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Dear Guides:

May is the month dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Let us focus this month on all the wonderful things our Mother's do for us. Teach them to know and to imitate the virtues of Mary.

The following is a list of special days for this month:

May 01	St. Joseph the Worker
May 03	Feast of the Holy Cross and St. Phillip and St. James the Lesser, Apostles
May 10	St. John of Ávila
May 12	Mother's Day
May 13	Our Lady of Fatima
May 30	Feast Day of the Ascension
May 31	Feast Day of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary

Materials included this month:

1. Calendar
2. Meditations and activities for the Sunday Gospels
3. Dress-up doll of Virgen Mary, craft
4. The Ascension, craft
5. Crown of the Virtues of the Virgin Mary,

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Committee Friends of Jesus and Mary



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER	2	3 DAY OF THE HOLY CROSS PHILLIP AND JAMES THE LESSER, APOSTLES	4
5 III SUNDAY OF EASTER	6	7	8	9	10 ST. JOHN OF AVILA	11
12 IV SUNDAY OF EASTER MOTHER'S DAY	13 OUR LADY OF FATIMA	14	15	16	17	18
19 V SUNDAY OF EASTER	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 VI SUNDAY OF EASTER	27	28	29	30 THE ASCENSION	31 THE VISITATION	

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3rd Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2019

Acts 5, 27b-32. 40b-41; Psalm 29; Revelation 5, 11-14; John 21, 1-19

At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep...Follow me."

Reflection

Resurrected Jesus appears to the disciples for the **third time**, but they do not recognize Him. They had returned to their old profession of fishing and hadn't caught anything. John realizes that it is Jesus speaking to them from the shore. How does he know it is Him? (The miraculous catch.) When did this happen before? (When they first met and followed Him.) How did Peter react to seeing Jesus? (He jumps in the water to reach Jesus quickly.) How did Peter feel? How did the other disciples react? (They arrived dragging the nets full of fish.) When someone you greatly love arrives at your house, how do you react? How do you feel? After giving them bread and fish to eat (Jesus feeds us.), what does Jesus ask Peter **three times**? (Do you love me?) What does Jesus ask of Him? (Tend my Sheep.) What does He mean by this? (Lead my people. Peter was selected to be the first Pope because of His great love of Jesus.) Jesus tells Him, "Follow me." When did He say this before? (The first miraculous catch when He told them they would be fishers of men.) Jesus shows that He is alive and we must change and follow Him. What does Jesus want the most from us? (That we love Him a lot and follow Him.)

Activity

On the second page that follows, cut, color, and write name. Then place one at a time around a picture of Jesus praying: Jesus, I love you very much. Sing the following song.

Prayer

Lord, sometimes you have to repeat things several times before I understand. Help us to know the immense love you have for us. Help us to recognize you in good works. Give us the grace to love you greatly, love each other greatly, and to follow You always. Amen.

Song: I love you Jesus, Odessa Paran

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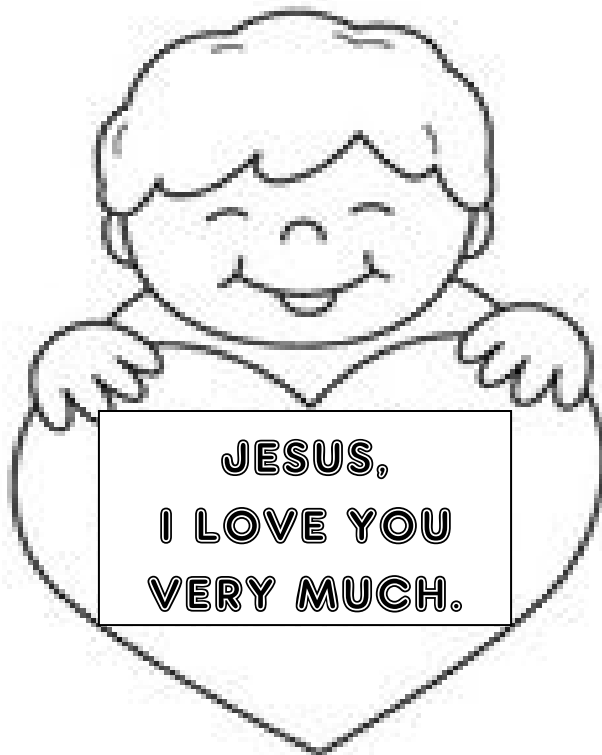
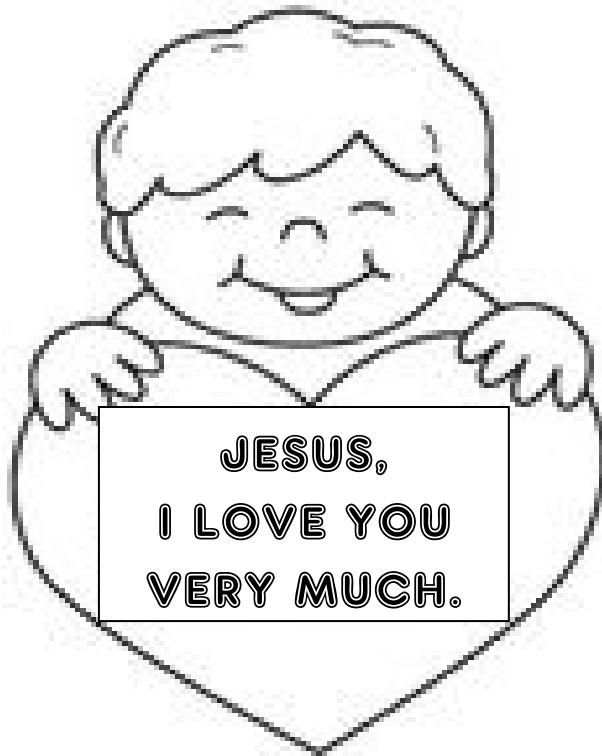
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4th Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2019

Acts 13, 14. 43-52; Psalm 99; Revelation 7, 9. 14b-17; John 10, 27-30

My sheep listen to my voice.

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Reflection

Jesus identifies Himself as our Pastor and we are His sheep. What does a pastor do? (Protects the sheep from danger like wolves; takes them to eat fresh grass and to drink water from the river; returns them to their stable if storms abrupt and to sleep at night; searches for them when they get lost). How are sheep? (obedient, gentle, follow the pastor.) Jesus says that His sheep listen to His voice. How do we listen to Jesus? (When we make silence and speak to Him in our hearts, or listen to the readings and to the priest at Mass.) What does Jesus do for us? (He loves us, takes care of us, guides us, feeds us, searches for us...) Jesus says he gives us a valuable gift. Which one? (eternal life) How do you imagine eternal life with Jesus? Jesus says that we are a gift to Him from God. Do you feel like a special gift? He says that God is above all and that He and God are one. What does this mean? (Jesus is God and is all powerful.)

Activity

On the following page, cut the picture of Jesus and the sheep and paste on a small colored poster board. Color Jesus; cut kid's faces and glue on faces of sheep; glue cotton on sheep. Sing the following song. Play game: Put kids on one end of the class. Take turns asking questions about what would Jesus say, taking steps forward or backwards (cut cards and mix up). The first to reach the other side of the room wins.

Prayer

Jesus, help me to listen to You every day and to follow your voice in my heart. Thank you for taking care of me, guiding me, and loving me always. Amen.

Song: I will follow you, Roy Rantung
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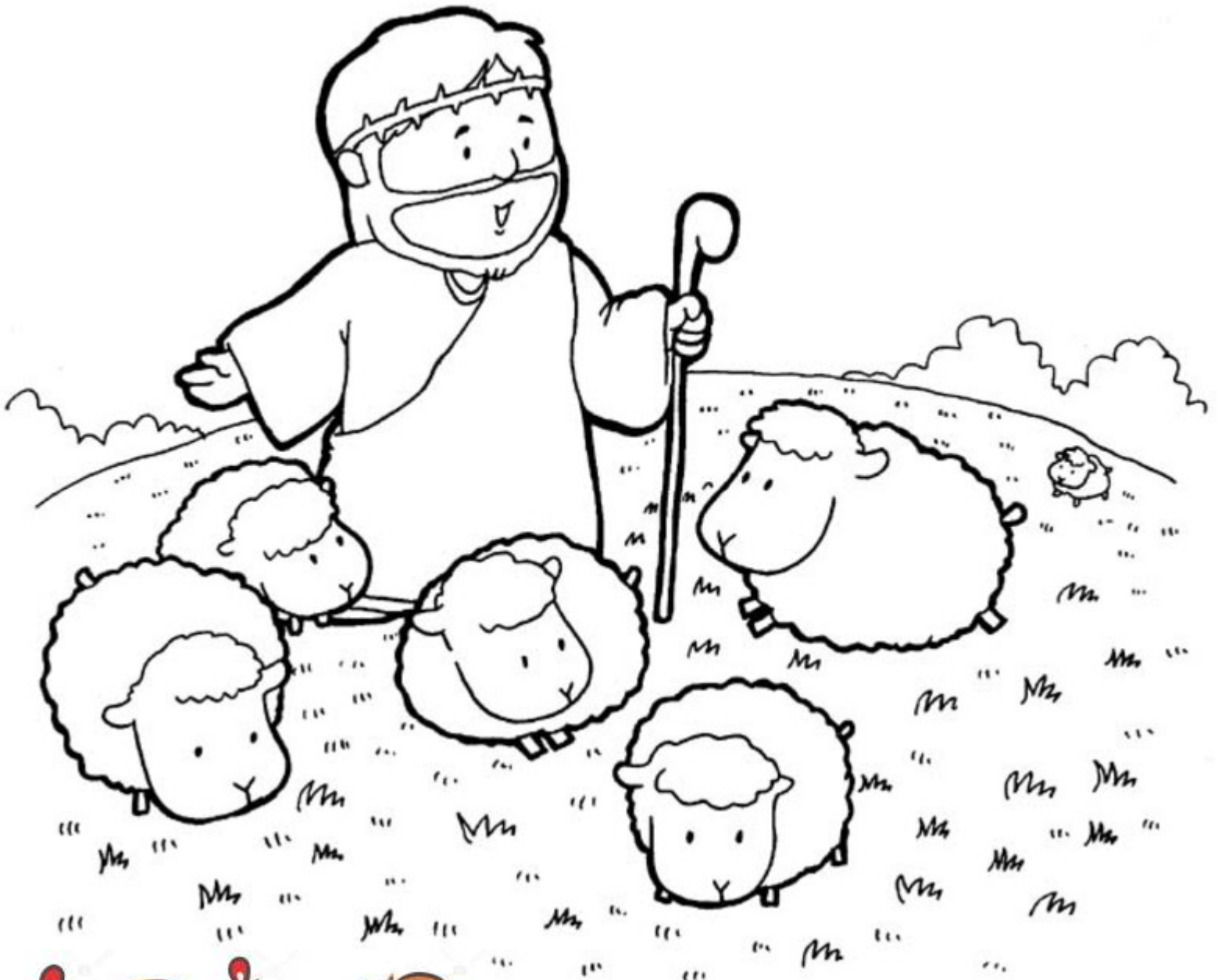




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WHAT WOULD JESUS SAY?

<p>Obey your Parents..</p> <p>4 steps forward</p>	<p>Tell your teacher A lie.</p> <p>2 steps back</p>	<p>Pray for those That hurt you.</p> <p>2 steps forward</p>	<p>Steal that toy.</p> <p>4 steps back</p>
<p>Help the new child in the class.</p> <p>2 steps forward</p>	<p>Make fun of the ugly child.</p> <p>3 steps back</p>	<p>Go to mass with your family.</p> <p>3 steps forward</p>	<p>Talk bad about the disobedient child.</p> <p>2 steps back</p>
<p>Say hello to Someone who ignores you.</p> <p>3 steps forward</p>	<p>Watch that T.V. show your parents forbid you to watch .</p> <p>2 steps back</p>	<p>Forgive someone who hurt you.</p> <p>3 steps forward</p>	<p>Hit your sibling for bothering you.</p> <p>4 steps back</p>
<p>Help your sibling with homework.</p> <p>2 steps forward</p>	<p>Hide the homework So Mom doesn't see it.</p> <p>4 steps back</p>	<p>Pray when you wake up and before going to sleep.</p> <p>2 steps forward.</p>	<p>Pick up your toys.</p> <p>3 steps forward</p>
<p>Give away a toy to someone who has no toys.</p> <p>3 steps forward</p>	<p>Don't let anyone play with your new video game.</p> <p>4 steps back</p>	<p>Call your Grandma to say hello.</p> <p>2 steps forward</p>	<p>Don't answer when your parents call you.</p> <p>2 steps back</p>



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5th Sunday of Easter, May 19, 2019

Acts 14, 21b-27; Psalm 144; Revelation 21, 1-5a; John 13, 31-33a. 34-35

A New Commandment

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Reflection

Jesus confirms again that He and His Father are one. When He is glorified, so is the Father. Consequently, the commandments that Jesus gives, come from God the Father. Jesus gives us a new commandment: that we love one another as I have loved you. How did Jesus love while on earth? (He prayed for them, taught them, cured many, gave many food and drink, forgave sins, visited their homes, suffered and died for all.) How can we love one another as Jesus asked?



Activity

On the following page, draw on the hands, two ways we can love each other. Talk about each word on the fingers and how we can love in each way.

Prayer.

Jesus, you are my great friend. Help me to glorify you by loving my neighbor, especially the one that is most difficult to love. Send your Holy Spirit into my heart and fill it with love. Amen

Song: Love One Another, Dakota Pyle
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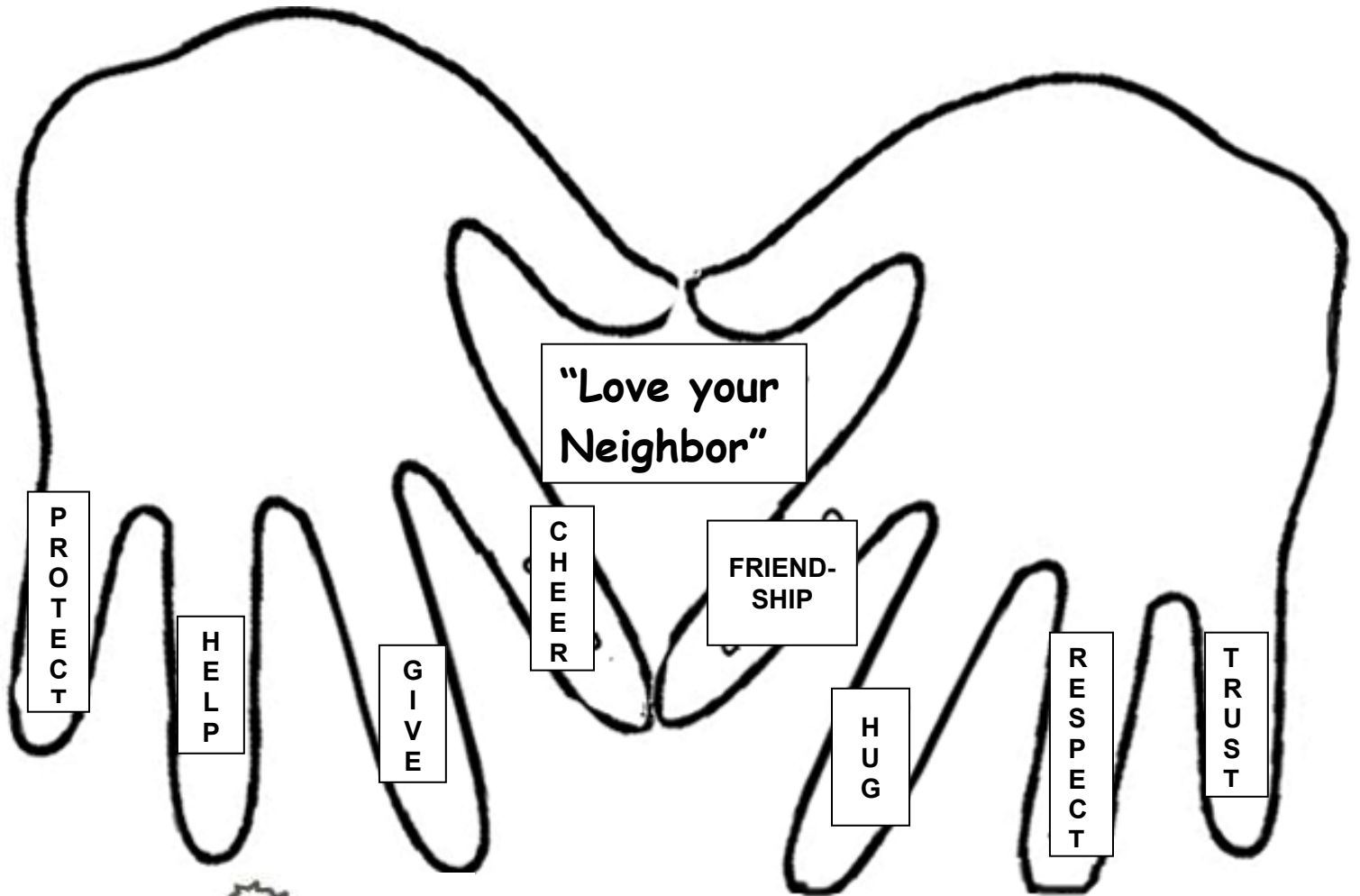


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"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."



"This is how all will know that you are my disciples".
(John 13:34)



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6th Sunday of Easter, May 26, 2019

Acts 15, 1-2. 22-29; Psalm 66; Revelation 21, 10-14. 22-23; John 14, 23-29

"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him..."

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

Reflection

When we love someone, we want to see them happy. Do you want to see your parents and friends happy? Jesus says, if we love Him, we will do what He tells us. Do we want Jesus to be happy? Do we do what He tells us? What does Jesus tell us? Do we do what our parents tell us? Jesus also tells us if we obey Him, His Father will love us and both will live in our heart. He says His words are God the Father's words therefore Jesus and His Father are one. And the Father will send the paraclete, the Holy Spirit, to teach us and remind us of His words. Jesus promised He would return to be with us. Jesus teaches us that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit are one and will stay with us if we are obedient, They give us peace and graces to follow Jesus. Jesus is preparing the apostles for the day the Holy Spirit would come down from Heaven, the day of Pentecost (50 days after Easter).

Activity

Talk about how the Trinity is a mystery of our faith which we don't understand, but we accept. Compare one God, three persons to a triangle: 3 corners, but 1 triangle; or an egg made of 3 parts: yolk, whites, shell, but 1 egg; or a clover: 3 leaves, but one clover.

Prayer

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, thank you for loving us so much. Help us to grow in faith and to accept the mysteries that we don't understand. Help me to love you more every day and to be obedient so my heart is a place where You will feel welcome and happy. Amen.

Song: Trinity Song, Ryan Folken

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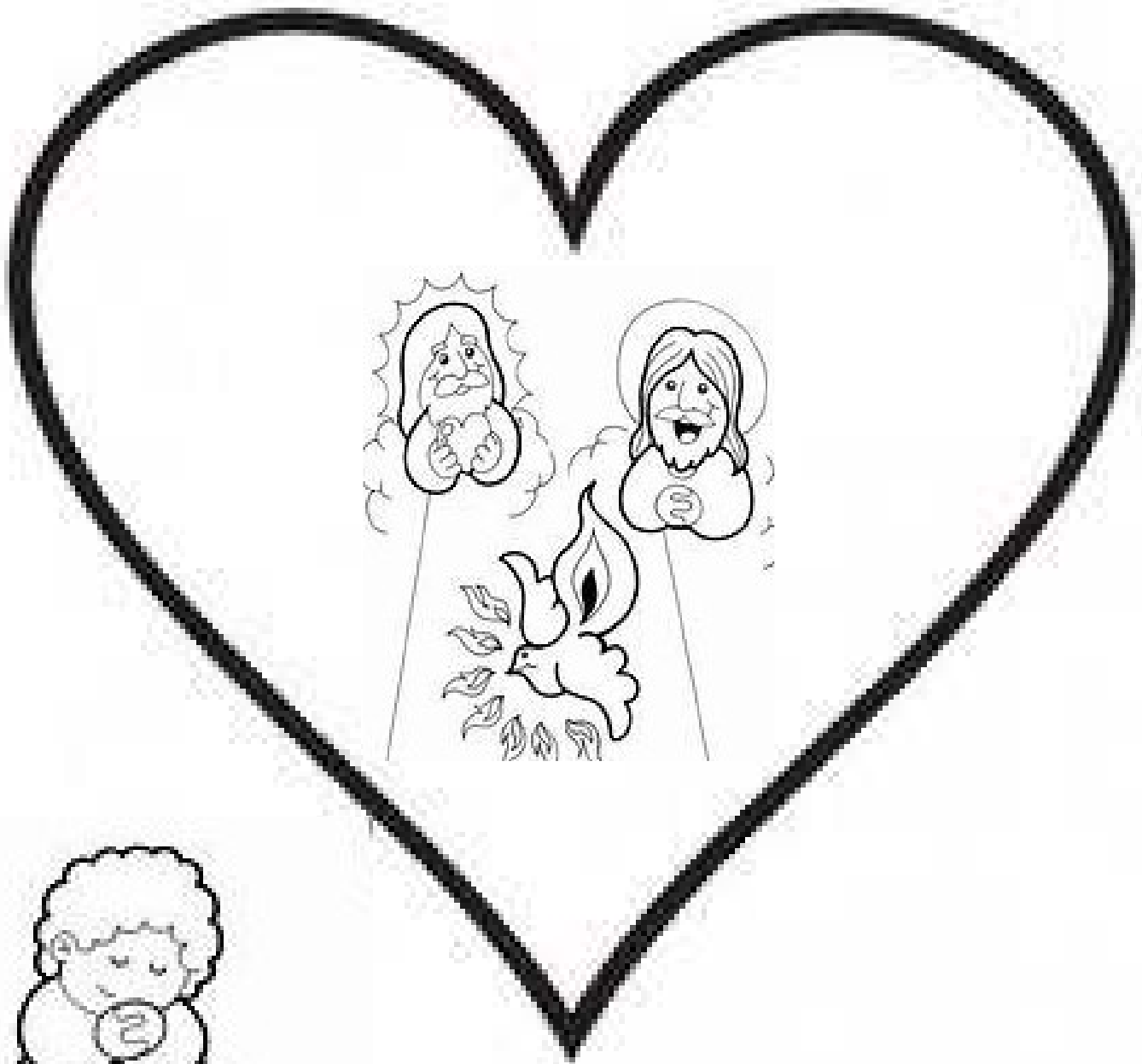


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"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (John 14:23)



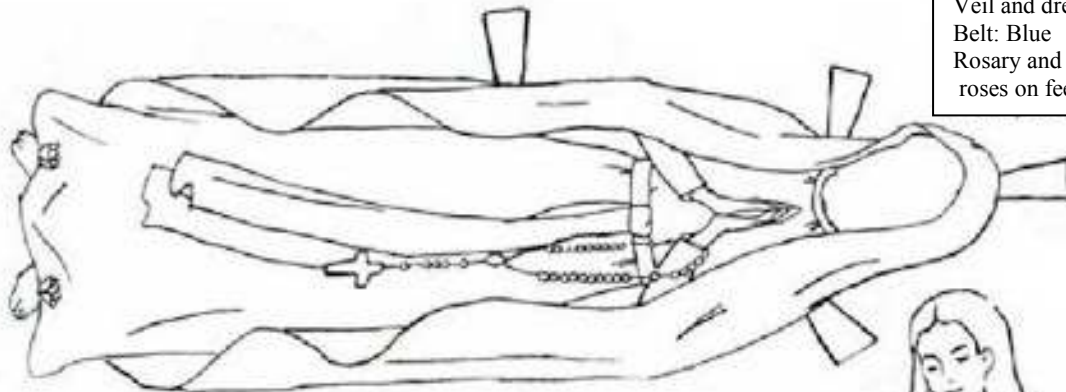
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Our Lady of Lourdes
Veil and dress: White
Belt: Blue
Rosary and
roses on feet: gold



Miraculous Medal
Veil and dress: White
Belt: Gold
Cape: Sky blue



Our Heavenly Mother, the Virgin Mary is one.
Do you want to dress her with the different outfits she wore in her different apparitions?
Ask your guide to tell you her messages from Heaven.

Instructions:
1-Print both pages on card stock.
2-Color the dresses.
3-Cut them carefully
4-Cut the rectangle and insert in the slits to support the base.
5-Have fun dressing the Virgen Mary!



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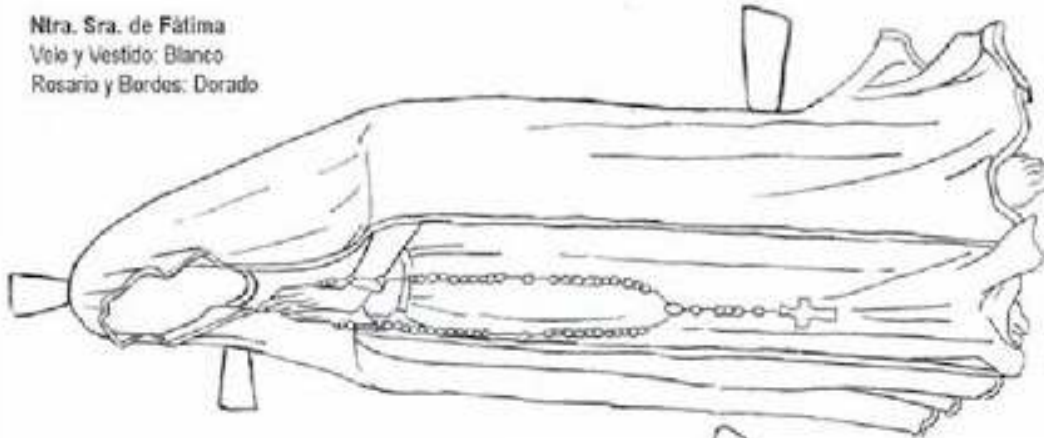
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**THE VIRGIN MARY,
OUR HEAVENLY
MOTHER**



Ntra. Sra. de Fátima
Velo y Vestido: Blanco
Rosario y Bordes: Dorado



Ntra. Sra. de Medjugorje
Velo: Blanco
Vestido: Azul Grisáceo



Ntra. Sra. de Guadalupe
Velo: Azul Aqua
Vestido: Durazno
Cinto: Negro
Estrellas y Bordes: Dorado



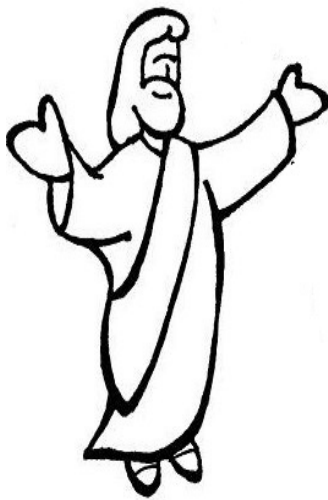
Our Lady of Fatima
Veil and Dress: White
Rosary and Borders: Gold



THE ASCENSION OF JESUS INTO HEAVEN – MAY 30

Then he led them [out] as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God. (Luke 24: 50-53)

Activity: Color and cut Jesus on this page. Tape ribbon (6" long) on back. On the following page, color and cut a horizontal opening in the clouds (about 2.5" wide). Insert ribbon in opening and pull so Jesus ascends into Heaven. Cut the gospel passage and tape to back.



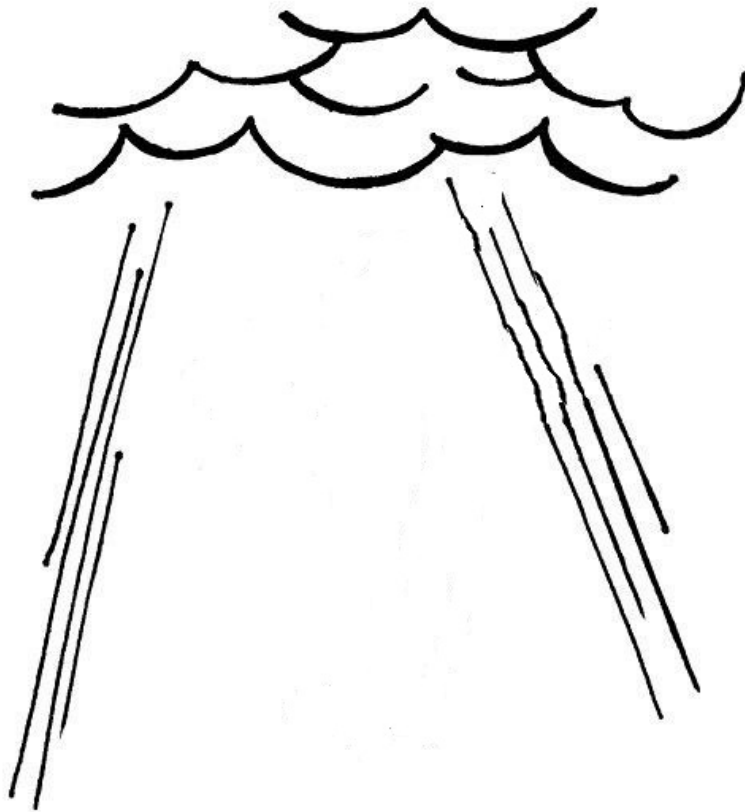


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FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE VIRGEN MARY - MAY 31

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1, 39-45)



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MOTHER MARY,
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Crown of Virtues of the Virgen Mary:

Cut pieces of colored poster board into strips (2"x12"). Tape ends together. Cut Mary and lilies, color and glue onto Crown. The lilies are White representing Mary's purity.

