



## Friends of Jesus and Mary Amigos de Jesús y María



Florida Center for Peace

July 2003  
Miami, FL

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

July will be dedicated to praise God, The Father, throughout his creation. It is summer vacation and what better opportunity to take our children out to have fun, while they learn about all the things God, the Father, created for us, by love. Emphasize the importance of prayer.

**Enclosed you will find some feasts and saints of this month:**

July 1	Blessed Junipero Serra	August 4	St. John Vianney
July 3	Saint Thomas	August 6	The Transfiguration
July 4	Independence Day	August 12	Saint Claire
July 14	St. Katerina Tekakwitha	August 15	The Assumption
July 16	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	August 22	Coronation of Mary
July 25	St. James Apostle	August 23	St. Rose of Lima
July 26	St. Joachim and Anne	August 27	St. Monica
July 29	St. Martha	<b>August 28</b>	<b>Workshop</b>
July 31	St. Ignatius Loyola	August 28	St. Augustine

**Enclosed Materials:**

- 1) July and August calendars.
- 2) Short stories and coloring pages.
- 3) Activities on: Creation – Prayer.
- 4) P R A Y Bingo
- 5) Saints for July and August.
- 6) Gospels for the month of July.

**Suggested Videos:**

1. Creation (SHC)
2. The Good Samaritan
3. Prayer (SHC)
4. Adam and Eve
5. Mary Magdalene

**There will be NO MATERIAL sent for the month of August.** *This will be a good time to let your imagination do the work, create your own material.*

Our next meeting will be August 29. Please come and share with us. Like always we will have two meetings. From 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

May God Bless You Always,

Friends of Jesus and Mary



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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	27	28	29	30	31		

**July 2003**

*Ex. 2: 2-5;  
2 Cor. 12: 7-10;  
Mc. 6: 1-6*

# Prophets are not welcome in their homeland

July 6: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Talk about the story

What does power represent to them? Who are some of the people they think of as important? Who are those who seem unimportant or insignificant to them? To whom do they listen willingly?

## You are there

Have you ever heard the adults around you reject someone because they thought that person was no good and had nothing important to say? Have you ever felt people didn't listen to you because they thought you had nothing to say? Do you feel sorry for Jesus, for leaving his town?



**Q:** When Jesus returned to his hometown, many people didn't appreciate what he had to say. So Jesus simply left to go to the other towns where he was welcome. What would you have done?

**Jesus, your friend, invites you:**

- >> People didn't listen to Jesus because they thought he had nothing new to say. Who do you listen to -and why?
- >> How well and how often do you listen to what Jesus wants to tell you?
- >> How well do you listen to those around you? Have you ever thought that some of these people weren't really very important? Why or why not?

## What am I going to do?

Speak to Jesus and tell him what is important to you. Tell him how you feel when people do no listen to you. Tell him what you would like to do this week:

>> For example: *I will listen to my mother as if it were your own voice, Jesus.*

>> For example: *I will listen to my little brother or sister.*

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## WORD SEARCH:

Find the following

hidden words in

Spanish and write a

sentence using them:

LISTEN, IMPORTANT,

WEAK, STRONG,

CLOSE, CARPENTER,

TOWN, REASONS,

DOORS, JESUS

I M P O R T A N T E  
S L U N O P T J S T  
E D E B I L E E R  
N G B S J S F S S E  
O Q L A C U U C U  
Z A O T D U R S U F  
A H U R S O P Q C B  
R E R E A D M H R  
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C A R P I N T E R O

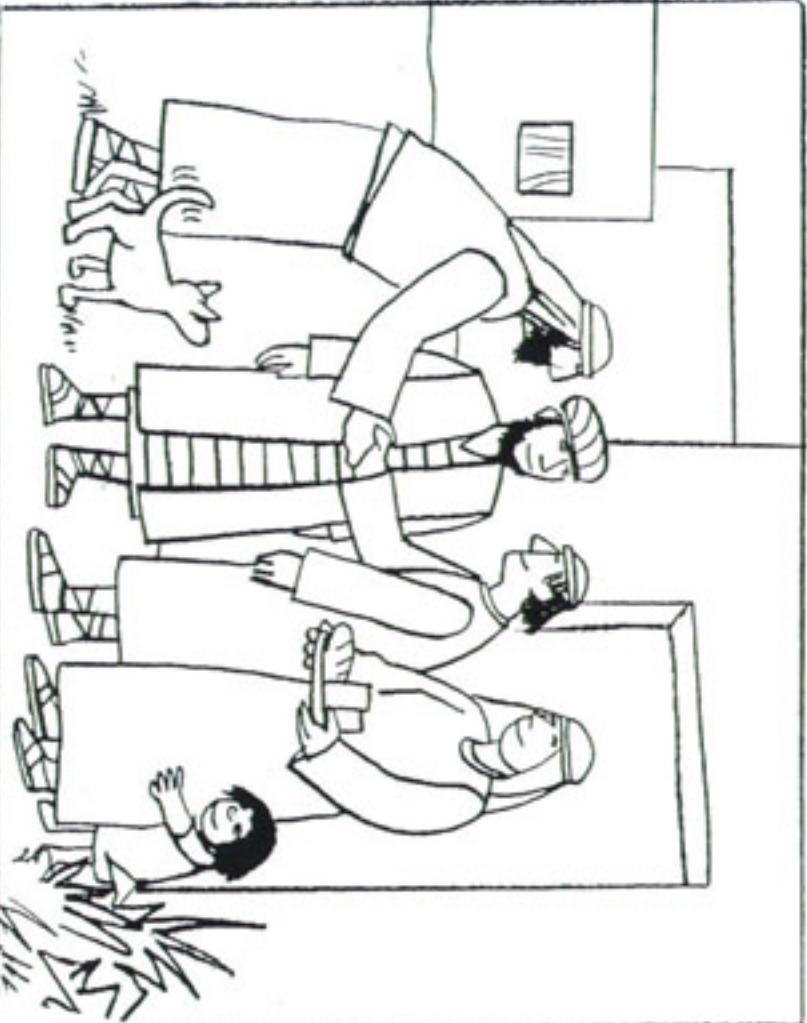
Am. 7: 12-15;  
Ef. 1: 3-14;  
Mc. 6: 7-13

# Go two by two

July 13: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Talk about the story**  
Do they like work as a team? Do they belong to a sports team at school? Why is it good to work as a team? If they had to go off as Jesus' disciples did, what would they need to survive? (television, telephones, toys....?)

**You are there**  
Do you prefer to do things yourself? What do you tell Jesus? What can't you do by yourself?



**Q:** When Jesus told his friends to go out and tell people about the love of God, he knew it would be easier to go out in teams of two instead of going out alone. Can you think of other things that are easier to do when you have at least two people?

**Jesus, your friend, invites you:**  
>> What good things have you received from God? Do they all consist of material belongings?  
>> Do you like to be on a team and work with others?  
>> Do you tell Jesus each night how your day has been? Do you tell him what has or hasn't gone well?

**What am I going to do?**  
Speak to Jesus and tell him about your week. Tell him what has gone very well. Tell him what did not go as you wanted. Ask him for help to do what you want this week:  
>> For example: *I will work on a project with someone in my class.*  
>> For example: *Each night I will tell Jesus what I have done during the day.*  
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When Jesus sent his friends out two-by-two, he was thinking about the benefits of teamwork. One of the ways we grow up learning about teamwork is by playing sports. Of all the sports represented below, circle the ones where people must play on a team.

Jer. 23: 1-6;  
Ej. 2:13-18;  
Mc. 6:30

# Jesus unites us

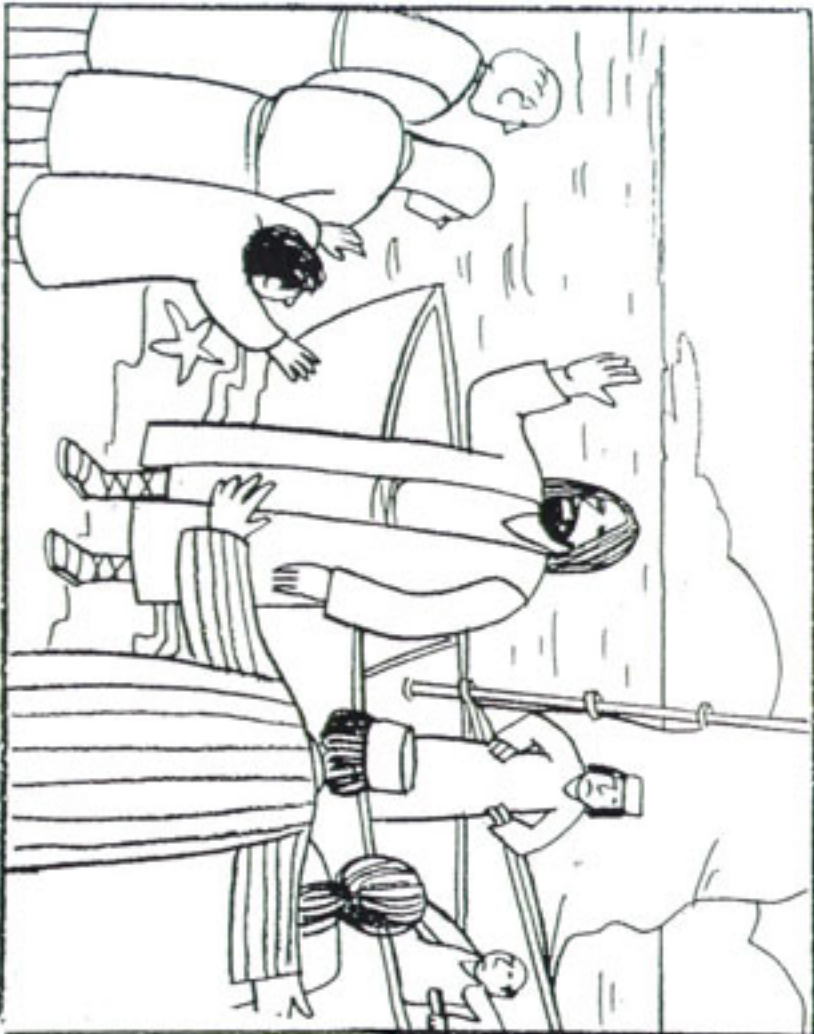
July 20: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Talk about the story

When have the children been upset by separation? Have they separated themselves from someone they loved because of a quarrel? How did that make them feel? What do they like to do when they are tired?

## You are there

Do you get tired that Jesus is always with people?



**Q:** Even though Jesus and his friends needed to rest after traveling to so many places and talking to so many people, Jesus refused to turn away the people who gathered to see him. Have you ever felt too tired to do something important?

## Jesus, your friend, invites you:

- >> Jesus wants his friends to have some time to rest. He wants to spend time with them. Do you spend some time each day talking to Jesus?
- >> Jesus wants us to be good shepherds to one another. Do you give advice and provide a good example for your younger brothers and sisters and friends? Do you ever remind them to study harder or to behave? Do you think you are a good friend?

## What am I going to do?

Speak to Jesus and tell him how you have helped someone this week. Ask him for the help to do what you want this week:

>> For example: *I will make up with someone I have quarreled with.*

>> For example: *I will encourage one of my friends to study harder.*

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## WORD SEARCH:

- ..... Find the following
  - ..... hidden words in
  - ..... Spanish and write a
  - ..... sentence using them:
  - ..... REST, PITY, BOAT,
  - ..... RESENT, TALK,
  - ..... BANQUET, PEACE,
  - ..... SHEPHERD,
  - ..... DIVISION
- .....
- A C O M P A R D I R
- B A N Q U E T S A L
- I G G H I J S N C N B
- O O R S I I U T A X A
- D I V I S I O N H H
- J L R P I T T E O R R
- V E R P A S T O R R
- P E B A R C A R L A
- N O P Z R C T U V R
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# Who will feed the crowds?

July 27: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Talk about the story

Have they ever been at a party where more people than expected arrived? Did it look as if there wasn't going to be enough food? What happened? Were there leftovers? When you share with others and everyone is satisfied, do you feel happier?

## You are there

Are you surprised to see so much food? What do you say?



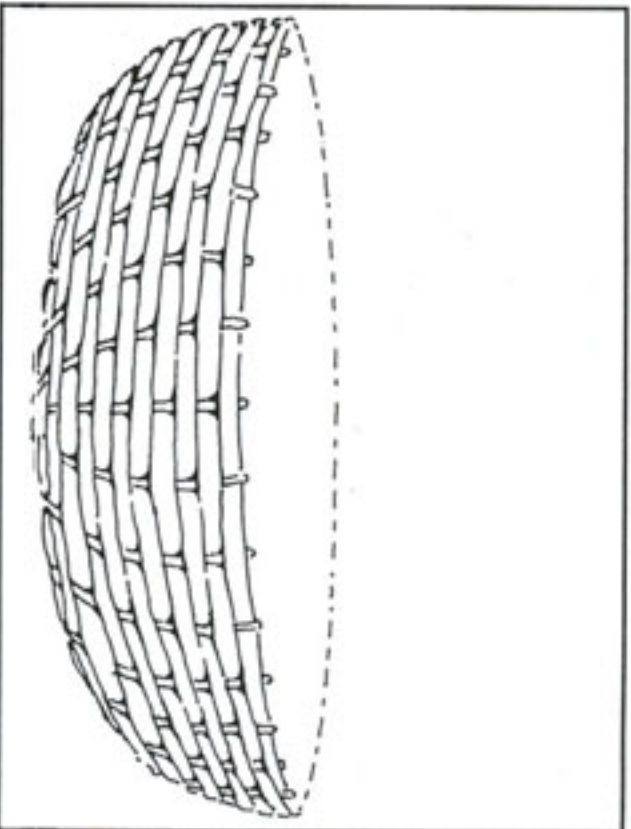
**Q:** One little boy shared all the food he had -and Jesus turned it into a miracle. Has anything like this ever happened to you? Did you ever share something that was small or unimportant and yet it caused something really good to happen?

## Jesus, your friend, invites you:

>> Jesus performs the miracle of multiplying bread and fish. He also touches the hearts of people and encourages them to share with others. What motivates you to share?  
>> The boy in this story had only a little food, and there were so many people. Yet, he gave it all away anyway. What do you have that you could also share with others?

## What am I going to do?

Speak to Jesus and tell him about the things you do each day that you would like to share. Tell him what you would like to do:  
>> For example: *I will be grateful for the many things God, my family, and teachers have given me.*  
>> For example: *I will think twice before I ask my parents for something I might not really need.*  
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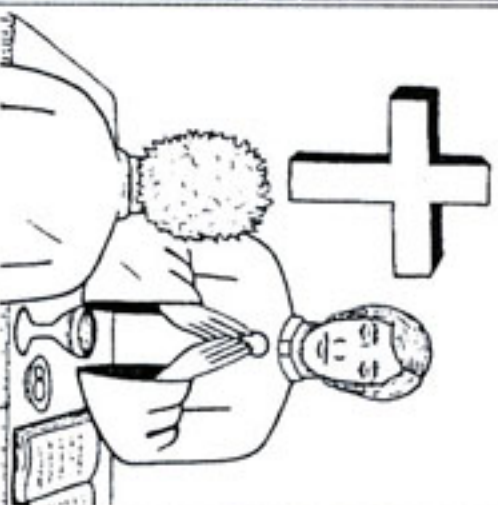


**What food would you offer?**  
In the basket above, draw the food you would offer Jesus if he needed your help to feed a crowd.

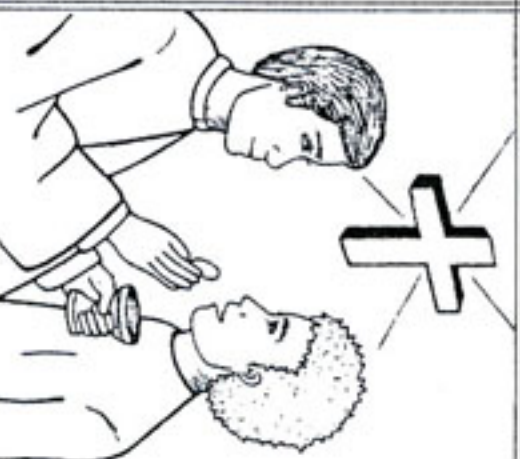
# Our Father



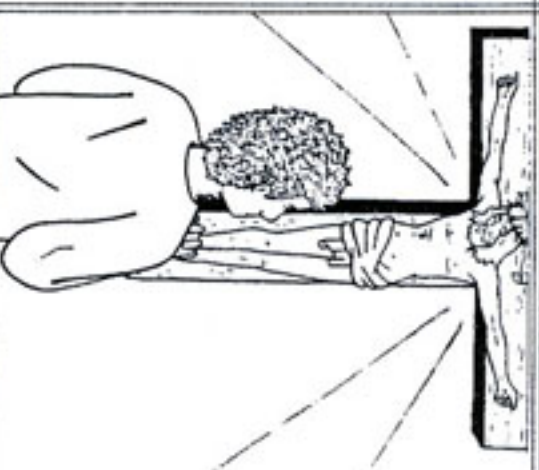
Our Father, Who art in heaven.



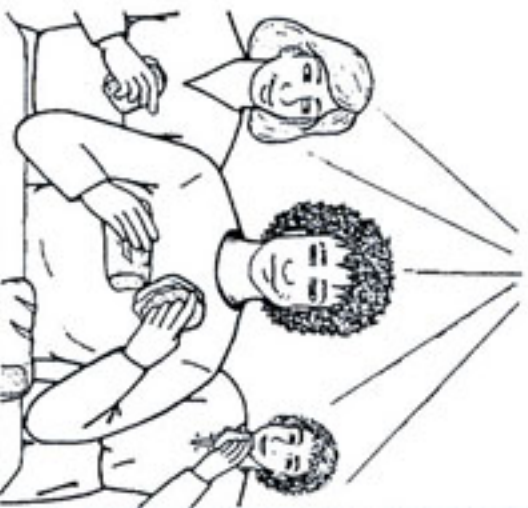
Hallowed be thy name;



Thy kingdom come;



Thy will be done on earth,  
as it is in heaven.



Gives us this day our daily bread;



And forgive our trespasses



As we forgive those who  
trespass against us.



And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

# Hail Mary



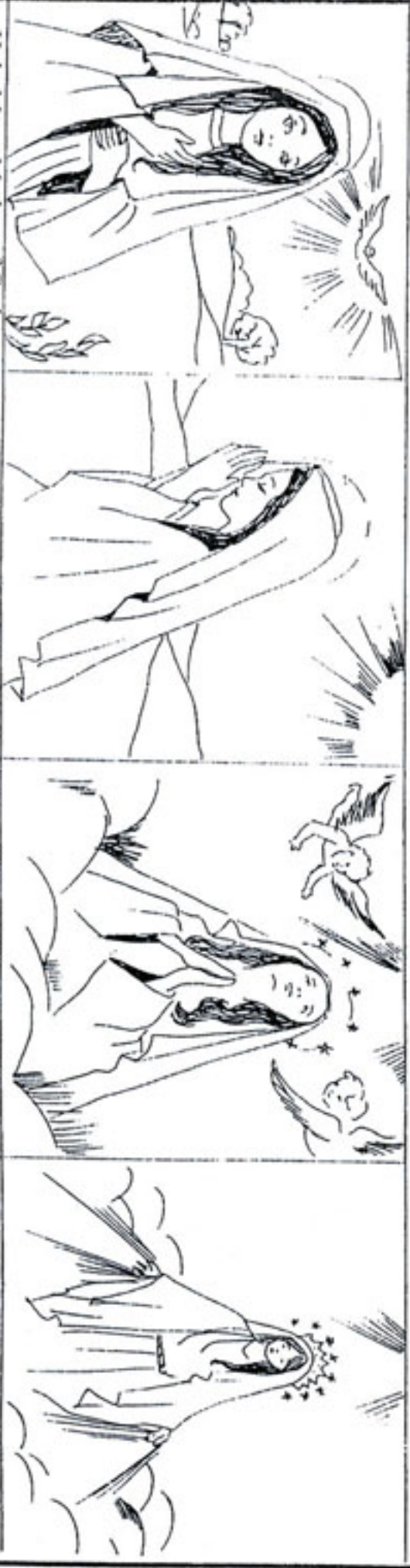
Hail Mary, full of grace.

The Lord is with thee;

Blessed are thou amongst women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb,

Jesus.



Holy Mary, Mother of God.

Pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.



**P****R****A****Y**


**Instructions:**

**Free Space:** Each player will write their own prayer in any one block they choose. This space will be marked as if it has already been called.

**From the Master List:** Each player will choose 4 sentences from each letter in P.R.A.Y. Cut and paste them in their proper column on your own sheet.

As the statements are called out, the leader marks it in his/her master list, and the players circle it on their board. The first person to get a completed straight row down, across or diagonally calls out "I Pray". The leader checks it with the master list, and if all is correct, that person is the winner.

The Winner: Can choose the next pattern to be played, for example "black out", or "L" shaped, etc.

# MASTER LIST –Today we heard that...

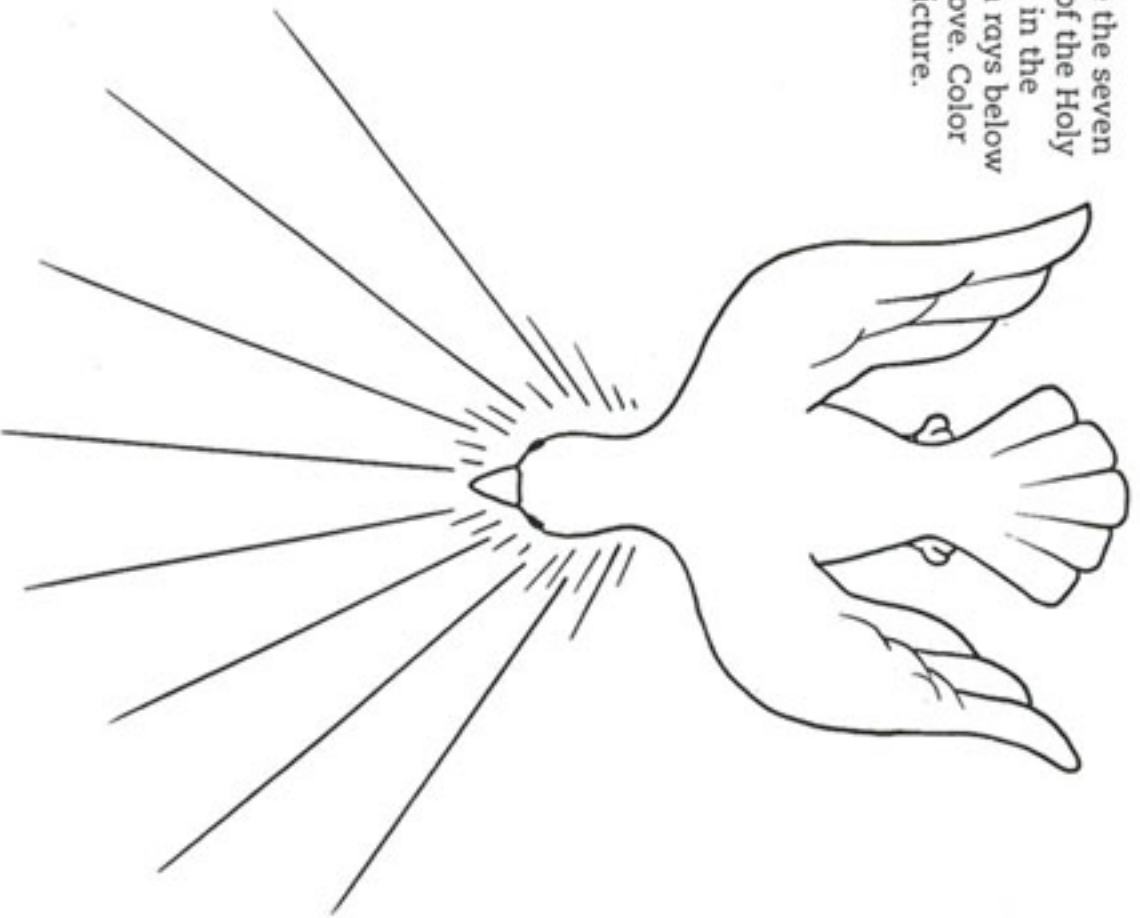
<b>P</b>	<b>P</b> Prayer is a gift.	<b>P</b> Prayer is talking to God.	<b>P</b> We can say, "Thank you, God".	<b>P</b> We can be friends with God.	<b>P</b> God says: "I love you."	<b>P</b> In prayer we can share our thoughts.
	<b>P</b> In prayer we can share our feelings.	<b>P</b> In prayer we can share what we do.	<b>P</b> We can pray from our hearts.	<b>P</b> God talks to us in prayer.	<b>P</b> The perfect way to pray: JUST PRAY.	<b>P</b> Glory to the Father.
<b>R</b>	<b>R</b> Only we can speak to God.	<b>R</b> God has loved us always.	<b>R</b> God loved us first.	<b>R</b> I love you, God.	<b>R</b> God is interested in everything we do.	<b>R</b> God is never too busy for us.
	<b>R</b> Lord, I am here, I am listening	<b>R</b> God says: I want you to be close to me.	<b>R</b> God says: I have much to tell you.	<b>R</b> We can pray anywhere.	<b>R</b> I like to be with Jesus.	<b>R</b> Glory to the Son.
<b>A</b>	<b>A</b> God does not have ears.	<b>A</b> God does not have a body.	<b>A</b> God is not limited.	<b>A</b> God is greater than we are.	<b>A</b> We cannot hear everyone at once.	<b>A</b> God can hear everyone individually.
	<b>A</b> God can hear us anywhere.	<b>A</b> God can hear us anytime.	<b>A</b> Jesus prayed to God His Father.	<b>A</b> We can pray anytime.	<b>A</b> Fill me with your word.	<b>A</b> Glory to the Holy Spirit.
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b> Jesus was asked to heal the sick.	<b>Y</b> Jesus answers prayers.	<b>Y</b> Jesus prayed spontaneously.	<b>Y</b> Scripture tells us how Jesus prayed.	<b>Y</b> We can pray like Jesus.	<b>Y</b> Jesus help me be good today.
	<b>Y</b> We can pray publicly in church.	<b>Y</b> Pray when we celebrate the Eucharist.	<b>Y</b> We also pray by singing God's praises.	<b>Y</b> Walking hand in hand with my Lord.	<b>Y</b> Living in the Light of the Lord.	<b>Y</b> Amen.

# We Are

## Members of the Church

The Holy Spirit gives us gifts through the sacraments. These gifts are called the **gifts of the Holy Spirit**. They help us grow in faith and love.

Write the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit in the seven rays below the dove. Color the picture.



## What will you do with your time in the summer?

God gives each of us many gifts. Three very special gifts are our time, our talent, and our treasures. Draw a picture of how you can share your time, talent, and treasure with the Church community.

### TIME

How can you give your time to someone who needs it?

### TALENT

What are your special talents?

### TREASURES

What are some things you have to share with others?

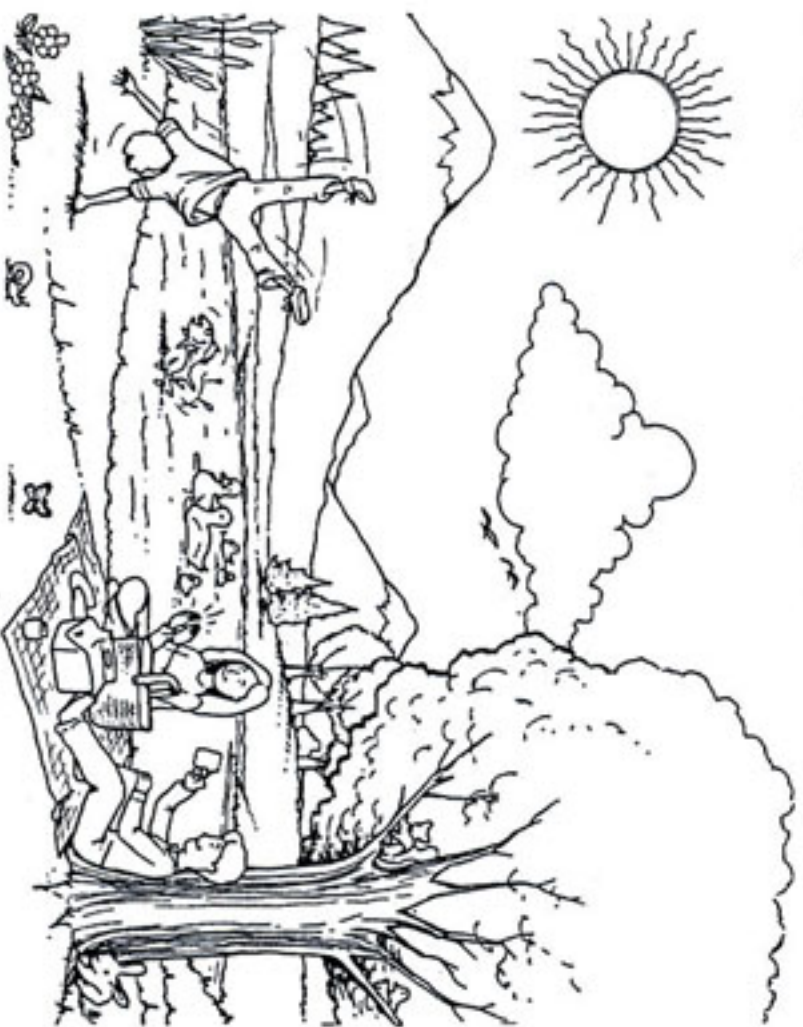
# We Meet God

God loves everything he has made. God loves all the plants and trees. God loves all the animals. And God loves you.

God cares for all of his creation. God cares for you. God wants you to care, too.

God gave you many gifts. God wants you to use your gifts. God wants you to love others. God wants you to care for others.

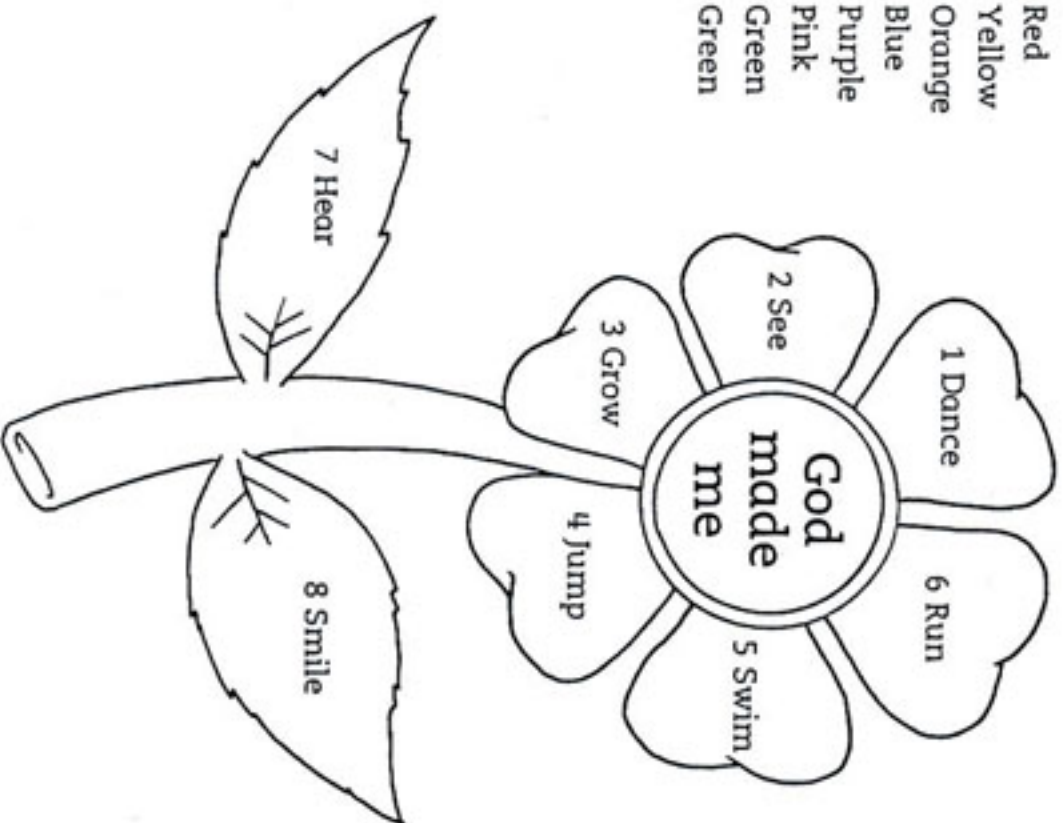
What gifts can you see in this picture?



# Gifts from God

Color all the things you are able to do.

- 1 = Red
- 2 = Yellow
- 3 = Orange
- 4 = Blue
- 5 = Purple
- 6 = Pink
- 7 = Green
- 8 = Green



Life is a special gift.

It is wonderful to be alive.

# July's Saints: Can you guess who we are?

1. She loved Jesus very much and followed him to the cross. She stood with His mother and Saint John at the foot of the cross. She is the first person Jesus appeared to on Easter morning.



2. They were the grandparents of Jesus and the father and mother of Mary, God's mother. They taught Mary her prayers when she was small and loved her very much.



3. He and his friends said that they would go anywhere in the world for God's glory. They called themselves "companions of Jesus" (Jesuits) and today they are teachers and missionaries all over the world.



4. She was a Mohawk Indian girl who was baptized by the missionaries. They called her "lily of the Mohawks" because of her love for Jesus and her ways of peace.



**SAINT AUGUSTINE**

turned back to God's ways and discovered how wonderful God is. He wrote and spoke of this goodness and his love for God. He said that to stand with God is to live forever.



**August 28**

**My Prayer**

Loving God, your ways are good and wonderful. I want to tell of your love and to stand with you forever. Amen.

**SAINT MONICA**

was a mother who tried to give her children the best education so that they would use their gifts for God. Her son Augustine turned from God's ways. She made her tears and sadness a prayer for his return to God.



**August 27**

**My Prayer**

God, sometimes I disappoint my parents and you. Help me to listen to them and to be loyal to you. Amen.

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

July 16



## THE SCAPULAR IS A SIGN OF MARY

One of the signs in the tradition of the church from many centuries ago is the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It is a sign approved by the church and by the Carmelite Order as an external sign of love for Mary, of the trust her children have in her and of commitment to live like her.

The word scapular indicates a form of clothing which monks wore when they were working.

With the passage of time, people began to give symbolic meaning to it: the cross to be borne everyday as disciples and followers of Christ. In some religions, such as the Carmelites, the scapular turned into a sign of their way of life. The Scapular came to symbolize the special dedication of Carmelites to Mary, the Mother of God, and to express trust in her motherly protection as well as the desire to be like her in her commitment to Christ and to others. Thus it became a sign of Mary.

## Some Practical Rules

- > People are enrolled in the Scapular only once, by a priest or authorized person.
- > The scapular can be replaced afterwards by a medal which has on one side the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and on the other, the image of Mary.
- > The scapular holds us to live as authentic Christians in line with teaching the Gospel, to receive the sacraments, to profess our special devotion to the Blessed Virgin, which should be expressed each day, at least by saying the Hail Mary three times.

## Short form of giving the Scapular

Receive this Scapular, a sign of your special relationship with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, whom you pledge to imitate.

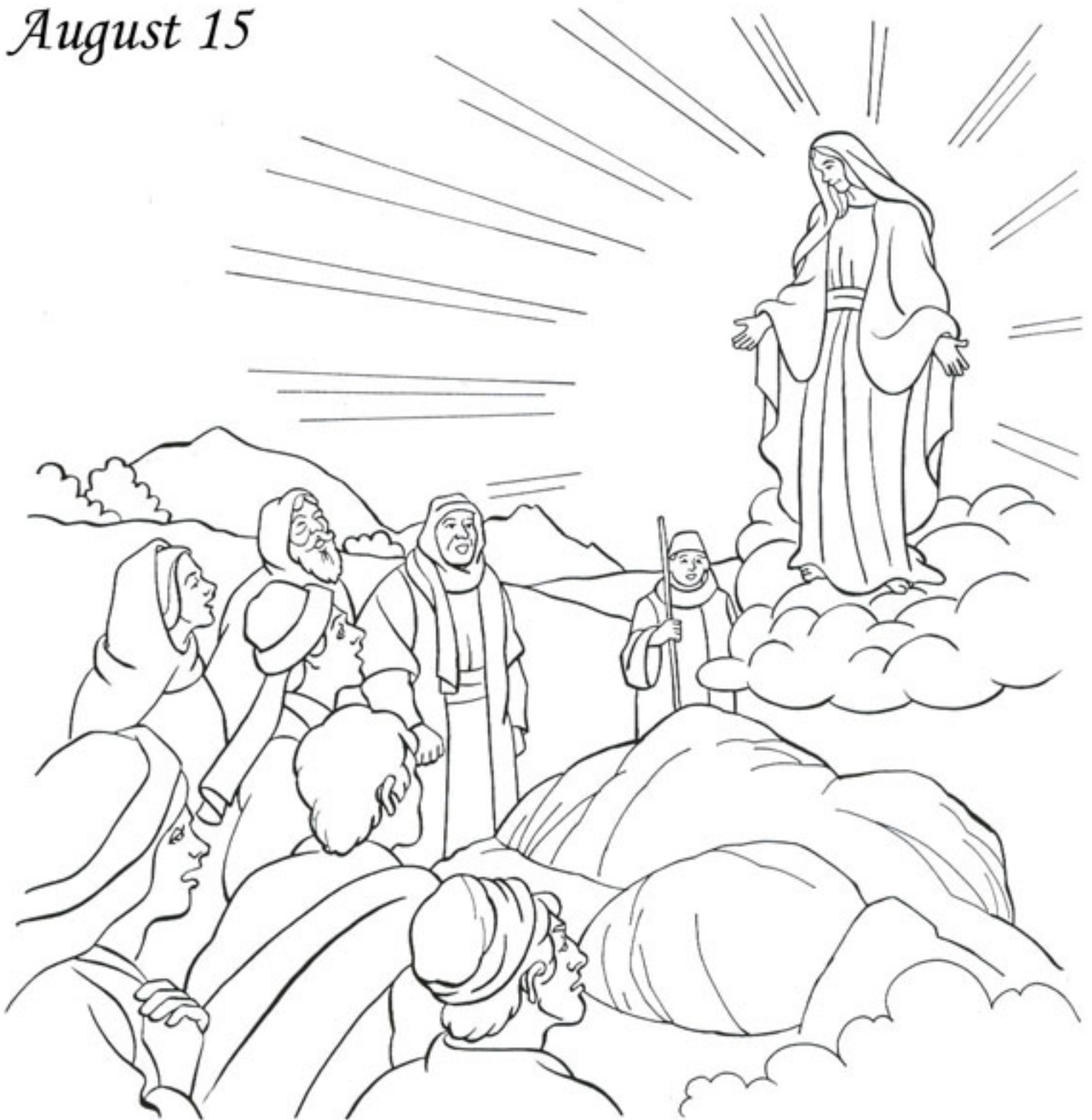
May it be a reminder to you of your dignity as a Christian, in serving others and imitating Mary. Wear it as a sign of her protection and of belonging to the family of Carmel, voluntarily doing the will of God and devoting yourself to building a world true to his plan of community, justice and peace.



# FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY

Mary is Assumed into Heaven

*August 15*



Because Jesus loved his mother so much she was taken to heaven body and spirit when she died. From heaven she cares for us.





*The Transfiguration*

*August 6*

*August 22*

*Mary, Our Queen*

We can think of today's feast as connected with Mary's Assumption, which we celebrated on August 15. Today we think of Mary with her Son in heaven. She is there with her body as well as her soul.

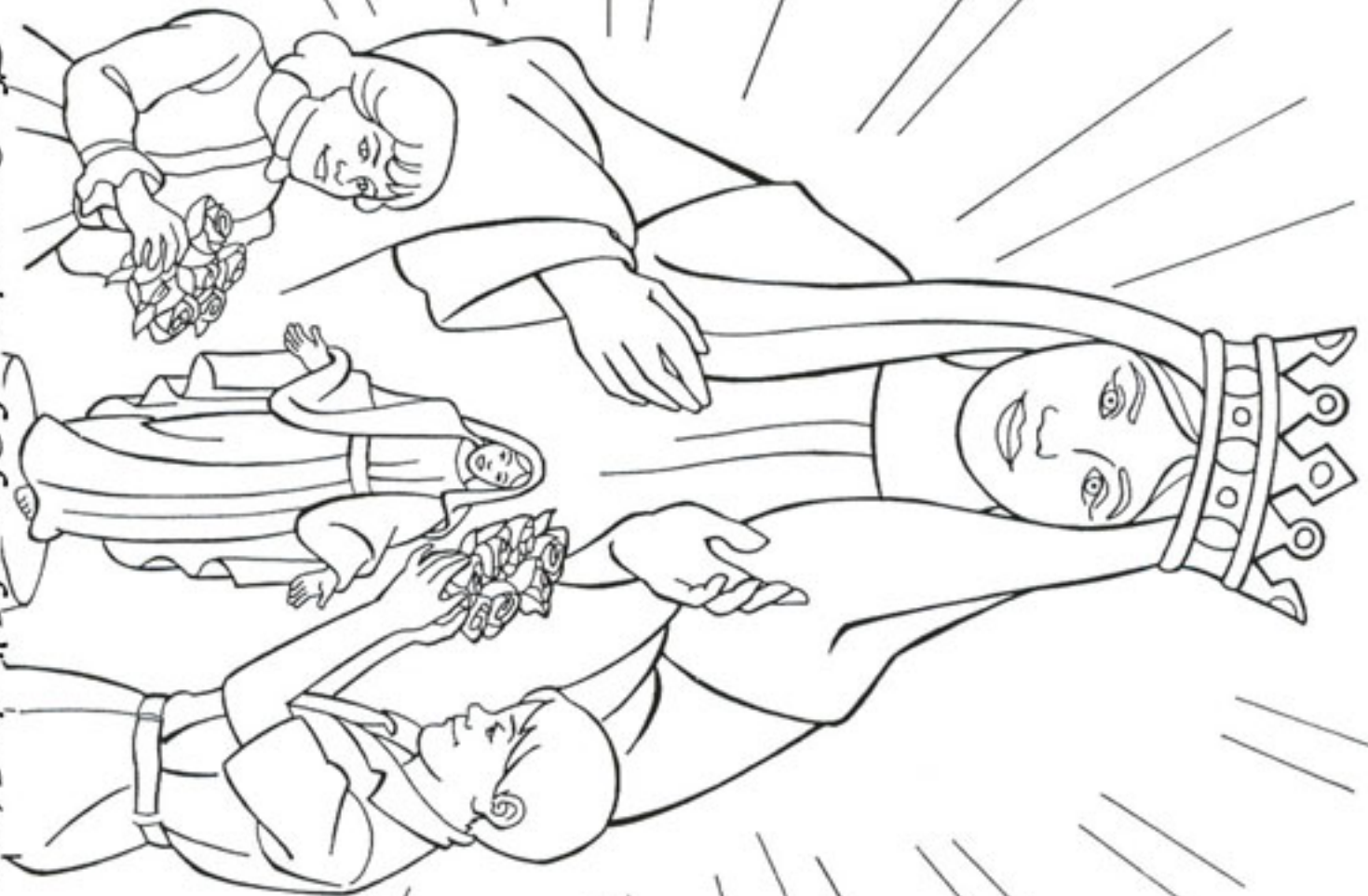
Even though governments today are often democracies, we can still understand the importance of kings and queens in the history of many countries. A good queen was greatly loved and served with joy. That is the kind of queen Mary, our Mother, is. She is a kind and loving queen. She is our mother and teacher too.

As our Mother, Mary takes care of us. We never have to be ashamed to ask her for anything. She will give us spiritual gifts. She will help us with our physical needs. She is also our teacher, because she left us examples of how to be true disciples of Jesus. If we invite Mary to be our queen, she will teach us many wonderful things about the life of Jesus in us. She will take us to her Son.

We can honor Mary everyday in several ways. We can whisper a Hail Mary when we are walking along or doing a chore. We can spend some quiet time in our room or another location and say the Rosary. We can keep a little statue or picture of Mary near our bed to remind us to honor her with prayer.

This is the way to make Mary the center and queen of our hearts. We can say the Hail Mary often throughout the day:

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*



## *The Crowning of Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Jesus crowns Mary his mother, Queen of Heaven and Earth.*

*She is Queen of the Universe and of our hearts.*