



Friend of Jesus and Mary

Cycle B – VIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt. 4:32-34,39-40; Psalm 33: 4-5,6,9,10-19,20,22; Rom.8: 14-17; Mat.28:16-20

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the time."

Reflection

Jesus says that God gave Him all the power in Heaven and on earth. He tells them He has the same power as God the Father. Why? (Jesus is God.) But He had to receive that power from the Father. Why? (Jesus is a different person than the Father.) In the same way, Jesus sent another person who has the same power as God because He is God. Who? (The Holy Spirit) God is 1 God in 3 persons. St. Paul says, "The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian life." What is a mystery? (Something that has no explanation or cannot be understood. We believe in the Trinity because of the faith we have in Jesus' words.) Jesus tells His disciples to baptize all the nations in whose name? (In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.) The Holy Trinity is a family that loves infinitely because they are Love. St. Paul reminds us that in Baptism, we enter God's family as His adopted children. We receive the Holy Spirit. Jesus promises to stay with us until the end of time. Where is He? (In the Eucharist, in the Sacraments, in the Christian community, in the Scriptures, and in our heart.) How does Jesus help us? Share



Activity

On the following page, review with the children how to do the sign of the cross and its meaning. On the following pages, choose an activity to help explain the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

Prayer

Lord, you are a family and you show us how to be a family sharing with others with love. Thank you for your promise to be with us always. Strengthen our Family in love with each other. Amen.

Song: Trinity Song, Ryan Folken (Ctrl Click) <https://youtu.be/GnUVjLJ6Kas> (3-7 years)

Holy Trinity, Dania Botha, <https://youtu.be/hBqFyU4xI2s?si=mhj-2610I2pUFIQH> (8+ years)

PPT: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18Z6eQ5pkSluN_iC66qsWN2zVIAhmDcGz/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=115268475267556305384&rtpof=true&sd=true

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Matthew 28:16-20

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- EARTH
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- NATIONS
- FELL
- JESUS
- IN ONE
- ELEVEN
- MOUNTAIN
- NAME
- THREE
- FATHER
- SON
- BAPTISE
- HEAVEN

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THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

We make the sign of the cross on our body.

Why is this important?

Jesus extended his arms on the cross to free us and protect us from all evil in the world because of His great love for us. His suffering and dying on the cross then rising 3 days later opened the gates of Heaven so we can live with Him always. When we make the sign of the cross, we remember Jesus' great love and we ask God to protect us from all evil.

We also remember that God is one in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

We make the sign of the cross before we pray to set our thoughts, our heart, and our will on God; and after we pray so that all that God has given us in prayer remains with us.

The first time we received the sign of the cross was at our Baptism. It is a sign of belonging. We show Jesus and the world that we belong to Him and that we want to follow Him always.



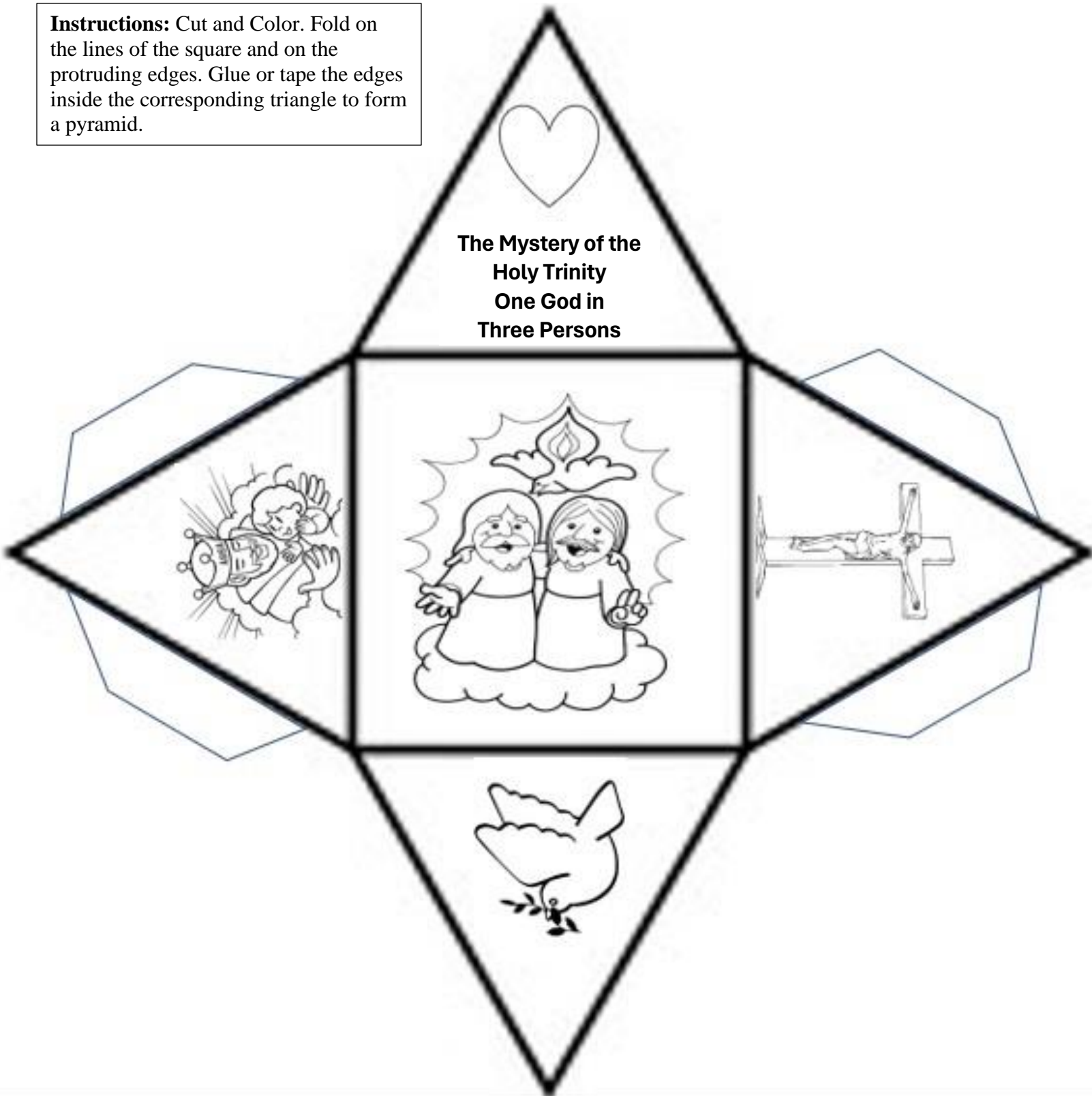


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Instructions: Cut and Color. Fold on the lines of the square and on the protruding edges. Glue or tape the edges inside the corresponding triangle to form a pyramid.



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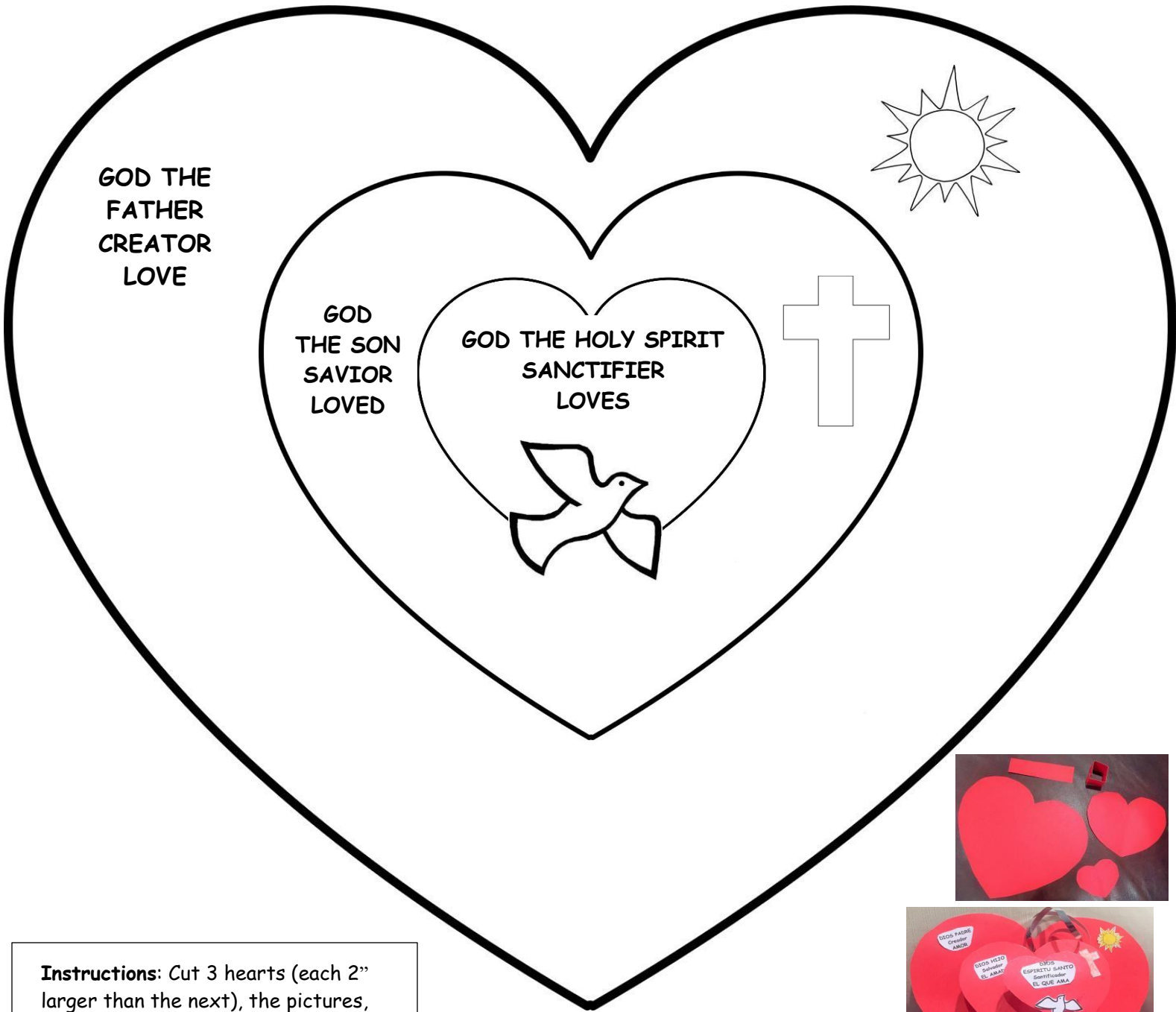


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GOD IS LOVE



Instructions: Cut 3 hearts (each 2" larger than the next), the pictures, and the words. Glue cotton balls between the hearts to separate them. Glue the words and the pictures on the hearts.



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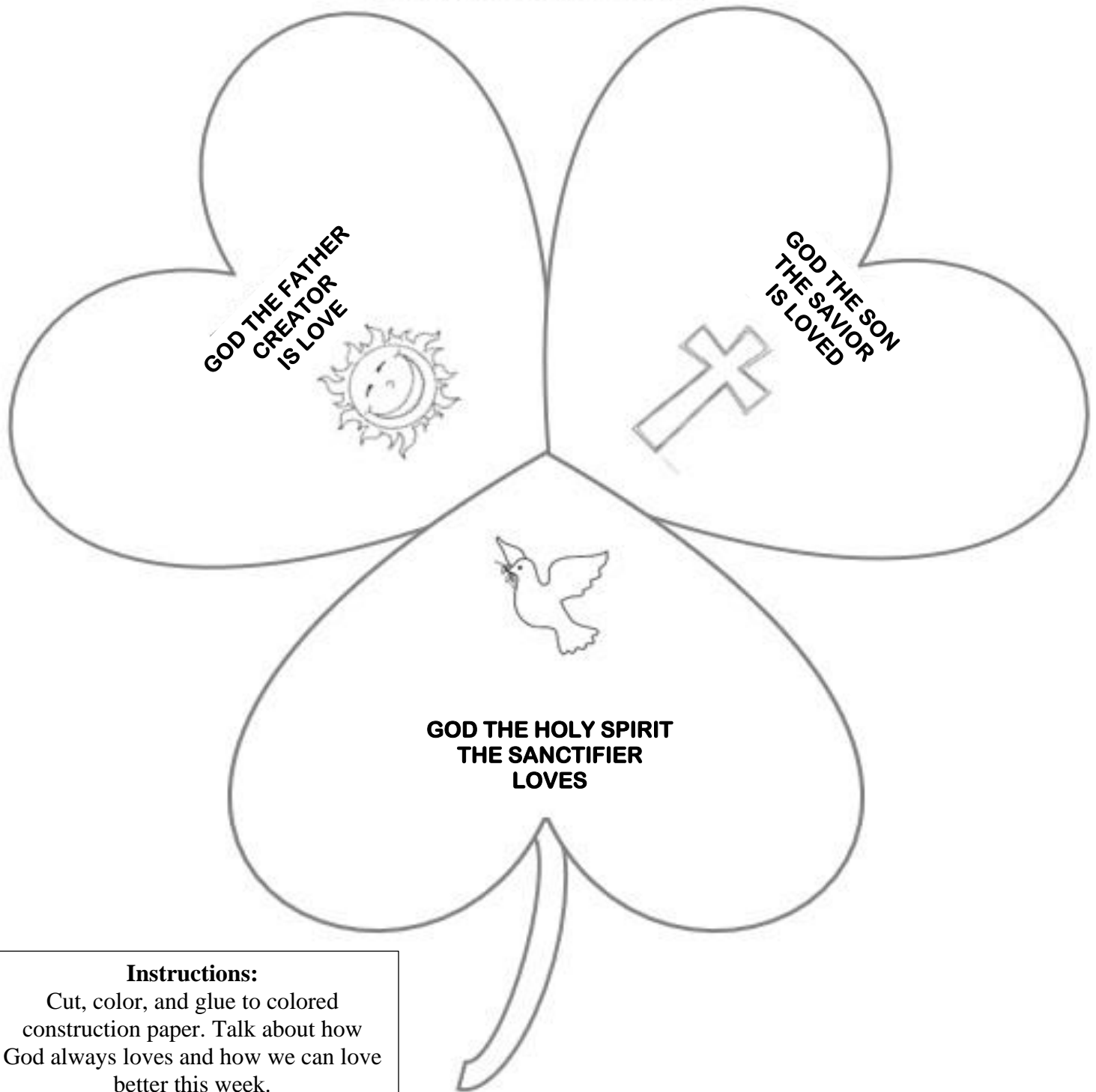


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**GOD IS LOVE – THE HOLY TRINITY
1 GOD IN 3 PERSONS
A Mystery of the Faith**



Instructions:

Cut, color, and glue to colored construction paper. Talk about how God always loves and how we can love better this week.

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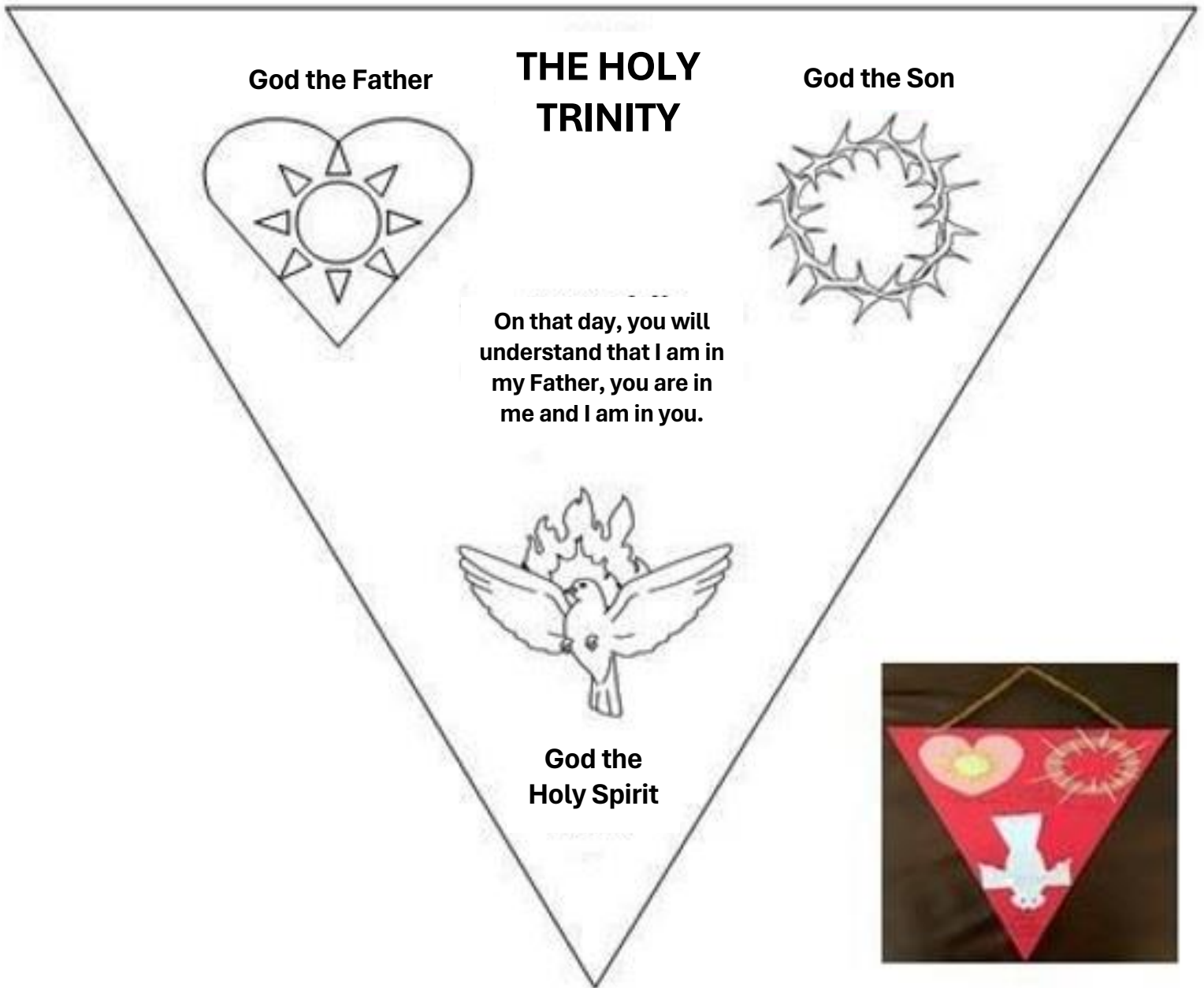
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THE HOLY SPIRIT

God is Love and love must be shared. That is why God is a family: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit – 1 God in 3 Persons. This is a mystery which we cannot understand, but we accept because Jesus told us so and He is Truth.

Instructions: Cut, color, and glue to a colored construction paper, ½” bigger than the picture. Tape a ribbon behind to hand up.





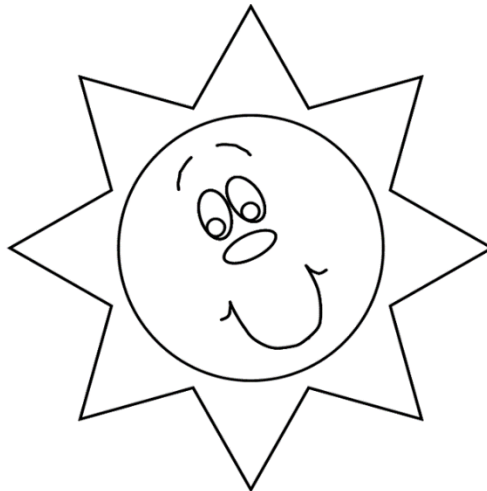
The Holy Trinity

1 God in 3 Persons:

- God the Father-Creator
- God the Son-Savior
- God the Holy Spirit-Sanctifier

Without God, we have no life in our soul which takes us to Heaven.

GOD THE FATHER



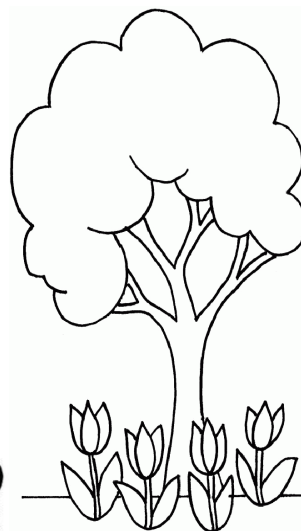
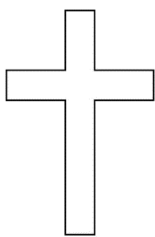
The Sun

1 Sun with 3 Parts:

- Fire-Burns
- Heat-Warms
- Light-Illuminates

Without the sun, the plants, animals and people cannot live. And without God, the universe could not exist.

GOD THE SON



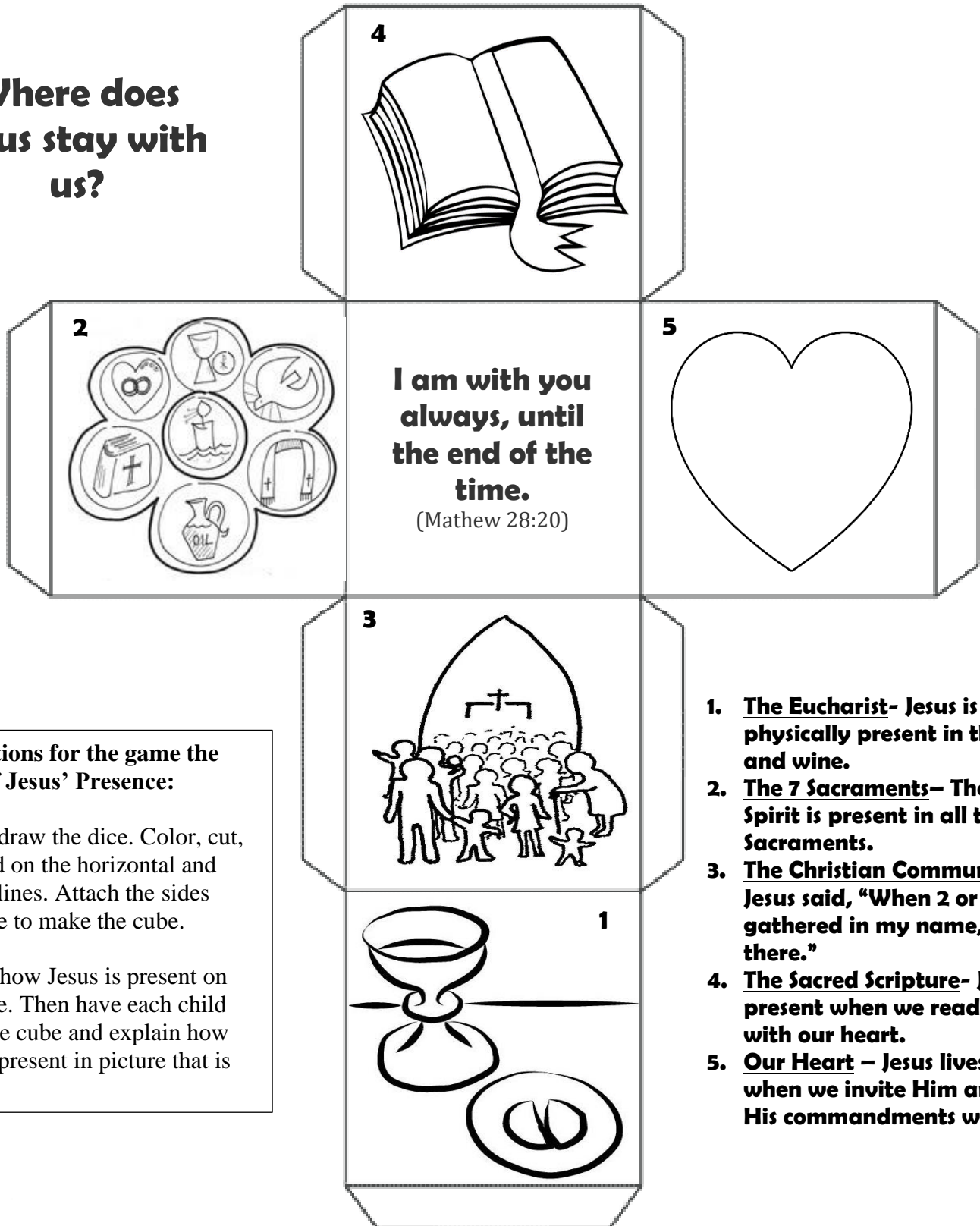
GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT



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Where does Jesus stay with us?



Instructions for the game the Cube of Jesus' Presence:

Print or draw the dice. Color, cut,
then fold on the horizontal and
vertical lines. Attach the sides
with tape to make the cube.

Explain how Jesus is present on
each side. Then have each child
throw the cube and explain how
Jesus is present in picture that is
face up.

- 1. The Eucharist- Jesus is physically present in the bread and wine.**
- 2. The 7 Sacraments- The Holy Spirit is present in all the Sacraments.**
- 3. The Christian Community- Jesus said, "When 2 or more are gathered in my name, I am there."**
- 4. The Sacred Scripture- Jesus is present when we read the bible with our heart.**
- 5. Our Heart – Jesus lives there when we invite Him and follow His commandments with love.**