



THE 4 HOUSES OF JESUS - Craft



Instructions: Fold and cut a brown construction paper in half (the long way-4.25"x5.5") Fold in half, then in half again and attach the 2 ends on the inside with tape to form a cube. Fold the half of paper that is left in half 2 times then cut one of the rectangles and fold in half to make the roof. (Attach with tape inside the cube).

Cut and color the 4 houses with the text at the bottom and glue each to a side of the cube. Glue to the roof: "THE 4 HOUSES OF JESUS."

To double the size, first double the size of the houses, then fold both halves of the papers only once and tape together on both sides. Cut another half like above, cut in half, fold in half, and attach to the top.



- 1) Jesus's 1st house was in the womb of the Virgin Mary. How was that 1st home? It was surely warm and full of love. Mary probably sang and talked to Jesus just like your mom did to you.
- 2) Jesus' 2nd house was in Nazareth, with His mother Mary and His adopted father Joseph. How do you think they lived? Jesús helped His mother and father in everything. Mary and Joseph taught Him many things about God and how to be a carpenter. He played with His friends and prayed often. Did they fight and yell? No! There was a lot of love.
- 3) Jesus' 3rd house is in every Catholic Church in every part of the world. Jesus is hidden in the Eucharist (the Bread of Life) which is kept in the TABERNACLE of the Church. During each Mass, the priest says the special words (the Consecration) and the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus. He is there! The extra bread (the hosts) cannot be thrown away because they are JESUS, so they stay in the tabernacle. We know Jesus is present there when we see the red candle lit nearby. The angels are always with Jesus, adoring and praising Him. He loves it when we visit Him and talk to Him.
- 4) The 4th house where Jesus lives is in our heart. Every time we are in Mass, and when the older kids and adults receive the Eucharist, they receive Jesus into their hearts. But we must prepare our hearts so it's a place where Jesus will feel welcome, warm, and loved. We prepare our hearts by praying often, asking for forgiveness when we disobey, and being kind and loving to all around us.



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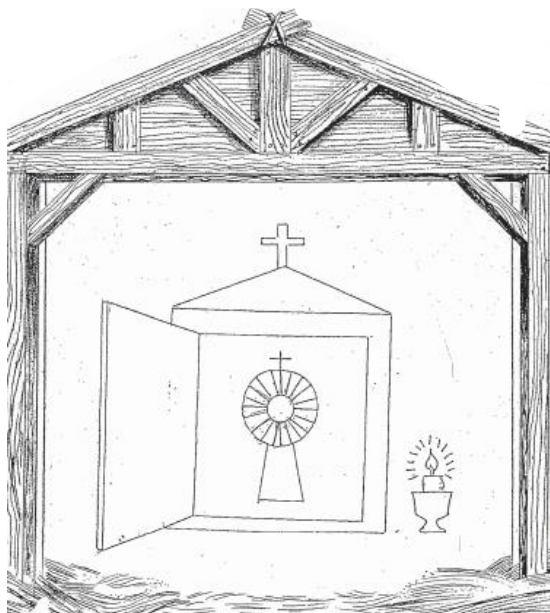
THE VIRGIN MARY

Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary. She cared for Him with much love.



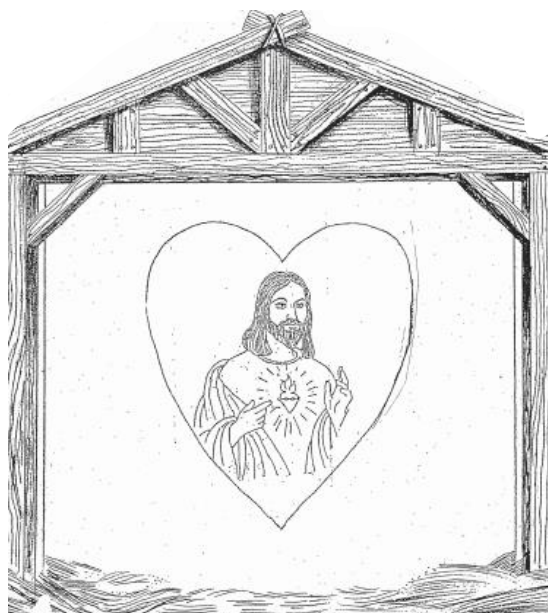
THE HOUSE IN NAZARETH

In Nazareth, Joseph and Mary taught Jesus many things with a lot of love.



TABERNACLE

Before dying, Jesus promised to stay with us always. He stayed in the Living Bread, the Eucharist. He lives in the tabernacle at Church. When the red candle is lit, He is there. He awaits us.



MY HEART

Jesus also lives in the heart that invites Him, loves Him, and Follows Him.
COME JESUS TO MY HEART.