

June 2015

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In this month we have a feasts of Corpus Christi and Saint Peter and Paul. Emphasized this month the important of Jesus in the tabernacle. Motivate the children to visit the Blessed Sacrament. And ask God for peace in the world.

## Enclosed you will find the most important Feast and Saints:

June 05 Saint Boniface

June 07 Corpus Christi Solemnity

June 12 Most Sacred heart of Jesus

June 13 Immaculate Heart of Mary

June 19 St Romuald, Abbot

June 22 Saint Thomas More, Martyrs

June 24 Saint John the Baptist

June 29 Saints Peter and Paul

#### Enclosed Material:

- a) Letter and monthly calendar
- b) Activities for gospel of the month

#### Activities:

- a) Saints of the month
- b) Receiving Communion
- c) Eucharistic Miracle, Orvieto
- d) Sacred Heart of Jesus
- e) Father's Day Card
- f) Activity for the Gospel of June
- g) St. Aloysius Gonzaga
- h) Different name for Jesus

#### Suggested videos:

- 1) Sacred Heart series
- 2) The Miracles of the Eucharist
- 3) Resurrection Celebration

May God bless you, Friends of Jesus and Mary



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



## Florida Center for Peace

## June 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
í.	1 ST JUSTIN, MARTYR Tb 1, 1a. 2; 2, 1-9 Psalm 111 Mark 12, 1-12	2 Tb 2, 10-23 Psalm 111 Mark 12, 13-17	3 ST CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS Tb 3, 1-11.24-25 Psalm 24 Mark 12, 18-27	4 Tb 6, 10-11a; 7, 1.9-17 8, 4-10 Psalm 127 Mark 12, 28b-34	5 FIRST FRIDAY ST. BONIFACE Tb 11, 5-17 Paulim 145 Mark 12, 35-37	6 FIRST SATURDAY ST. NORBERT Tb 12, 1.5-15.20 Psalm/Tb 13, 2.6-8 Mark 12. 38-44
CORPUS CHRISTI SOLEMNITY Exodo 24, 3-8 Paalm 115 He 9, 11-15	2Co 1, 1-7 Psaim 33 Matthew 5, 1-12	9 ST EPHREM 2Co 1, 18-22 Psalm 118 Matthew 5, 13-16	2Co 3, 4-11 Psalm 98 Matthew 5, 17-19	11 ST. BARNABAS, APOSTLE 2Co 3, 15–4, 1,3-6 Psalm 84 Matthew 5, 20-26	12 MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS 2Co 4, 7-15 Psalm 115 Acts 16, 14	13 IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY 2Co 5, 14-21 Paalm 102 Matthew 5, 33-37
Mk 14, 12-16.22-26 14 11TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME	15	16	17	18	19 ST ROMUALD, ABBOT	20
Ez 17, 22-24 Psalm 91 2Co 5, 6-10 Mark 4, 26-34	2Co 6, 1-10 Psalm 97 Matthew 5, 38-42	2Co 8, 1-9 Psalm 145 Matthew 5, 43-48	2Co 9, 6-11 Psalm 111 Matthew 6, 1-6.16-18	2Co 11, 1-11 Psalm 110 Matthew 6, 7-15	2Co 11, 18.21b-30 Psalm 33 Matthew 6, 19-23	2Co 12, 1-10 Psalm 33 Matthew 6, 24-34
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## Friends of Jesus and Mary Corpus Christi - June 07, 2015

Readings: Exodus 24, 3-8; Psalm 115; Hebrews 9, 11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the day the lambs for the Passover meal were killed, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and get the Passover meal ready for you?" Then Jesus sent two of them with these instructions: "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house he enters, and say to the owner of the house: "The Teacher says: 'Where is the room where my disciples and I will eat the Passover meal?" Then he will show you a large upstairs room, fixed up and furnished, where you will get everything ready for us." The disciples left, went to the city, and found everything just as Jesus had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. While they were eating, Jesus took a piece of bread, gave a prayer of thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. "Take it," he said, "this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks to God, and handed it to them; and they all drank from it. Jesus said, "This is my blood which is poured out for many, my blood which seals God's covenant. I tell you, I will never again drink this wine until the day I drink the new wine in the Kingdom of God." Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives. (Mark 14, 12-16, 22-26)

### Reflection

Do you understand Jesus' words about the bread and wine being his body and blood? Do you eat the bread and drink the wine believing what Jesus said? What do you want to say to Jesus? Jesus says that he gives up everything he is and has out of love for us. Would you like to share everything with others? In the readings of this week Jesus, priest of the new covenant, offers sacrifices and seals the commitment with his own blood. Jesus gives us everything he is and has for the salvation and liberation of us all.

## Activity

Dramatize the scene of the Last Supper with the children. Prepare bread and grape juice to represent wine. Bring costumes to dress up the children as the apostles. Also posters with a picture and an explanation of each apostle. A lector reads the gospel and the children act it. When the reading is finished pray together and give thanks to Jesus for giving himself up for us.

#### Prayer

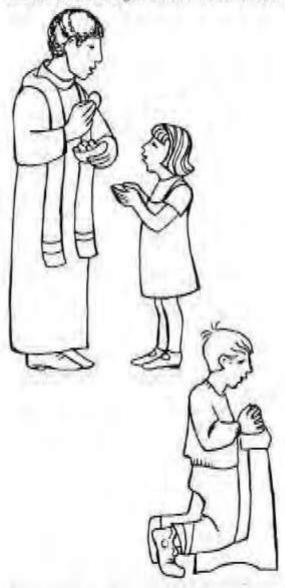
Lord, you nourish us each day physically and spiritually with your own body and blood. Your communion teaches us to share everything with others. Help us to be generous with one another, giving ourselves in service and in love. Stay with us. **Amen.** 



## Receiving Communion

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Here is a picture of children receiving their First Communion. Do you know what each person in this picture is saying? Cut out the words and glue them near the proper person.





"The Body of Christ."

"The Blood of Christ."

"Amen."

"Amen."

"Thank you, Jesus, for coming to me in the Eucharist."



## **Eucharist**

## We are One Family!

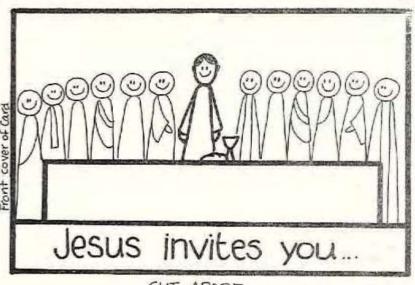
Sister Jane asked us to look around during the Liturgy and see who is there.

Now think who is not there: a friend or a relative who does not go to Mass every Sunday...? Why not invite that person back?

Color this invitation. Give it or mail it to one of those persons.

Note, educators: copy this page on heavier paper.





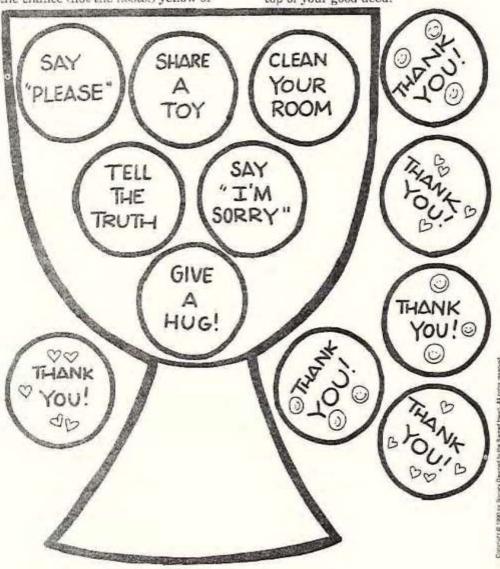
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to celebrate the Eucharist with him again.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
Jesus misses you when you are not at Mass, so do I .Please come to Church this Sunday. I love you. Love,

## We are Family

Jesus gives us the strength and example to be loving. Jesus said that every time you do something good for someone else, you do it for him. Color the chalice (not the hosts!) yellow or gold. Cut out the hosts that are outside of the chalice. Each time you do one of the loving actions, Jesus thanks you, so you may tape his "Thank You" on top of your good deed!



# ORVIETO Italy, 1263



## PETER of PRAGUE

He was a German priest going on a pilgrimage to Rome. On the way, he stopped to say Mass in a small town near the city of Orvieto, called Boisena. Father Pedro had a good heart, but it was hard for him to believe that Jesus was really present in the Eucharist.

## A RIVER of BLOOD



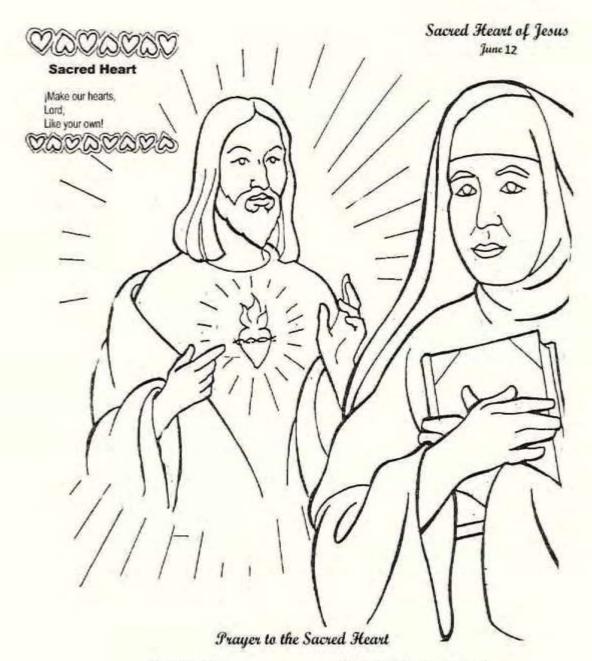
It happened that, just when he was saying the words of the consecration, he noticed that something was flowing from the host...it was blood! Father Peter was really scared. He tried to hide the blood, but it was impossible. Not knowing what to do, he went right away to tell Pope Urban IV, who just at this moment was in Orvieto.

## CORPUS CHRISTI

The Pope listened attentively and immediately chose a team to investigate to see if it was true. They brought the corporal and the miraculous host to the

The Pope kept wondering what the Lord wanted to say with this miracle...





Sacred Heart Jesus, I give myself to you.

give you my body, my soul, and all that I do or think or say. I want my whole life to be an offering to you to make you know and love.

I also offer to you our family.

Help us to obey and love you always.

Keep us from all danger of soul and body.

Bless our life together with your peace and love.

We hope for the forgiveness of our sins through your mercy, and for the graces we need to save our souls.

Keep us close to your heart.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, We believe in your love for us. Help us to love you more.



## Friends of Jesus and Mary

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 14, 2015 Readings: Exodus 17, 22-24; Psalm 91; 2Co 5, 6-10; Mark 4, 26-34

## The Parable of the Growing Seed

Jesus went on to say, "The Kingdom of God is like this. A man scatters seed in his field. He sleeps at night, is up and about during the day, and all the while the seeds are sprouting and growing. Yet he does not know how it happens. The soil itself makes the plants grow and bear fruit; first the tender stalk appears, then the head, and finally the head full of grain. When the grain is ripe, the man starts cutting it with his sickle, because harvest time has come. What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like?" asked Jesus. "What parable shall we use to explain it? It is like this. A man takes a mustard seed, the smallest seed in the world, and plants it in the ground. After a while it grows up and becomes the biggest of all plants. It puts out such large branches that the birds come and make their nests in the shade." Jesus preached his message to the people. Using many other parables like these, he told them as much as they could understand. He would not speak to them without using parables, but when he was alone with his disciples; he would explain everything to them.

(Mark 4, 26-34)

## Reflection

Have you had the opportunity to see a seed that opens up, sprouts a small branch, or a field full of plants whose fruits are harvested by the farmer? We are like the seeds that open by God's grace, and sprout good works pleasing to Jesus who harvests them. Just as we do not know how the seeds are born and grow, we do not know how Jesus plants seeds in our hearts, forming friends which He harvest like ripe grain.

#### Activity

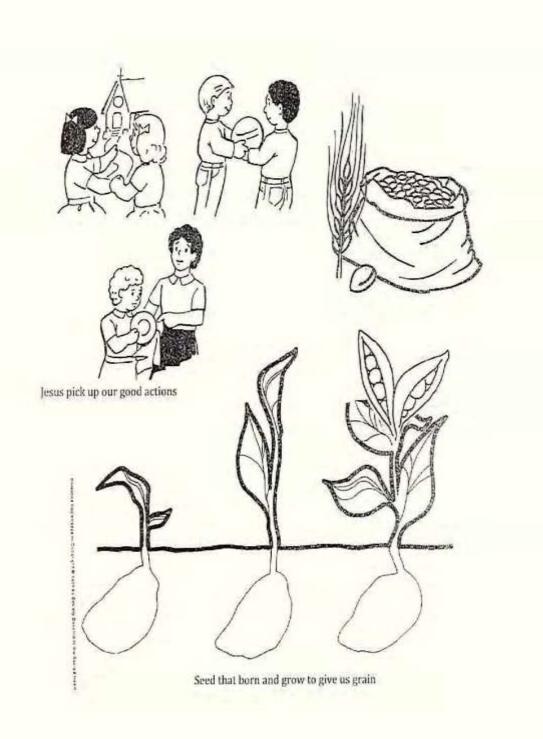
Draw all the steps of the parable in sequence: Planter, seeds, grass, spikes, grain, and harvest. Color a spike filled with ripe grain, and a group of children with Jesus who is collecting from them many good works they have done.

#### Prayer

Jesus, you are the best sower and on the ground that is us, your friends, you put the seed of your word and much love. I want to be ripe grain that forms the spike that you hold in your hands. Thank you Jesus, for making me grow without me realizing it. Amen.



## Activity for the Gospel of June 14





## Friends of Jesus and Mary

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 21, 2015 Readings: Job 38, 1.8-11; Psaim 106; 2Co 5, 14-17; Mark 4, 35-41

## Jesus Calms a Storm

On the evening of that same day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they left the crowd; the disciples got into the boat in which Jesus was already sitting, and they took him with them. Other boats were there too. Suddenly a strong wind blew up, and the waves began to spill over into the boat, so that it was about to fill with water. Jesus was in the back of the boat, sleeping with his head on a pillow. The disciples woke him up and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we are about to die?" Jesus stood up and commanded the wind, "Be quiet!" and he said to the waves, "Be still!" The wind died down, and there was a great calm. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Why are you frightened? Do you still have no faith?" But there were terribly afraid and began to say to one another, "Who is this man? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" (Mark 4, 35-41)

### Reflection

Are you very scared of the storm? Do you sometimes think that Jesus doesn't hear your prayers when what you ask for doesn't happen? Today Jesus invites you to trust him. He wants you to remember that he can calm down even the greatest of storms. Speak to Jesus and tell him about the problems you see at home or school. Tell him about the fears you have. Tell him you want to trust in him. The readings for this week invite us to trust in God.

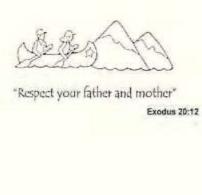
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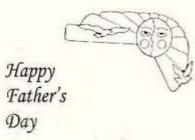
Prepare small cardboard boats. One for each child. Ask them to write a problem or situation that worries him or her. Each child brings up his or her boat and pastes it on the board. Together in prayer they said: "Jesus, I know that you are with me, no matter what."



#### Praver

Lord, sometimes we go through great difficulties and it seems to us that our boat is about to sink. But you are there with us even if it seems you are sleeping. Increase our trust in your presence and in your power to give us strength to walk in this life. **Amen.** 







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## **DIFFERENT NAME FOR JESUS**

Jesus asks his friends "Who do you say that I am?"
The bible has many names for Jesus. Can you fill in the blanks by matching them with the words on the right?
(Hint: you can find all the names in the bible verses listed below.)

1. Bread of	A) Christ
2. The Good	B) God
3 the Lord	C) King
4. I am theyou are the branches	D) Life
5. God us	E) Lamb
6, 5on of	F) of
7 of the Kings	G) Omega
8. Gift God	H) Prince
g. Light of the	I) Shepherd
10 of peace	J) Truth
11. The way and the and the life	K) Vine
12. the Alpha and the	L) with
13 of God	M) World

Readings: Rev 1:8, John 6:48, Luke 2:11, Matthew 1:23, John 4:10, Hebrews 4:14, 1Tim. 6:15, John 1:29, John 8:12, Luke 2:27, John 10:11, John 14:6, John 15:5

Answers 2-d, 2-1, 3-a, 4-k, 5-1, 6-b, 7-c, 8-f, 9-m, 10-h, 11-j, 12-g, 13-e



St. Aloysius was born into a rich and noble family. As a child, he was appointed page to Diego, the prince destined to become the King of Spalin.

His father, Fernante, was very proud to have received such a great honor, but poor Aloysius did not share his father's opinion. Diego was only seven years old and as his page, Aloysius had to obey this obnoxious and prideful child.

One day, they were playing outside in the courtyard and Diego, bothered by a cold rush of wind, shouled:



They later told the story to King Philip II, who laughed...



# • St. Aloysius Gonzaga Jesuit

NAME: Aloysius Gonzaga

PARENTS' NAMES: Ferrante Gonzaga and Marta Tana de Santena

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: March 9, 1568 in Castiglione, Italy

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH: June 21, 1591 in Rome, Italy

KNOWN FOR: His great purity and innocence, as well as his spirit of austerity and penance. Although he came from a rich and noble family, he left everything to follow his religious vocation. He was also known for his extreme charity in caring for the sick in the hospitals of Rome, a service that would cost him his life.



FEAST: June 21

PATRON OF: The Youth



# Friends of Jesus and Mary 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 28, 2015

Readings: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2, 23-24; Psalm 29; 2Corinthians 8, 7,913-15; Mark 5, 21-43

Jesus went back across to the other side of the lake. There at the lakeside a large crowd gathered around him. Jairus, an official of the local synagogue, arrived, and when he saw Jesus, he threw himself down at his feet and begged him earnestly, "My little daughter is very sick. Please come and place your hands on her, so that she will get well and live!" Then Jesus started off with him. So many people were going along with Jesus that they were crowding him from every side.

There was a woman who had suffered terribly from severe bleeding for twelve years, even though she had been treated by many doctors. She had spent all her money, but instead of getting better she got worse all the time. She had heard about Jesus, so she came in the crowd behind him, saying to herself, "If I just touch his clothes, I will get well." She touched his cloak, and her bleeding stopped at once; and she had the feeling inside herself that she was healed of her trouble. At once Jesus knew that power had gone out of him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?" His disciples answered, "You see how the people are crowding you; why do you ask who touched you?" But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. The woman realized what had happened to her, so she came, trembling with fear, knelt at his feet, and told him the whole truth. Jesus said to her, "My daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your trouble."

While Jesus was saying this, some messengers came from Jairus's house and told him, "Your daughter has died. Why bother the Teacher any longer?" Jesus paid no attention to what they said, but told him, "Don't be afraid, only believe." Then he did not let anyone else go on with him except Peter and James and his brother John. They arrived at Jairus's house, where Jesus saw the confusion and heard all the loud crying and wailing. He went in and said to them, "Why all this confusion? Why are you crying? The child is not dead, she is only sleeping!" They started making fun of him, so he put them all out, took the child's father and mother and his three disciples, and went into the room where the child was lying. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Tabitha, khoum," which means, "Little girl, I tell you to get up!" She got up at once and started walking around. She was twelve years old when this happened; they were completely amazed. But Jesus gave them strict orders not to tell anyone, and he said, "Give her something to eat." (Mark 5, 21-43)

#### Reflection

Jesus heals a young girl who has died. Do you pray to Jesus when you or someone you love is sick? Do you place your trust in Jesus when you are afraid? The readings of this week show us how Jesus' kindness toward us invites us to share with others. Faith is stronger than death. Jesus tells us: "Do not fear; you only need to have faith."

#### Activity

Dramatize the scene of Jesus healing Jairus's daughter. Create different endings for the story. What does the girl do after being healed? Ask the children to imagine what her life must have been like before being sick. What is she like now?

#### Prayer

Lord, as we go through life, we are afraid of sickness and death, because it means pain and separation from those we love. Give us generosity to comfort others and to share the abundant blessings we have received from you. Amen.



