



WE'VE KEPT  
THE LENTEN FAST FOR 40 DAYS.  
NOW IT'S TIME TO  
PRACTICE RESURRECTION.

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# CELEBRATING THE 50 DAYS OF EASTER

## Say YES!



## Keep it simple

- Light a candle
- Share a pot of tea or hot chocolate with marshmallows
- Set the table with a pretty tablecloth even though it will get dirty
- Put an extra dollop of sour cream on the beans and rice
- Practice the Pascal greeting in another language
- Read *just one more* story
- Breastfeed!

## Be merciful

- Come alongside and join the children in their work
- *Revel* in the mess of blanket forts and art supplies and muddy shoes
- Let mercy start with you. You have 50 days. Make a new beginning.

## Let joy be your strength

## Sing!

- Listen to music. Make music!
- Let music lighten the mood and ease the transitions.

## Take your time

- Collect your child with your gaze
- Be fast, but never hurry (thanks, John Wooden!)
- Take a nap together; cuddle

## Bring in the Green

- Sprout something
- Collect fresh flowers—oh the lilacs!
- Tend the garden

## Don't let perfectionism rule your days



## Let the common spill into the holy

- Bath time recalls our baptism
- Meals together recall the Eucharist
- Practice the laying on of hands with tickles, wrestling, back rubs, and hair brushing

## Pray

- With abandon, in expectation
- Using the [mama's prayer calendar](#)