



# Friends of Jesus and Mary

## Amigos de Jesús y María

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**Florida Center for Peace**

**March 2013**  
**Miami, Florida**

### **Dear Brothers and Sisters:**

The season of Lent continues in March. Lent is a time to grow in the love for Jesus. The Fridays of Lent are special, they remind us, of Jesus death for us. For this reason we fast and do abstinence. Try to pray the Station of the Cross. Do little sacrifices with children of the prayers groups.

### **Enclosed you will find the Feasts and Saints of the month**

March 03      Catherine Drexel  
March 17      Saint Patrick  
March 22      Saint Isabel  
March 23      Leader's Workshop

### **Materials and Activities for the month**

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| a) Calendar and Meditation on the Sunday Gospel | f) Saint Patrick           |
| b) Activity of the Third Sunday of Lent         | g) Palm Sunday             |
| c) Eucharist                                    | h) Saint Joseph            |
| d) The table of the Lord                        | i) Marriage – Holy Orders  |
| e) Forgiveness                                  | j) A Basket of Good Wishes |

### **Suggested Vides (All available in the video club)**

- 1) Easter Story
- 2) Saint Patrick
- 3) Penance (SHC)
- 4) Merciful love of Jesus

**May God Bless you always,**

**Friends of Jesus and Mary Committee**

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## March 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <b>First Friday</b> Gn 37, 3-4,12-13a Psalm 104 Mt 21, 33-43	2 <b>First Saturday</b> Mic7, 14-15 Psalm 102 Lk 15, 1-3. 11-32
<b>III Sunday of Lent</b> Ex 3, 1-8a. 13-15 Psalm 102 1 Co 10, 1-6	4 2 K 5, 1-15 Psalm 41 Lk 4, 24-30	5 Dt 3, 25-34 Psalm 24 Mt 18, 21-35	6 Dt 4, 1. 5-9 Psalm 147 Mt 5, 17-19	7 Jr 7, 23-28 Psalm 94 Lk 11, 14-23	8 <b>St John of God</b> Ho 14, 2-10 Psalm 80 Mk 12, 28b-34	9 Ho 6, 1-6 Psalm 50 Lk 18, 9-14
<b>IV Sunday of Lent</b> Js 5, 9a 10-12 Psalm 33 2Co 5, 17-21 Lk 15, 1-3.11-32	11 Is 65, 17-21 Psalm 29 Jn 4, 43-54	12 Ez 47, 1-9.12 Psalm 45 Jn 5, 1-3a. 5-16	13 <b>St Humberto</b> Is 49, 8-15 Psalm 144 Jn 5, 17-30	14 <b>St Matilde</b> Ex 32, 7-14 Psalm 105 Jn 5, 31-47	15 <b>St. Luisa de Marillac</b> Ws 2, 1a. 12-22 Psalm 33 Jn 7, 1-2. 10. 25-30	16 Jr 11, 18-20 Psalm 7 Jn 7, 40-53
<b>V Sunday of Lent</b> Is 43, 16-21 Psalm 125 Phil 3, 8-14 Jn 8, 1-11	18 Dt 13, 1.9. 15-17 Psalm 22 Jn 8, 12-20	19 <b>St Joseph</b> 2 S 7, 4-5a Psalm 88 Ro 4, 13	20 <b>St Daniel</b> Dn 3, 14-20 Psalm/Dt 3, 52-56 Jn 8, 31-42	21 <b>St Maria Francisca</b> Gn 17, 3-9 Psalm 104 Jn 8, 51-59	22 <b>Sta. Juana Isabel</b> Jr 20, 10-13 Psalm 17, 2-7 Jn 10, 31-42	23 Ez 37, 21-28 Psalm/Jr 31, 10-13 Jn 11, 45-56
24 <b>Palm Sunday</b> Lk 22, 14-23, 56	25 <b>Holy Monday</b> Is 42, 1-7 Psalm 26, 1-3 Jn 12, 1-11	26 <b>Holy Tuesday</b> Is 49, 1-6 Psalm 70 Jn 13, 21-33	27 <b>Holy Wednesday</b> Is 50, 4-9a Psalm 68 Mt 26, 14-25	28 <b>Holy Thrusday</b> Ex 12, 1-8 Psalm 115 1Co 11, 23-26 Jn 13, 1-15	29 <b>Holy Friday</b> Is 52, 13-53 Psalm 30 Hb 4, 14-16 Jn 18 1-19	30 <b>Holy Saturday</b> Gn 1 Psalm 103 Lk 24, 1-12
31 <b>Easter Sunday</b> Acts 10: 34a,37-43; 1 Co 5:6b-8; Jn 20: 1-9	NOTES:					

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***Friends of Jesus and Mary***  
***Third Sunday of Lent, March 7, 2013***

***Readings: Exodus 3, 1-8a.13-15; Psalm 102; 1Corinthians 10, 1-6.10-12; Luke 13, 1-9***

***Turn from your Sins***

At that time some people were there who told Jesus about the Galileans whom Pilate had killed while they were offering sacrifices to God. Jesus answered them, "Because those Galileans were killed in that way, do you think it proves that they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No indeed! And I tell you that if you do not turn from your sins, you will all die as they did. What about those eighteen people in Siloam who were killed when the tower fell on them? Do you suppose this proves that they were worse than all the other people living in Jerusalem? No indeed! And I tell you that if you do not turn from your sins, you will all die as they did."

Then Jesus told them this parable: "There was once a man who had a fig tree growing in his vineyard. He went looking for figs on it but found none. So he said to his gardener, 'Look, for three years I have been coming here looking for figs on this fig tree and I haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it go on using up the soil?' But the gardener answered, 'Leave it alone, sir, just one more year; I will dig around it and put in some fertilizer. Then if the tree bears figs next year, so much the better; if not, then you can have it cut down.'" (Luke 13, 1-9)

***Reflection***

God gives us all kinds of opportunities to do good, but we cannot remain inactive for too long. We are called to produce good deeds of service for others. What do you think Jesus was trying to say by telling this story? What does the tree represent? Could it be you? What kinds of things do their parents constantly ask them to do? Why do they have to repeat these requests? When their parents or teachers are about to punish them for something, do they ask for another chance? Do they usually get it? Are they patient with their younger brothers or sisters? Are you willing to give someone who has upset or hurt you a second chance? Share.

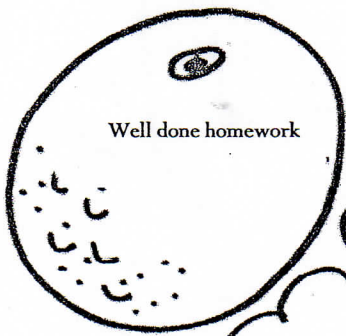
***Activity***

Prepare a construction paper tree. The tree should have leaves but no fruit. Ask them to draw and cut out fruit. On the fruit they would write what they will do (helping mother, well-done homework, listening better, visiting someone that is lonely). As they place their fruits on the tree they express their commitment for the week. And at the same time the rest respond: "Thank you Jesus for being patient with me."

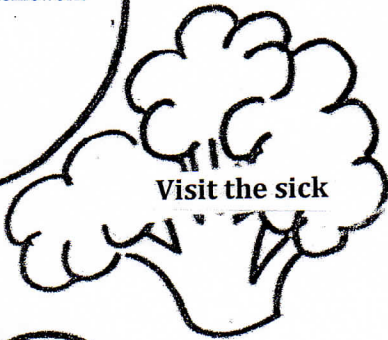
***Prayer***

Lord, you are endlessly patient with us. Help us produce good fruits. Teach us to be understanding and patient with one another. Amen.

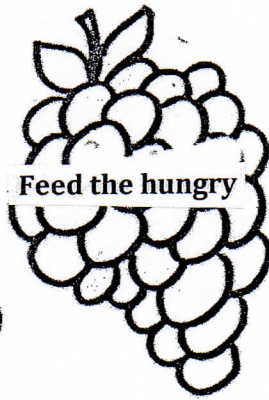




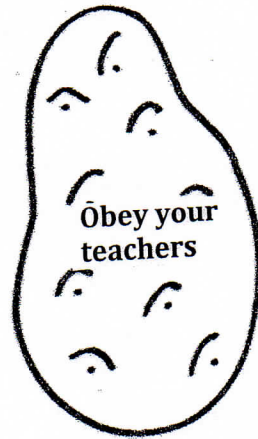
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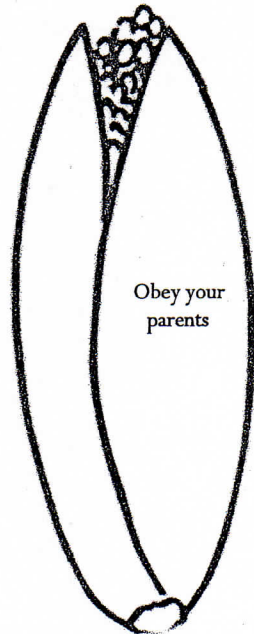
Visit the sick



Feed the hungry



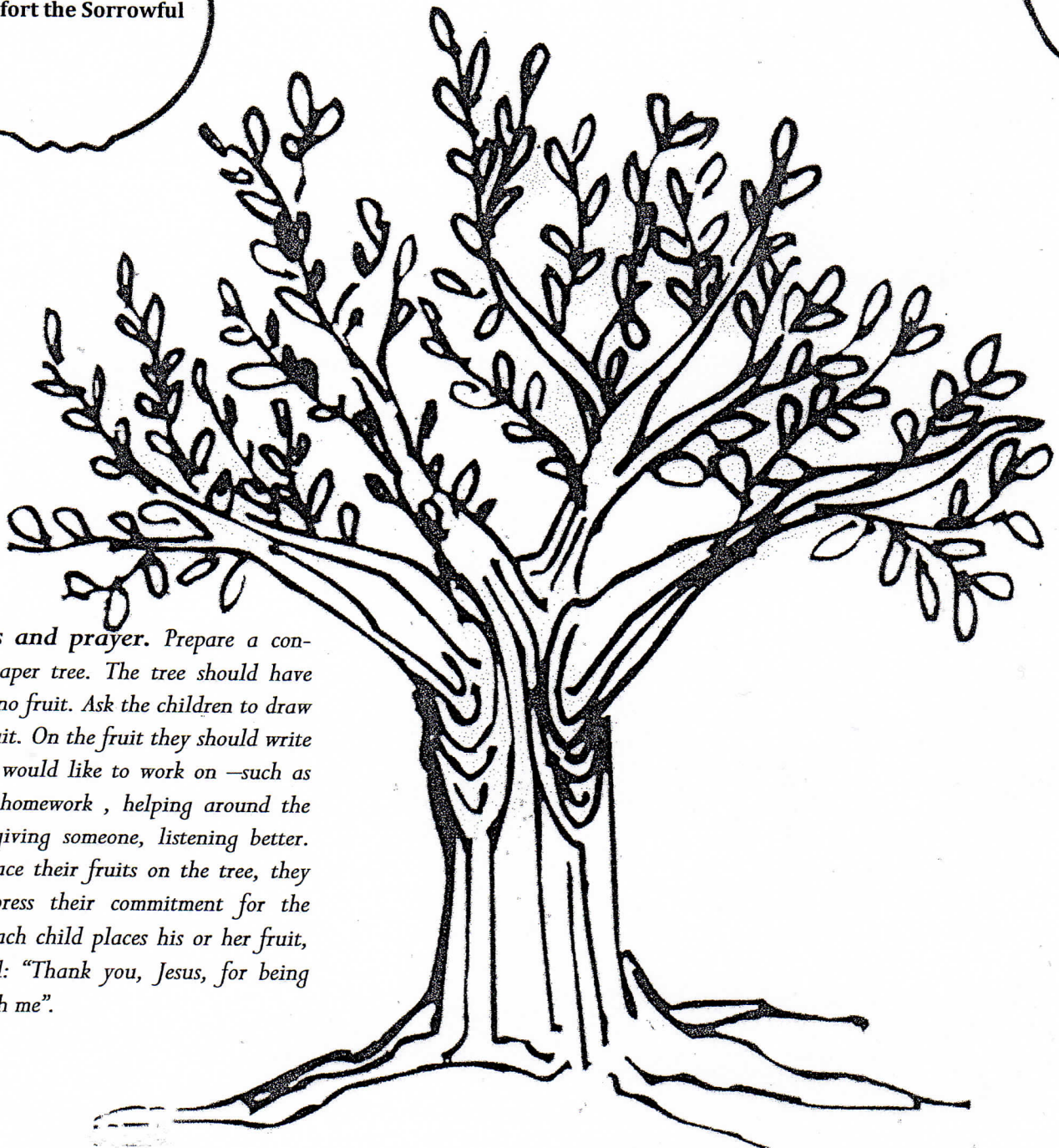
Obey your teachers



Obey your parents

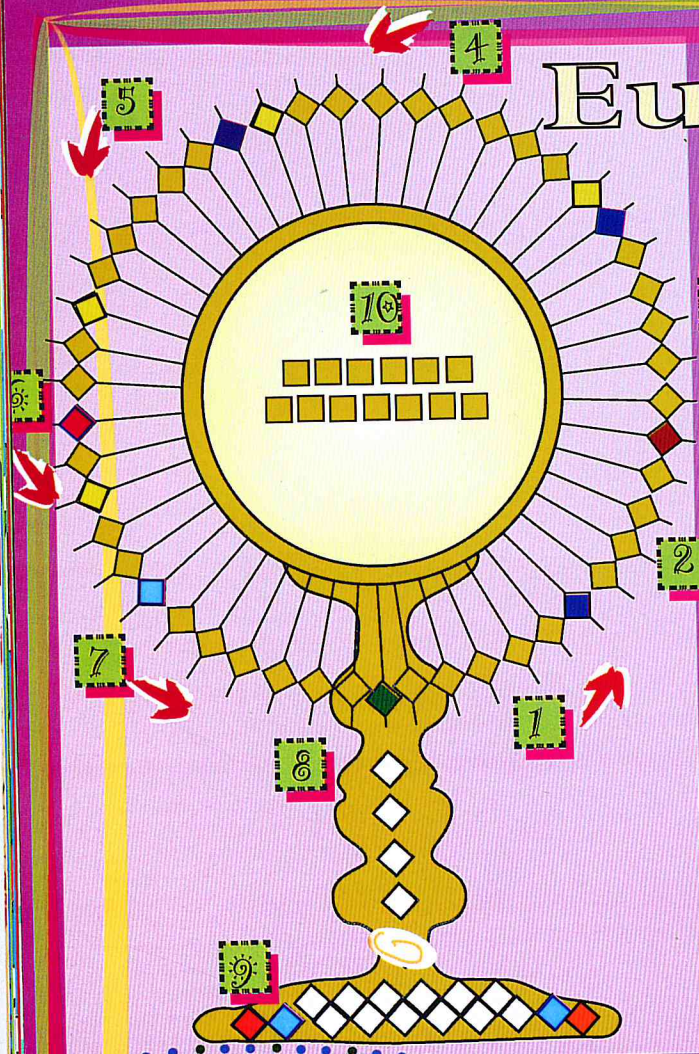


Comfort the Sorrowful



*Activities and prayer. Prepare a construction-paper tree. The tree should have leaves but no fruit. Ask the children to draw and cut fruit. On the fruit they should write what they would like to work on —such as well done homework , helping around the house, forgiving someone, listening better. As they place their fruits on the tree, they should express their commitment for the week. As each child places his or her fruit, all respond: "Thank you, Jesus, for being patient with me".*

# Eucharist



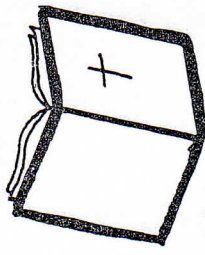
There are many things that God gives us which we have gotten used to without realizing their greatness. One of these things is the Eucharist. Jesus complained to Saint Margaret Mary of the ingratitude of men towards Him in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. And to St. Veronica He said, "Few know Me and even fewer love Me." Do you know all that Jesus does for you in the Eucharist? To prove it, write the answers to the questions in the corresponding boxes following the direction of the arrows.

1. Who is present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist?
2. Many times we call the Eucharist the Sacrament of \_\_\_\_\_ because in this sacrament Jesus shows us how much He loves us, by staying with us.
3. The souls that are in the state of \_\_\_\_\_ are able to receive the Eucharist.
4. The priest has to \_\_\_\_\_ the bread and wine in order for it to become the Body and Blood of Christ.
5. What was the Jewish feast during which Jesus instituted the Eucharist?
6. Jesus said that He is the Bread of \_\_\_\_\_ and He promised that if we eat His Flesh we will live forever.
7. Jesus gives us the Eucharist through someone. Who?
8. If you still don't love Jesus in the Eucharist you have to ask, who should you ask for help? Hint: She is the best Mother, Model, and Teacher ever. Do you know who she is?
9. What does the word Eucharist mean?
10. What is the feast called on which we celebrate the Body and Blood of Jesus?

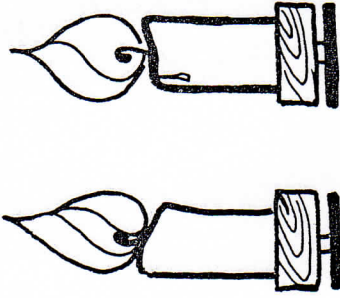
# The Table of the Lord



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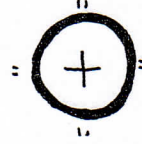
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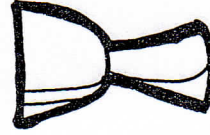
CANDLES



CRUCIFIX



HOST



CHALICE

Jesus is really present in every Eucharistic celebration. Look at the box on the right and draw those same things on the altar where they belong. Your parents or teacher will help you. Then color the picture.



## ***Friends of Jesus and Mary***

***Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2013***

***Readings: Isaiah 43, 16-21; Psalm 125; Philipians 3, 8-14; John 8, 1-11***

### ***The Woman Caught in Adultery***

Then everyone went home, but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Early the next morning he went back to the temple. All the people gathered around him, and he sat down and began to teach them. The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman who had been caught committing adultery, and they made her stand before them all. "Teacher," they said to Jesus, "this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. In our law Moses commanded that such a woman must be stoned to death. Now, what do you say?" They said this to trap Jesus, so that they could accuse him. But he bent over and wrote on the ground with his finger. As they stood there asking him questions, he straightened up and said to them, "Whichever one of you who has committed no sin may throw the first stone at her." Then he bent over again and wrote on the ground. When they heard this, they all left, one by one, the older ones first. Jesus was left alone, with the woman still standing there. He straightened up and said to her, "Where are they? Is there no one left to condemn you?" "No one, sir," she answered. "Well, then," Jesus said, "I do not condemn you either. Go, but do not sin again. (John 8, 1-11)

### ***Reflection***

It is easy to criticize and condemn others but when we see our own sinfulness, we must take shelter in the mercy of God. All the things of the world are nothing in comparison with the great riches of being with Jesus Christ. What do you think Jesus was writing in the dirt? What would you have done if you had a stone? Do you think the woman deserved to be punished? How do you think she felt when she left? Do you think she sinned again? Jesus forgives and invites us to stop doing wrong and bad things. Do you need forgiveness for something now? Are you willing not to sin again? Share.

### ***Activity***

Prepare a box with a sign that reads "New Beginning." Write on it this phrase of the "Our Father" "Forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Cut an incision on the top, ask them to write the name of a person they need to forgive and place it on the box. When everyone has placed the paper on the box the Our Father is prayed for the persons whose names are in the box and for each one of them.

### ***Prayer***

Lord, sometimes we judge the people around us harshly and are not able to acknowledge our own sinfulness. But You forgive us, regardless of what we have done. Give us understanding. Give us the strength to start on a new path with you. Amen.





# Forgiveness

You are now a Good News Staff Writer. Print your name on the line below and think of what the Forgiving Father would have answered to these questions; then record it in the space below each question.

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## GOOD NEWS!

Father, Son Reunited

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Good News Staff Writer



After a tragic and long separation, father and son were reunited at their country estate, where all the friends and relatives gathered to celebrate the return of the prodigal son. We interviewed the Forgiving Father who issued the invitation to nearly a thousand guests. He was overjoyed as he answered our questions with tears of happiness in his eyes. The text of the interview follows:

What was the hardest for you about your son's leaving home?

After he took his share of the estate and left you, why did you keep hoping that your son would return?

When your son only asked to be a servant, why did you take him back? Why did you give him an expensive ring and clothes and the super banquet?





## ***Friends of Jesus and Mary***

### ***Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 10, 2013***

***Readings: Joshua 5, 9a. 10-12; Psalm 33; 2Corinthians 5, 17-21; Luke 15, 1-3.11-32***

#### ***The Parable the Lost Son***

One day when many tax collectors and other outcasts came to listen to Jesus, the Pharisees and the teachers of the law started grumbling, "This man welcomes outcasts and even eats with them!" So Jesus told them this parable: Jesus went on to say, "There was once a man who had two sons. The younger one said to him, 'Father, give me my share of the property now.' So the man divided his property between his two sons. After a few days the younger son sold his part of the property and left home with the money. He went to a country far away, where he wasted his money in reckless living. He spent everything he had. Then a severe famine spread over that country, and he was left without a thing. So he went to work for one of the citizens of that country, who sent him out to his farm to take care of the pigs. He wished he could fill himself with the bean pods the pigs ate, but no one gave him anything to eat. At last he came to his senses and said, 'All my father's hired workers have more than they can eat, and here I am about to starve! I will get up and go to my father and say, 'Father, I have sinned against God and against you. I am no longer fit to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired workers.' So he got up and started back to his father. He was still a long way from home when his father saw him; his heart was filled with pity, and he ran, threw his arms around his son, and kissed him. 'Father,' the son said, 'I have sinned against God and against you. I am no longer fit to be called your son.' But the father called to his servants. 'Hurry!' he said. 'Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. Then go and get the prize calf and kill it, and let us celebrate with a feast! For this son of mine was dead, but now he is alive; he was lost, but now he has been found.' And so the feasting began. In the meantime the older son was out in the field. On his way back, when he came close to the house, he heard the music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him, 'What's going on?' 'Your brother has come back home,' the servant answered, 'and your father has killed the prize calf, because he got him back safe and sound.' The older brother was so angry that he would not go into the house; so his father came out and begged him to come in. But he spoke back to his father, 'Look, all these years I have worked for you like a slave, and I have never disobeyed your orders. What have you given me? Not even a goat for me to have a feast with my friends! But this son of yours wasted all your property on prostitutes, and when he comes back home, you kill the prize calf for him!' 'My son,' the father answered, 'you are always here with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be happy, because your brother was dead, but now he is alive; he was lost, but now he has been found.'" (Luke 15, 1-3, 11-32)

#### ***Reflection***

The gospel of this week tells us about the merciful kindness of God, who knows our weaknesses and is always willing to forgive us. If you were the younger son, how would you feel when you got home? If you were the father, what would you say to your son? If you were the older brother, what would you say to your younger brother? Think of something bad for which you thought you wouldn't be forgiven. Did you ask for forgiveness? How did you feel when you were forgiven? Share.

#### ***Activity***

Read and act out the story of the Prodigal son. On the next page you also will find an activity.

#### ***Prayer***

Jesus, give us a humble heart to recognize when we are wrong. Help us to return to God. Give us a generous heart to celebrate the return of our brothers and sisters. Give us a compassionate and loving heart to welcome those who have returned to us. Amen.



# Saint Patrick

March 17



He had a special love for the people of Ireland. He told his people stories about Jesus and Mary. He went throughout Ireland baptizing many people.

### My Prayer

Saint Patrick, you made people happy when you told wonderful stories about God. Help me to tell others how much God loves us. Amen.

## MISSIONARY BISHOP

Feast: Marzo 17

St. Patrick, the great patron of Ireland, was actually born in Britain, the son of a deacon. In his early teens, Patrick was kidnapped and sold as a slave in Ireland. There he tended pigs and sheep for his master. He longed for his home and family, but learned to find peace through prayer.

After six years, Patrick escaped. He went to Europe to live in a monastery. There he was ordained a priest and then a missionary bishop. His mission land was Ireland.

Patrick returned to Ireland, this time to preach the Gospel. Patrick's words brought the faith to thousands of people. His holy life inspired even more. Ireland became a center of Catholic faith and culture, a "land of saints and scholars".



## ***Friends of Jesus and Mary***

***Palm Sunday March 24, 2013***

***Readings: Isaiah 50, 4-7; Psalm 21; Philippians 2, 6-11; Luke 22, 14-23, 56***

### ***The Triumphant Approach to Jerusalem***

After Jesus said this, He went on in front of them toward Jerusalem. As He came near Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, he sent two disciples ahead with these instructions: "Go to the village there ahead of you; as you go in, you will find a colt tied up that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If someone asks you why you are untying it, tell him that the Master needs it." They went on their way and found everything just as Jesus had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying it?" "The Master needs it," they answered, and they took the colt to Jesus. Then they threw their cloaks over the animal and helped Jesus get on. As he rode on, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near Jerusalem, at the place where the road went down the Mount of Olives, the large crowd of his disciples began to thank God and praise him in loud voices for all the great things that they had seen: God bless the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory to God!" Then some of the Pharisees in the crowd spoke to Jesus. "Teacher," they said, "command your disciples to be quiet!" Jesus answered, "I tell you that if they keep quiet, the stones themselves will start shouting." (Luke 19, 28-40)

### ***Reflection***

Today we read the Passion of Jesus, which is a summary of our faith. With which character do we identify? Jesus did not seek death, but neither did he yield in his mission to proclaim the Kingdom of God: a Kingdom of love, justice and forgiveness. His life was all about loving, no matter the cost. The same people who acclaimed Jesus on Sunday wanted to kill him by Friday. Whose opinions make you lose your convictions? Jesus knew that if he went to Jerusalem the leaders would try to kill him. But He was determined to fulfill his mission. Jesus knew that the Father was always with him. When you are determined to do something good, how do you face difficulties? Do you give up easily? Share.

### ***Activity***

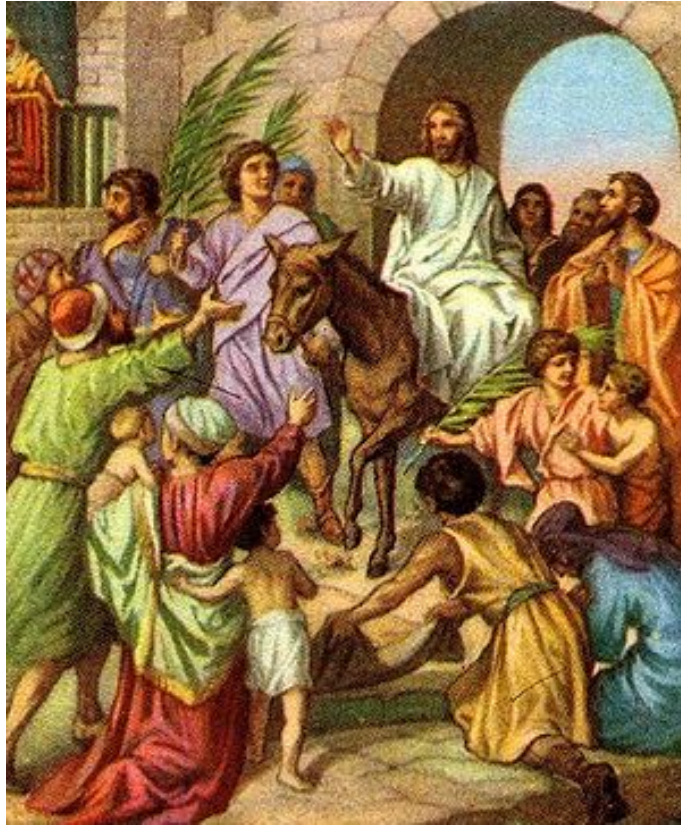
Act out the scene of the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. Dress up one of the children as Jesus. Bring palms to the group and make a procession and ask them to wave the palms and shout: "Bless be the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" Everyone then writes on a piece of paper how they wish to accompany Jesus in Holy Week and place it in the altar.

### ***Prayer***

Lord you know our good desires. Give us strength to continue walking in spite of the difficulties, persecutions and fears. Thank you for helping us to carry our cross. Give us strength to be faithful to you. Amen



# PALM SUNDAY



Jesus' teachings about prayer and love for even the least of God's children caused many to follow him. He was honored by the people but He knew some would not accept him.

**ALELULLA!**

# ST JOSEPH

March 19



St. Joseph is a great saint. He was Jesus' foster father and Mary's husband. Joseph was given the great privilege of taking care of God's own Son, Jesus, and his Mother, Mary. Joseph was poor all his life. He had to work very hard in his carpenter shop, but he did not mind. He was happy to work for his little family. He loved Jesus and Mary so much.

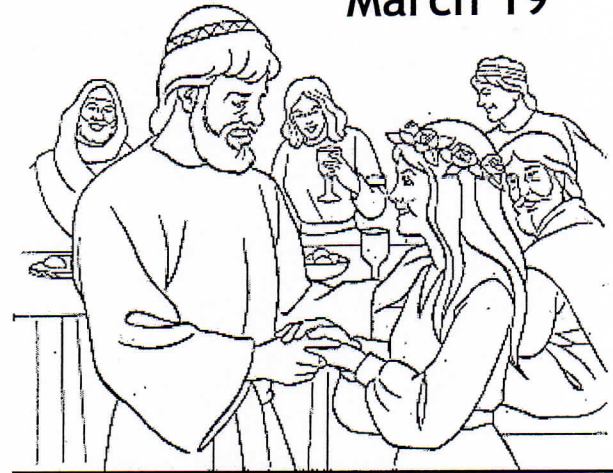
Whatever the Lord wanted him to do, St. Joseph did at once, no matter how difficult it was. He was humble and pure, gentle and wise. Jesus and Mary loved him and obeyed him because God had placed him as the head of their family. What a joy for St. Joseph to live with the Son of God himself. Jesus obeyed him, helped him, and loved him.

We pray to St. Joseph as the protector of the dying for a special reason. It is believed that Joseph died peacefully in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

St. Teresa of Avila chose St. Joseph as a protector of her order of Carmelite sisters. She had a great trust in his prayers. "every time I ask St. Joseph for something", she said, "he always obtains it for me."

Pope Pius IX proclaimed St. Joseph the patron of the Universal Church.

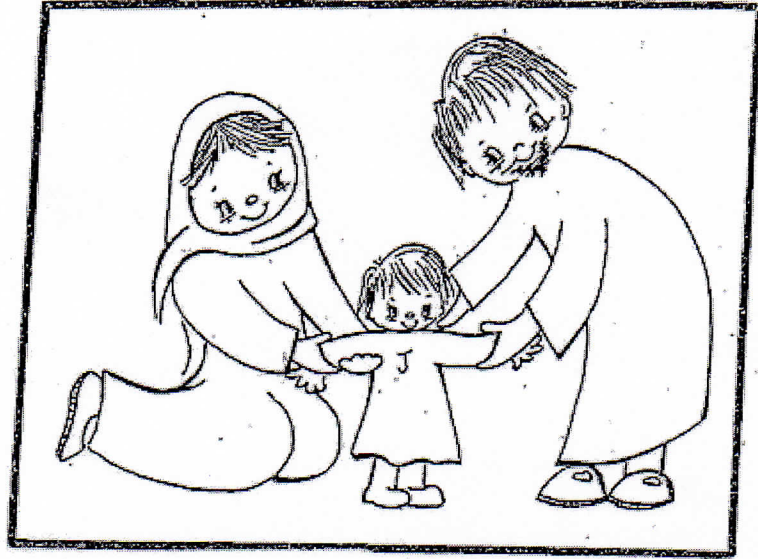
*As Jesus obeyed and helped St. Joseph in his hard and humble work, let us, too, willing help our parents with the work to be done at home.*



This year the feast of Saint Joseph will be celebrate in the 20 because the 19 is a Sunday

# Saint Joseph protector of the church

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Saint Joseph took care of Jesus while Jesus was growing up. Saint Joseph took care of the holy Virgin Mary, too. Jesus and Mary were his family. He worked hard for them. He was a carpenter. He made things out of wood and sold them.



Saint Joseph showed Jesus how to make things, too. He wanted Jesus to learn so he would know how to work when he got big. Joseph showed Jesus how to saw the wood and how to hammer nails without bending them or hitting his fingers.

## Prayer for wednesdays

To Saint Joseph

Good Saint Joseph, I love you as the foster father of Jesus, as the holy husband of the Virgin Mary, as the head of the Holy Family, and as the patron of the whole Church. Be my father and guide on my way to heaven. Take care of me as you took care of Jesus. Be the head of our family and lead us close to God. Saint Joseph, give us peace and blessing from heaven and, above all, love.



## Marriage — Holy Orders

**Interview a Priest** Go to your parish Priest or invite him to your class. Find out how God called him by asking the questions on this Form. Write in the answers.

# THE CALL OF CHRIST TO BE A PRIEST

Your full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Where were you born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you grow up? Did you ever move? \_\_\_\_\_

How old were you when you first thought of being a Priest? \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you been a Priest? \_\_\_\_\_


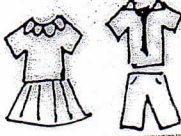

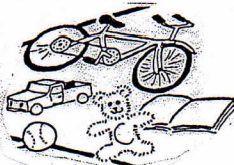


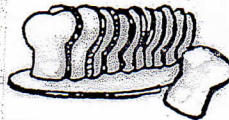
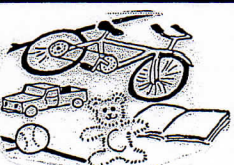

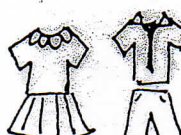
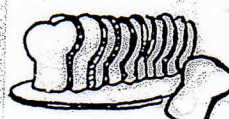
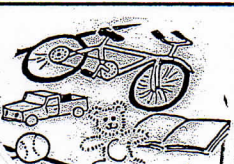





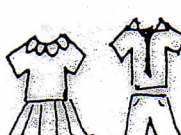

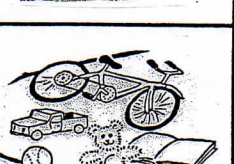



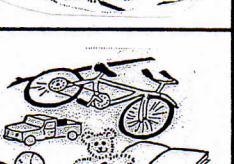



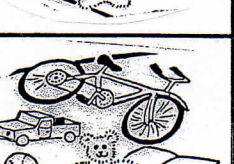
What is the happiest memory of your ordination? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you like to do best as a Priest? \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPRESS YOUR APPRECIATION  
TO FATHER FOR HIS INTERVIEW**

Write here what else you learned from conducting this interview: \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus is happy when you help at home without being asked. Each day this week, color the picture of the things you do to help your parents at home that day. Try to do each thing every day.

	Make my bed	Hang up my clothes	Set the table	Put away my toys
SUNDAY				
MONDAY				
TUESDAY				
WEDNESDAY				
THURSDAY				
FRIDAY				
SATURDAY				

The LORD is my helper  
*Hebrews 13:6*





## ***Friends of Jesus and Mary***

***Easter Sunday March 31, 2013***

***Readings: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Psalm 117; Colossians 3, 1-4 John 20: 1-9***

### ***The Empty Tomb***

Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the entrance. She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and saw the linen cloths, but he did not go in. Behind him came Simon Peter, and he went straight into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there and the cloth which had been around Jesus' head. It was not lying with the linen cloths but was rolled up by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and believed (they still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death.) Then the disciples went back home. (John 20: 1-9)

### ***Reflection***

God raised Jesus because death can never have the last word. A woman, an outcast in that society, is the one who receives the announcement of the new life of Jesus. Mary Magdalene really loved Jesus, and that's why she went to see the tomb, although those who killed Jesus might still be looking to kill his friends. Imagine that you go to the cemetery to see the tomb of someone you knew and it is empty. What do you do? How do you feel? Afraid, concerned, happy? Would they like someone to come back to life? Share.

### ***Activity***

Prepare a basket with Easter eggs that are symbols of life and decorate them as a group. Choose a group of persons that no one remember and bring them the basket. Prepare cards with messages of the bible that show us the love and presence of God in our lives. Place this card on the baskets you prepare for the persons to be visited.

### ***Prayer***

Lord, you conquer death and in spite of our difficulties and pain, you always give us new life and joy. Help us to be reasons of joy and hope for others, signs of your resurrection for the world. Amen.



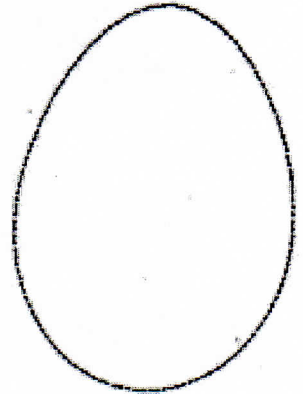
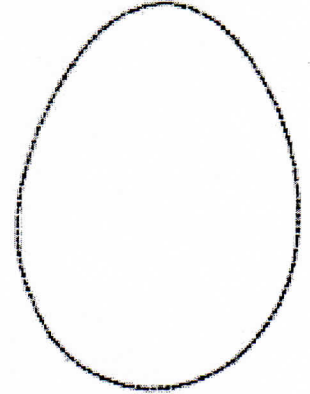
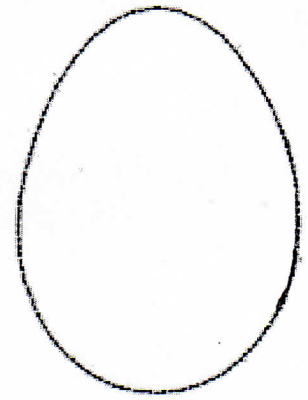
# A BASKET OF GOOD WISHES

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Make an Easter basket to give to a parent, grandparent, or friend. This basket will carry your good wishes to a special person this Easter.

1. Color the basket
2. Cut around the basket on the dotted lines.
3. Cut along the dotted line on the inside of the basket.  
Be careful not to cut through the handles of the basket.

4. Paste or tape an 8 1/2 x 11 piece a paper behind the basket. Use paste or tape only on the outside edges so that your basket has an open pocket. This will let you put your eggs in the basket.



On each of the eggs. Write a special message to the person who will get the egg. You might want to tell the person why you like him or her so much. You might also tell about some good things you plan to do for that person. Color or decorate the eggs, cut them out, and put them in the basket you have already made. Your Easter basket is ready to deliver!