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Fr. Danny Murphy – Third Sunday of Easter 2019 – May 05, 2019 First Eucharist 9:00am

Well, boys and girls, you know that every time you come to Mass at Holy Cross, you see Dr. Dan Kroger leading the music. The other day, to try to keep him humble, I said to him, I said, "Dr. Dan, anything you can do, I can do better, I can do anything better than you!" And that's true, except for one thing, Dan can sing better than I can. But, you can sing even better than he can sing. I am going to tell everybody, you are in for a treat because after they receive their First Holy Communion this morning, they are going to sing a song that will knock your socks off – you are in for a treat. Now, I can't sing nearly as well as you can, but I am going to sing a song for you now, because I think the words of this song are meant just for you. So try to listen to the words: "Jesus loves the little children, all the little children of the world, whether red and yellow, black or white, they are precious in his sight,

Jesus love the little children of the world." Isn't that a great song? Now, I am hoping that you went to bed early last night – but I really just hope that you're not sleepy, because when you're sleepy it is hard to remember stuff. And I am going to ask you to try to remember two very, very important things. And I am going to ask YOU to try to remember them because most adults have terrible memories. We tend to forget the things we should remember and remember the things we should forget. We adults tend to remember the griefs in life and forget the gifts in life. We tend to remember who hurt us and forget who help us. We tend to remember the awful and forget the awesome! Most adults have terrible memories, but you children have good memories. Try to remember two very important things. Here's the first one: Remember who you are. Now, I don't mean your name, how old you are, what school you attend. No, I want you to remember that each of you is God's delightful daughter or son! Each of you is! That's who you are, God's delightful daughter or son. Now that song that I sang to you, the first line is Jesus loves the little children, that is so true, but Jesus loves you even when you are no longer a little child. Jesus loves you even when you get older, he even loves you when you get very, very old – like your mom and dad! Jesus always loves you – through all the ages of your life. You are God's beloved, precious child. So, what's the first thing you should remember? Who you are! Now, here's the second thing that you should try to remember: Who other people are. If any of you has a brother or sister, would you raise your hand please? Oh, good, a lot of us. Let me come to you and ask you how many: four...two...three...one...two...now for

