



## POPE FRANCIS LESSON #1

### PRAY

“Prayer for me is always a prayer full of memory, of recollection, even the memory of my own history or what the Lord has done in his church or in a particular church. For me it is the memory of which St. Ignatius speaks in the First Week of the Exercises in the encounter with the merciful Christ crucified. And I ask myself: ‘What have I done for Christ? What am I doing for Christ? What should I do for Christ?’” - A Big Heart Open to God, p. 64

“We don’t just announce the good news, speak of faith, and welcome others. We also set ourselves on a pathway to grow in our faith. This isn’t mere growth in doctrinal understanding, but it is also learning a ‘way of love.’ Love is the heart of the Gospel. It fulfills the law. God gives us the gift of grace and it is only by grace that we can grow in love.” - The Joy of the Gospel, #160-162

“The Eucharist, an intimate meeting with Christ, who is truly present, is a priceless gift that nourishes our faith. It is Christ’s offering of supreme love, the life-giving gift of himself.” - The Light of Faith, #44

