



Friends of Jesus and Mary  
Amigos de Jesús y María

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**Florida Center for Peace**

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Miami, Florida

Dear Guides:

In many countries, children are on Summer vacation. We hope you will continue motivating them to go to Sunday mass with their family and participate in church activities.

**Special feasts of the month follow:**

July 1 Saint Juniper Serra  
July 3 Saint Thomas the Apostle  
July 4 Independence Day in the USA  
July 14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha  
July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
July 25 Saint James  
July 26 Saint Joaquín and Saint Ana  
July 29 Saint Marta  
July 31 Saint Ignacio de Loyola

**Materials included for the month:**

1. July calendar
2. Meditations and activities for the Sunday Gospel
3. Saint Ignatius of Loyola, activity and coloring
3. Old Testament- Joshua and Jericho, history and coloring

We hope you have a wonderful vacation with your family. Please pray for our Ministry.

**God Bless You Always,**

**Committee Friends of Jesus and Mary**



# JULY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Saint Juniper Serra	2	3 Saint Thomas the Apostle	4 Independence Day in USA	5	6 Saint Maria Goretti, Virgen and Martyr
7 XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 XV Sunday in Ordinary Time  Saint Kateri Tekakwitha	15	16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel	17	18	19	20
21 XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time	22 Saint Mary Magdalene	23 Saint Bridgette of Sweden, Religious	24	25 Saint James the Greater, Apostle and Martyr	26 Saint Joaquin and Saint Ana	27
28 XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time	29 Saint Martha	30 Saint Peter Damien, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola			



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XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 7, 2019

*Isaiah 66, 10-14; Psalm 65, Galatians 6, 14-18; Luke 10, 1-12. 17-20*

### Jesus sends off seventy-two.

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter, and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"

### Reflection

Jesus sends them in groups of two. Why is it better to go in pairs? (one can pray; they can help each other; they are safer; people believe two more than one...) Jesus sent them to places He planned on going. What does this mean? (We take the message, but Jesus enters the heart.) What message? (Jesus loves us and opens the gates of Heaven with His death on the cross; love and obey Him) Why did He say: "I am sending you like lambs among wolves"? (Some sinners do not want to change, and they reject the messenger; God gives us the choice to accept Him or not.) Jesus asks them to say, "Peace to this household.", Why? (If their hearts are open to the message of repentance and love, they will have peace). How can we take this message to the world? (Our example of living as Jesus asks; telling others about Jesus.)

### Activity

On the following page, color the name of Jesus, cut, glue to colored construction paper, make holes and hang with string. In groups of two, act out situations imitating Jesus.

### Prayer

Jesus, I want to be your messenger. Send your Holy Spirit to my heart so I may take peace and love to all in my family and in my community. Transform the hearts that do not want to receive your message. Amen.

**Song:** There's Just Something About that Name, Maranatha  
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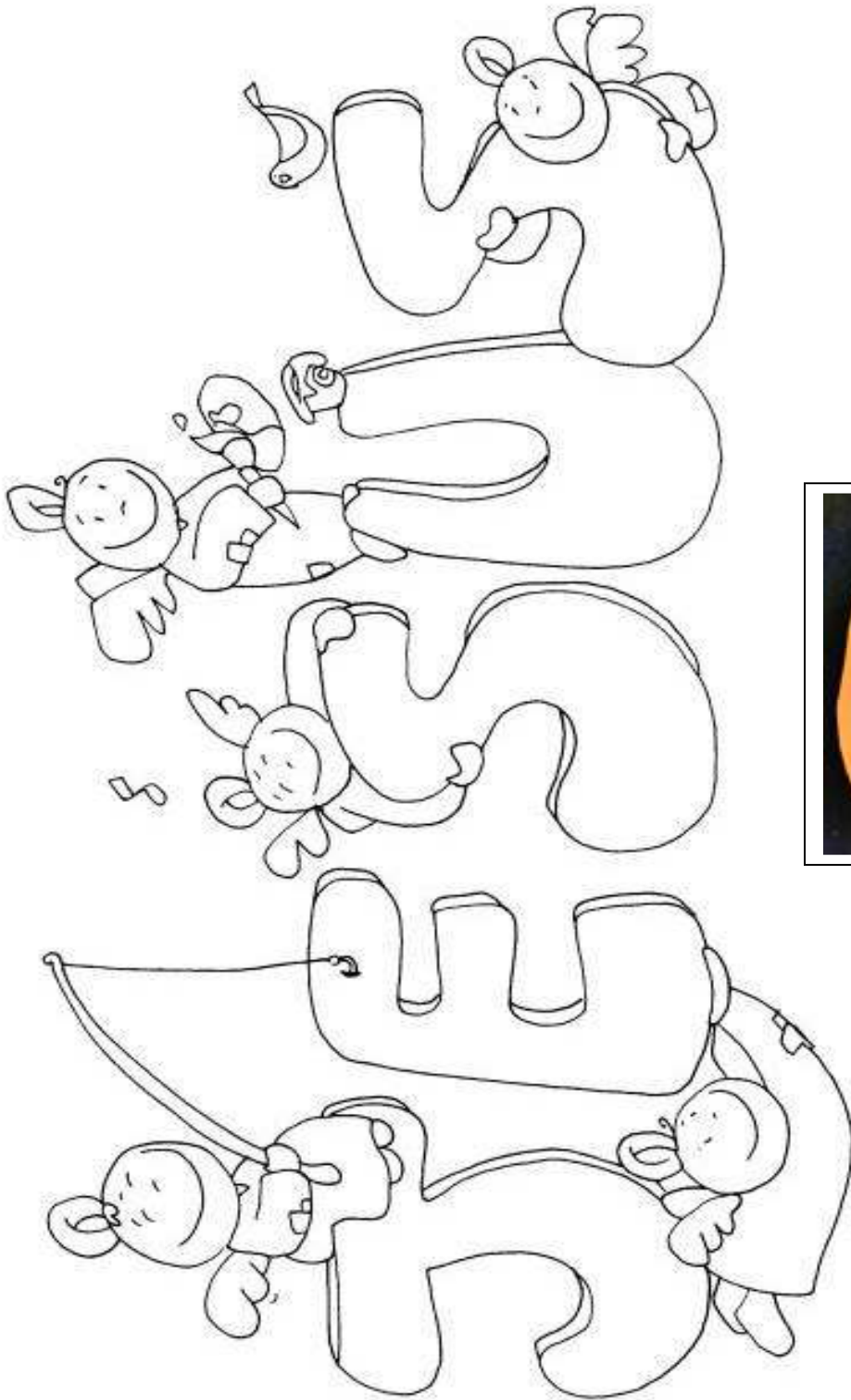




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XV Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 14, 2019

*Deuteronomy 30, 10-14; Psalm 68, Colossians 1, 15-20; Luke 10, 25-37*

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, "*You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.*" He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live." But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### Reflection

How does Jesus say you obtain eternal life? (Loving God and loving your neighbor) What else does the scholar ask? (Who is my neighbor?) How does Jesus answer? (with a parable or story) In the story, 3 people pass by the half-dead man on the street. Who were they? (A priest, a Levite, and a Samaritan.) How is the Samaritan different from the priest and Levite? (The priest, the Levite, and the scholar were Jewish; the Samaritan was another religion that practiced idolatry and worshiped on another mountain. They were rejected by the Jews.) Who helped the injured man? (the Samaritan) What did Jesus want to teach them with this story? (All of humanity is our neighbor, even if a different race, religion, nationality; we are all God's children.) Who do I find difficult to help? How can I try to help my neighbor this week? How can I help my neighbor this week? (smiling, sharing, praying, helping, playing, conversing...)

### Actividad

On the following pages, color the parable as you tell the story. If possible, act out the story with the children. Later, pass out the hearts so each child can write on the back who they want to help this week. Help them to learn the commandments of love.

### Prayer

Lord, teach us to be Good Samaritans, welcoming those that are rejected. Give us courage and generosity to do so, even though it requires personal sacrifice. Amen

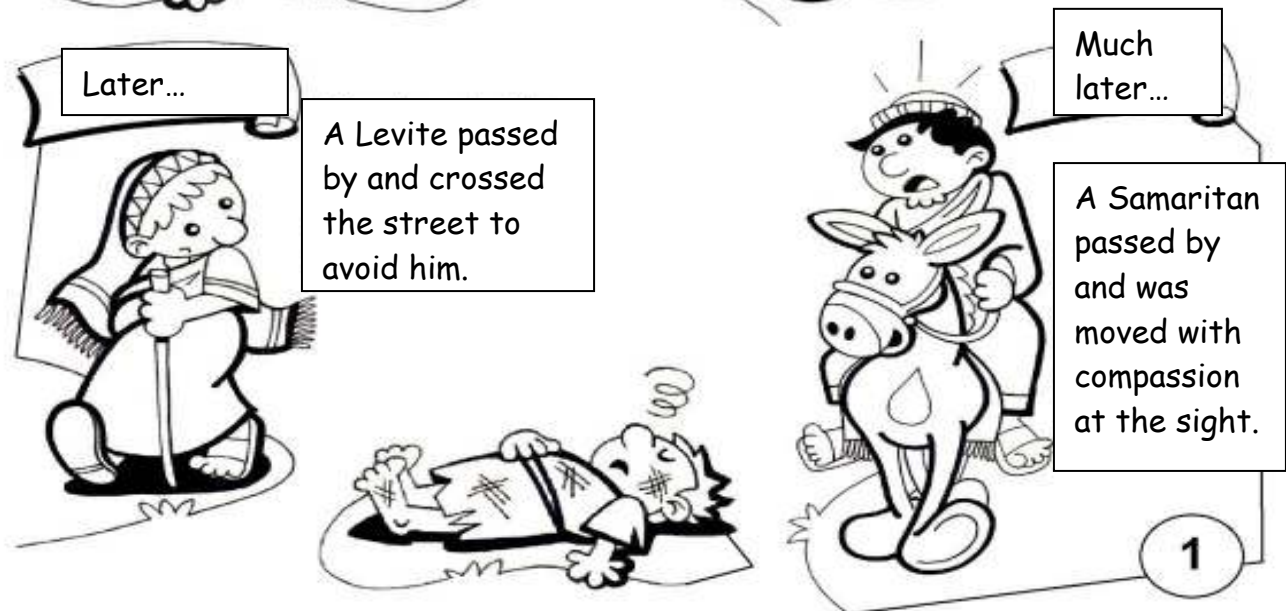
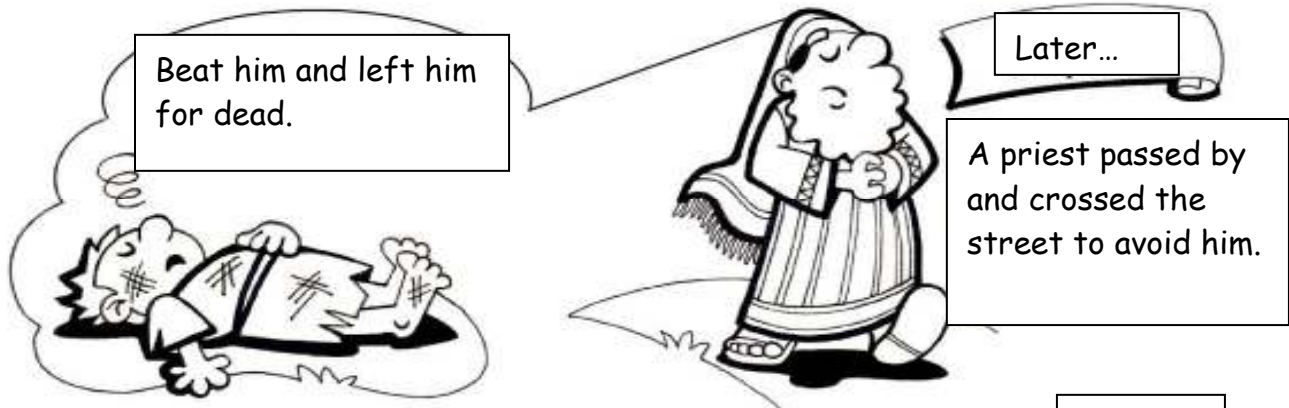
**Song:** Love your Neighbor, Sadock Sebastian  
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**Parable of the Good Samaritan.**

Luke 10, 30-35





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The Samaritan cured and bandaged his wounds,



And took him to an inn.



And took care of him...



The next day he gave money to the inn keeper and said...

Take care of him. What you spend extra, I will pay you when I return.



What do you think? Which of the three behaved like a neighbor to the robbed man.

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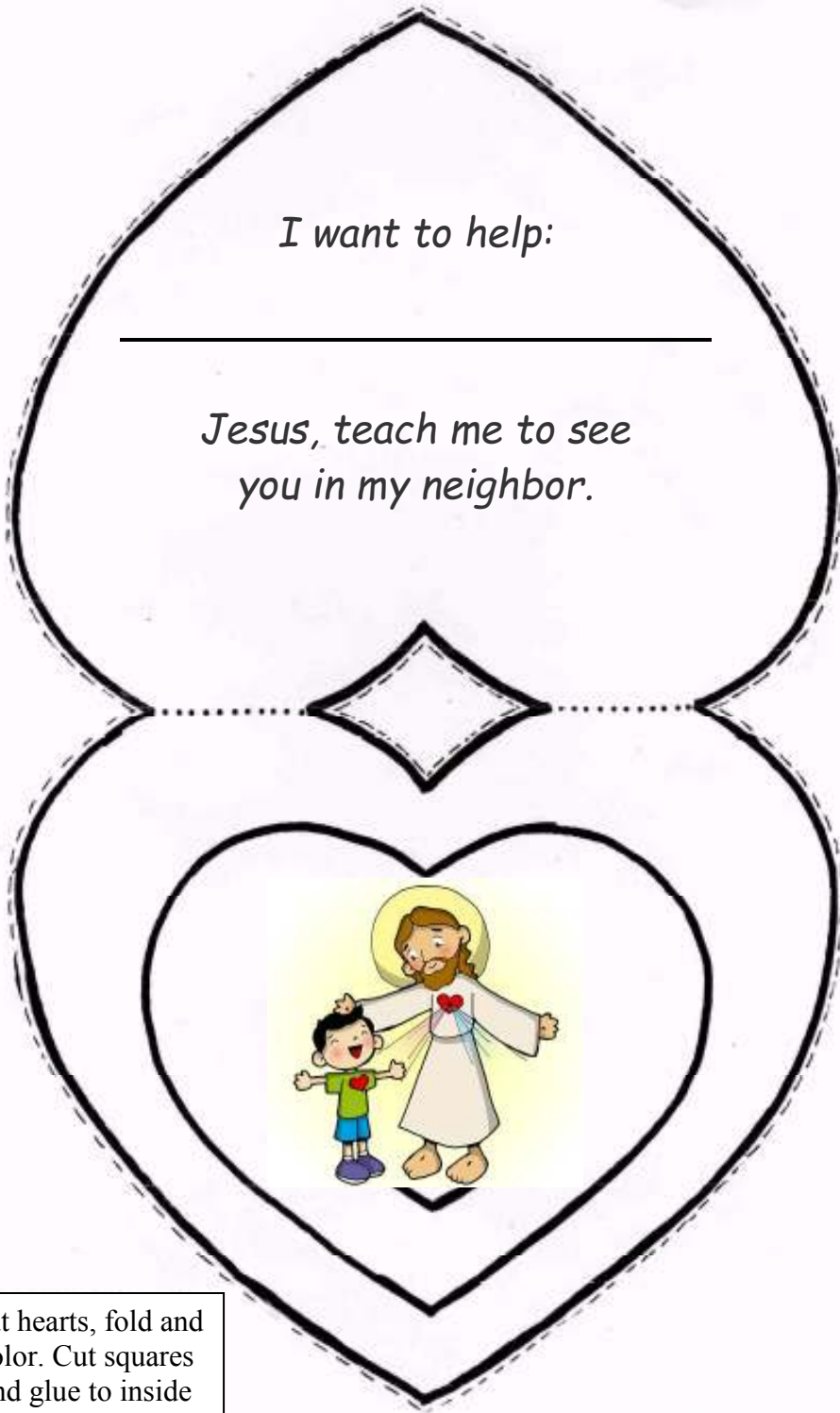
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*I want to help:*

*Jesus, teach me to see  
you in my neighbor.*

You shall love the Lord,  
your God, with all your  
heart, with all your being,  
with all your strength, and  
with all your mind...

*Love your neighbor  
as yourself.*



Cut hearts, fold and  
color. Cut squares  
and glue to inside  
of card.

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XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 21, 2019

Genesis 18, 1-10a; Psalm 14 Collosians 1, 24-28; Luke 10, 38-42

### Martha and Mary

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

### Reflection

What was Martha doing? (Housework for Jesus' visit.)  
What was Mary doing? (She sat to listen to Jesus.) How did Martha feel? (It was not fair that she was doing all the work.) Have you ever felt that way? How did Mary feel? (She was happy listening to Jesus' words.) Have you ever felt that way? When Martha complained, what did Jesus tell her? (...Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her....) Why is what Mary chose more important? (Listening to Jesus in the bible or in our hearts when we pray gives us peace, happiness, love, wisdom...all we need to love and be happy in this life and the next.) Do you find time to listen to Jesus every day? When? Jesus also tells us that it is important to receive visitors as though they were Him. How do you treat visitors? Do you pay attention to them, so they feel loved?

### Activity

On the following page, color and write words to Jesus.  
Play the game on the subsequent page.

### Prayer

Jesus, I want to hear your voice in my heart. Help me to always listen to you in the scriptures during mass and in prayer. Help me to listen with love the persons around me so they may feel loved. Amen.

**Song:** Jesus is my Best Friend Kids Praise & Worship Bible Song 360p  
(Ctrl Click) <https://youtu.be/tER4Jx6LyZk>





WE CAN LISTEN AND SPEAK TO JESUS ALL DAY LONG.





**GAME MARTHA AND MARY**

Divide children into 2 teams. Take turns reading a card to one child on each team. They must say “**Martha, Martha, you are worried about many things!**”, or “**Mary has chosen the better part,**” depending if the card reflects Martha or Mary. If they answer correctly, they earn a point. The team with the most points wins.

I had so much homework that I went to sleep without talking to God. (Martha)	When I wake up, I give thanks to God for another day to love Him. (Mary)	I wanted to eat quickly to watch my favorite t.v. show so I didn't say grace before my meal. (Martha)	Before each meal, I remember that my food is a gift from God, and I give Him thanks. (Mary)	My grandmother came to visit but I didn't talk to her because I was busy playing video games. (Martha)
Before starting a test, I ask God to help me think clearly. (Mary)	During Mass, I was busy thinking about my Friends and my activities, so I didn't talk to Jesus. (Martha)	During Mass, I told Jesus I loved Him very much and needed His help. (Mary)	I woke up late and didn't tell Jesus, “Thank you for a new day; I love you.” (Martha)	Whenever I pass the Adoration Chapel, I enter and say hello to Jesus. (Mary)
I passed the Adoration Chapel in a hurry, so I didn't enter to say hello to Jesus. (Martha)	My Grandmother wanted to know how I was, so I left my video game to talk to her. (Mary)	The new person in school wanted to talk, but my friends were waiting for me, so I left. (Martha)	Before I go to sleep, I give thanks for the day's blessings and pray for those in need. (Mary)	I had so much homework, I did not go to Mas son Sunday. (Martha)
I help my little brother put his shoes on in the morning. (Mary)	I love Jesus, but I don't have time to pray. (Martha)	I invited the new girl in school to sit with me and my Friends at lunch. (Mary)	My brother needed help getting dressed, but I wanted to clean my room. (Martha)	When I pray with my friends, I thank God in my heart for them. (Mary)



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### XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 28, 2019

*Genesis 18, 20-32; Psalm 137; Colossians 2, 12-14; Luke 11, 1-13*

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

#### Reflection

Jesus teaches us to pray calling God our Father. Describe your Father in Heaven. In the Our Father, we ask for the Kingdom of God to come. Describe the Kingdom of God. Do we try to keep holy God's name, do His will, forgive others, share our bread, and fight against evil? Do we ask God for things and are disappointed when we don't get them? Do your parents give you everything you ask for immediately? Why? (They sometimes say no because it is bad for you.) God, when we think He is not listening, He is saying no because it is bad for us. What does God always want to give us? (The Holy Spirit) Why? How does God want us to pray? (With perseverance and boldness.)

#### Activity

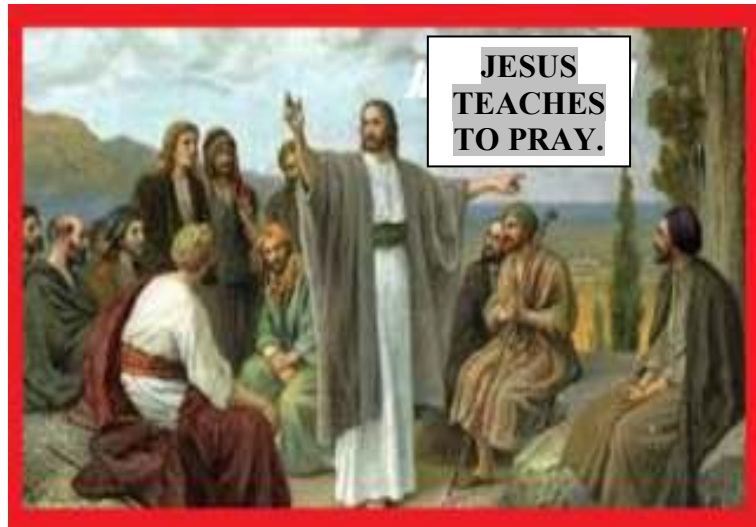
Act out the parable of perseverance in prayer. On the next page cut the doors and breads. Write on the doors what you are asking of God. On the breads, write the blessings God has given you today. Have each child take their door and bread and place it on the altar saying, "Jesus, I know you always listen."

#### Prayer

Lord, teach me to pray. Pray the Our Father slowly with hand movements.

**Song:** Our Father, Lord's Prayer 3

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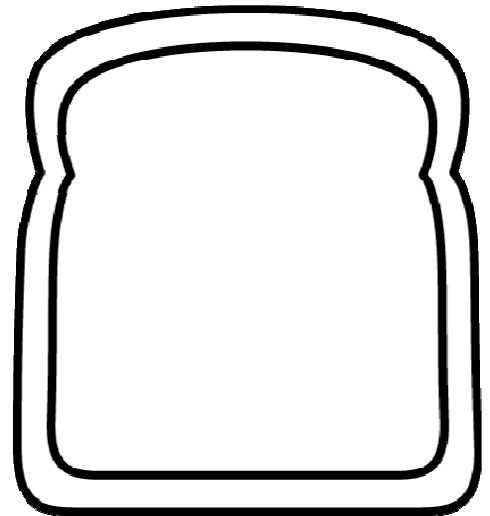
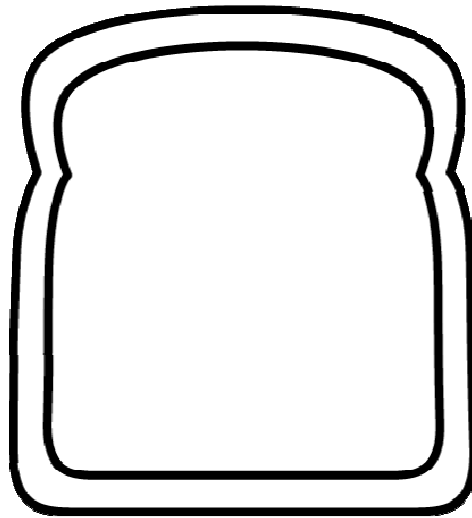
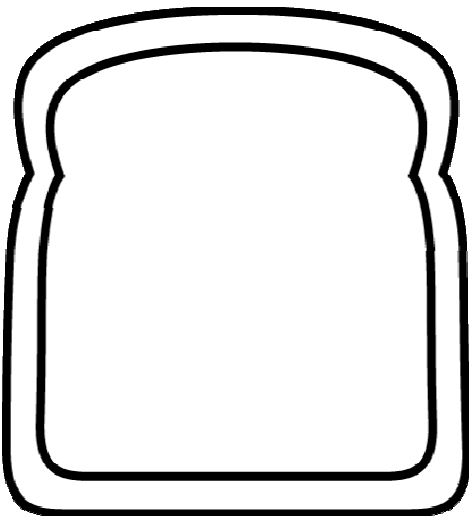
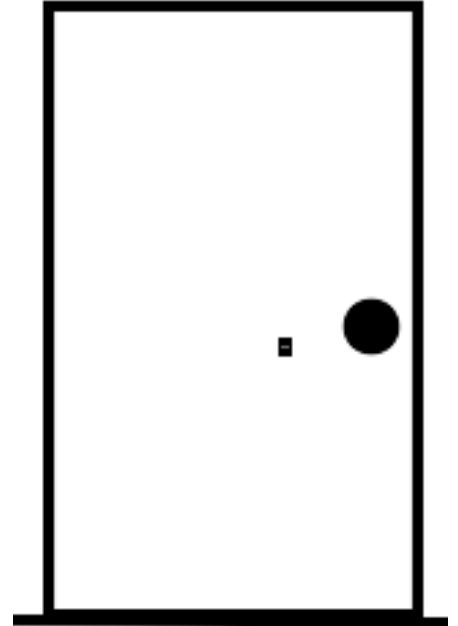
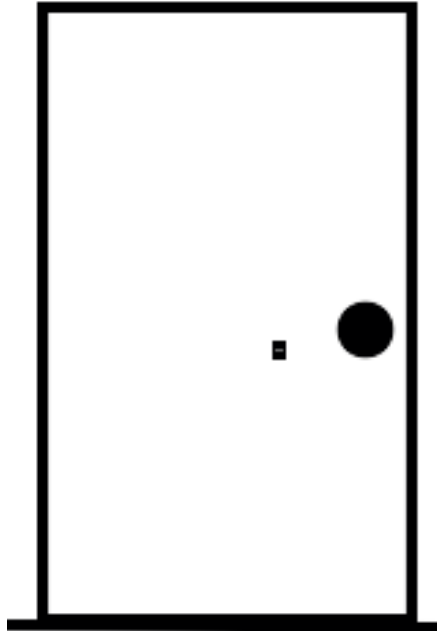
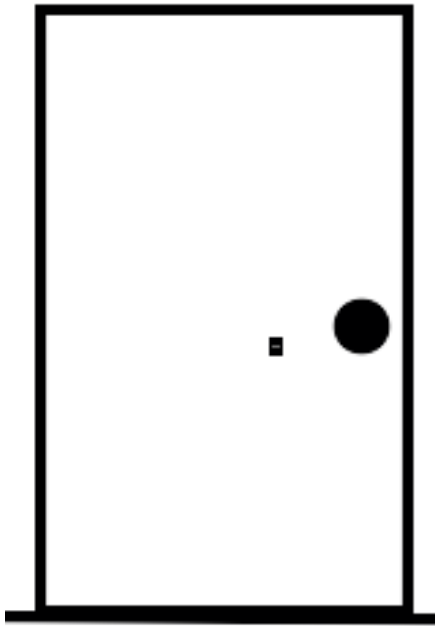




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# OUR FATHER



Our Father who is  
in Heaven.



Holy is your Name.



Your Kingdom come,



Your will be done on  
earth as it is in Heaven.



Give us this day our  
daily bread.

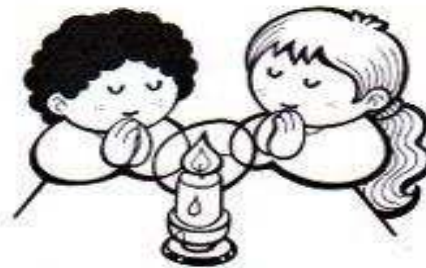
Forgive us our  
trespasses.



As we forgive  
those who  
trespass  
against us.



And lead us not into  
temptation,



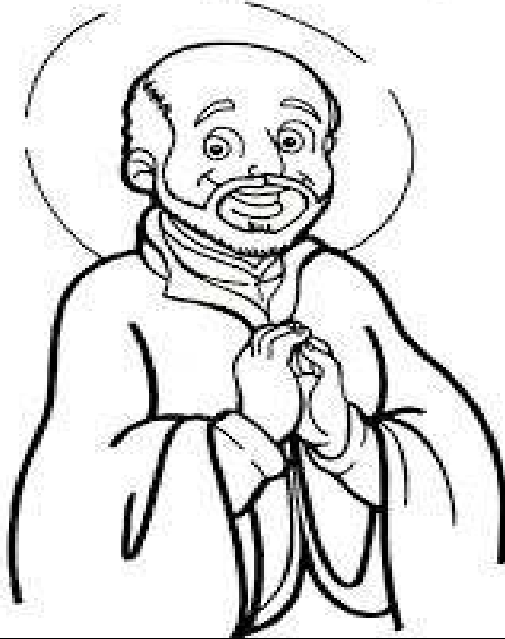
But deliver us from  
evil.

**Amén**



## SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Founder of the Company of Jesus (the Jesuits).



Saint Ignatius was born in Loyola, Spain in 1491 into a noble family, the youngest of 8 children.

He was a soldier and was wounded in battle. While he was recuperating, he started to read the only books he found in the castle, a book about Jesus and a book about the saints. He was so impressed, he decided to imitate them.

Once recuperated, he went on pilgrimage to Our Lady of Montserrat, where he promised to change his life.

He slept in convents and hospices for the poor, praying and doing penance. He hid in a cave for a year in the outskirts, later using this experience to write his "Spiritual Exercises".

Later, while studying theology, together with 6 other students, he made vows of poverty, chastity and to go and spread the Gospel.

## The Company of Jesus

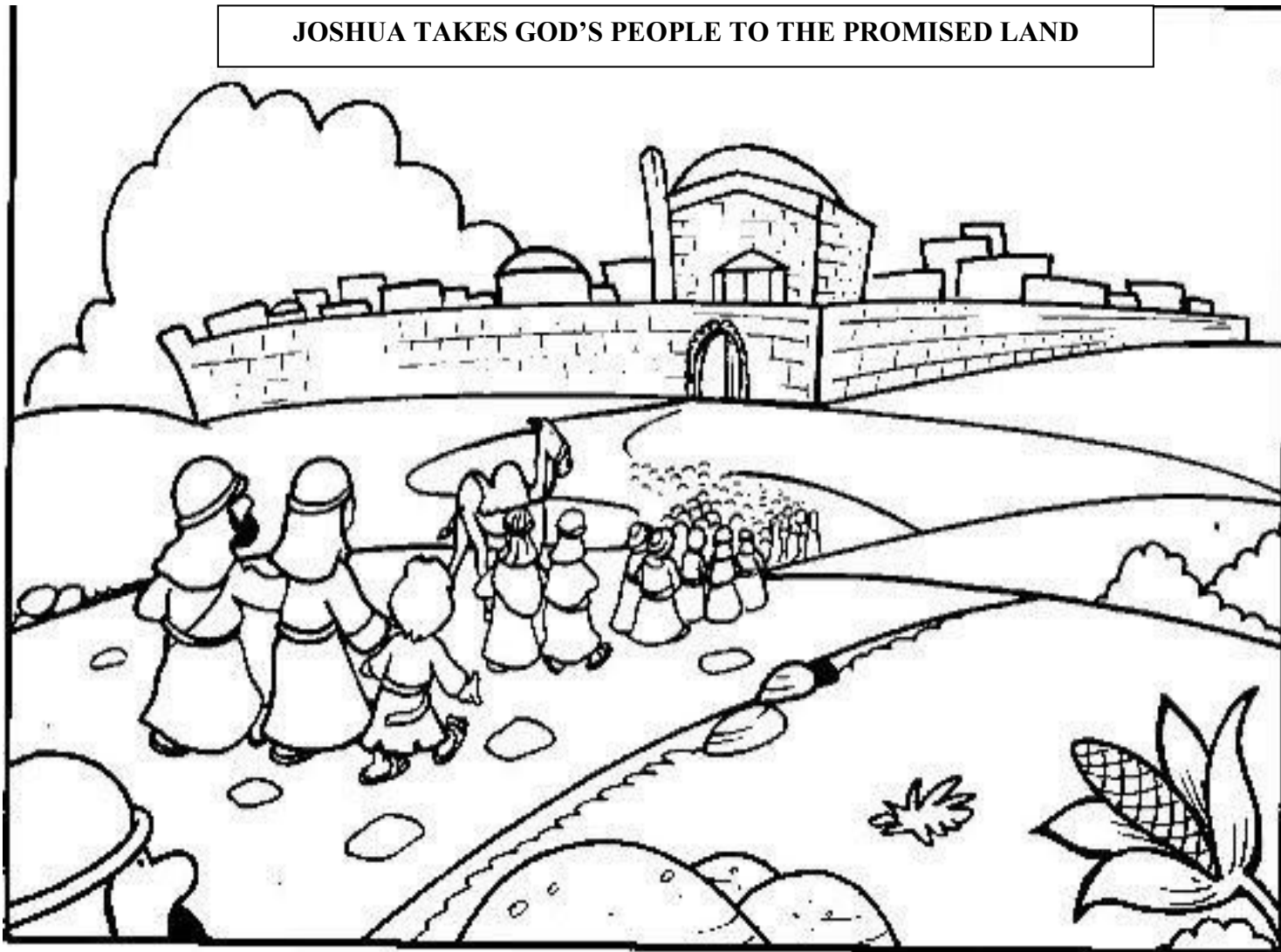
They went to Rome to become servants of God to the Pope. There, the Pope gave Holy Orders to those who were not yet priests. There they chose the name The Company of Jesus, later nicknamed Jesuits. In Rome, St. Ignatius started preaching the Spiritual Exercises and catechized the people. Later, they decided to form a religious order to perpetuate their work. Their vows were poverty, and chastity, adding obedience to imitate the Son of God who was obedient unto death. They vowed to go to save souls wherever the Pope sent them.

The Pope approved the order 9/27/1540. St. Ignatius was the first Superior General. He died in 1556 at 64 years old.





**JOSHUA TAKES GOD'S PEOPLE TO THE PROMISED LAND**



God promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that they would have many descendants and a land flowing with milk and honey. Over time, Moses was gone, and Joshua led the people to inherit the Promised Land. Joshua sent 2 spies to inspect the city of Jericho, but the King found out and sent soldiers to kill the spies. The spies hid in the house of a woman named Rahab. Since they were doing what God asked, God protected them. The spies promised to protect Rahab because she feared God.

Joshua told God's people that God would do a miracle for them, opening the river Jordan; but they must purify themselves to be able to cross. In the same way, we should leave things that are displeasing to God and clean our hearts so we can see His miracles.

In the moment of taking the city, God's people walked around the city once a day for 6 days. On the 7th day, they circled the city 7 times and later yelled loudly, and the walls of Jericho fell allowing them to take the city in God's Promised Land.