



COLLECTION – Week of Feb. 6-12

Adult Envelopes = \$1,410.00
 Loose Plate = \$145.00
 Children's Envelopes = \$1.00
 OND Subscriptions = \$10.00
 Building Fund = \$30.00
 Memorials to Roof Fund = \$135.00

In memory of Raymond Doran given by Violet Anderson
 In memory of Ron Laddusaw given by Steve & Kathy Johnston,
 Roy & Bev Samuelson, and Keith & Jean Rockwell

Electronic Giving:
 General = \$529.00
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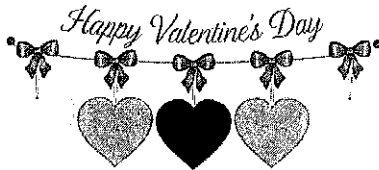
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Remember in your prayers all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength and those who have asked for our prayers, especially Ray Grommesh (father of Dawn Chisholm), Jeff Ruhland (nephew of Jeanette Erickson), Bill Johnson, Tanga Calhoun (mother of Joe Dickson), Randy Rasmussen (father of Sara Diaz), Ed Kees (uncle of Sara Diaz), Mila Caitlin Waletich, Laurie Dodd (sister of Sandy Maydole), Theresa Anderson (daughter of Violet Anderson), Chuck McDonald, Mike Ford, Jerry & Pat Wallace, Lisa Wallace Holly (brother & sister-in-law and niece of Judy Anderson, Joan Wang, & Sue Bjerke), Sara Lee Cook (sister of Margaret Ristvedt & Chuck McDonald), Gloria Gunderson, Daniel Cartwright, and Preston Calhoun (step-father of Joe Dickson). If you are aware of someone who should be added to the prayer list, please contact the parish office.

ROSARY is prayed before Mass each Sunday morning beginning at 10:05 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is offered in our parish on Mondays from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Prepare and Share Freezer Meal Ministry – Do you know someone in our parish in need of support emotionally, physically, or spiritually? St. Andrew's "Prepare and Share" outreach ministers to those in need by delivering home-made meals to families and individuals for use when it works best for them. Please direct questions and referrals to Jane VanHavermaet at jane.vanhavermaet@gmail.com, 218-790-4530.



TODAY'S GOSPEL READING



Good news is more powerful than any combustion engine. If we could bottle the energy contained in a new grandparent's desire to show baby pictures or a bride to share wedding plans, we'd have an inexhaustible energy supply. Try to silence them and joyous tidings will still come bubbling off their tongues. The leper healed by Jesus felt the same way. Healed, but commanded to silence, he probably had the best of intentions to Jesus' request. But this newly healed believer just couldn't bear

it. He had to share the good news, "Jesus heals, Jesus saves!" Today as we celebrate that same eternal source of good news, let's catch the leper's contagious enthusiasm: Get out and tell somebody!

STEWARDSHIP

"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."
 - 1 Corinthians 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "Am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"



VOCATION

"Do everything for the glory of God." Your vocation is to give glory to God through your very being. Is He choosing you to be a priest or consecrated religious?

PREPARING FOR LENT

Anticipation is often a big part of our lives. Remember the anticipation you have felt before a family vacation or anniversary. Consider taking time before Lent begins this year to contemplate: *What does God want to give me this year?* This question may require that I slow down a bit and listen to my inner spirit. For example, even if I'm very busy, I realize I'm hungry when I hear my stomach start "growling." *What am I going to be doing on Ash Wednesday?* Too often, Ash Wednesday is like every other day, except that I manage to get to church and get ashes on my forehead. Is there anything else I can do on Ash Wednesday? How will fasting and abstaining happen for me and for my family on that special day?

Don't give up Chocolate for LENT

This Lent, do something different. Join our parish for **BEST LENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is designed to help you have a life-changing event. Sign up at BestLentEver.com.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

On Ash Wednesday this special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Please be generous to the collection. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/cee.

ASH WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 17
MASS TIMES
7:00 p.m. – St. Andrew's
9:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. – St. Elizabeth's

We will celebrate Ash Wednesday on February 17

Due to Covid19, there will be a few things we will do differently during our Lenten celebrations. For the distribution of ashes, instead of having the minister trace a cross on your forehead (skin to skin contact), **ashes will be sprinkled on the top of your head**. This is actually an ancient practice of the church and some religious communities still do it this way.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – ST. ANDREW'S



Note that we will have more times for confessions since we will not have a communal reconciliation service during Lent. Please try to utilize these offered times.

Saturday, February 20----- 12 noon-3 p.m.
 Sunday, February 28----- 12-4 p.m.
 Saturday, March 6----- 12-3 p.m.
 Sunday, March 14----- 12-4 p.m.
 Saturday, March 20----- 12-3 p.m.
 Sunday, March 28----- 12-4 p.m.
 Wednesday, March 31----- 4-7 p.m.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS



We express our sympathy and prayers to Dan & Kaye Matson and family on the loss of Dan's mother, Florence Matson (95). A Private Family Service will be held for Florence, and a funeral will be scheduled in the spring. We also express our sympathy and prayers to Tim & Deanna Langseth and family on the loss of Tim's grandmother, Cleo Langseth (93). Her funeral was held on Friday in Fergus Falls. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Last year our diocese was unable to reach the overall goal. But even facing the obstacles that we did, with people absent from the pews, cautious, facing job losses and on the tail of a very tough season for our farmers, the faithful in the diocese of Crookston made contributions of an outstanding 95 percent of the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal goal. Thank you and please be generous once again! For more information about how your gifts are used go to www.crookston.org/DAA. And do not forget to share your prayer requests! *Where there is faith, there is hope!*

FREE for the Taking

We have a 12 ft. artificial Christmas tree and many strings of white lights to give away. If you are interested in any of these items, please contact Mary at the church office (483-4264).

STUDENTS CELEBRATE 1ST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations! The following 2nd grade students celebrated their 1st Reconciliation this past weekend:



Rylee Anderson	Ezra Lee
Matthew Boucher	Levi Polley
Logan Dickson	Adley Underdahl
Easten Kolbinger	Amelia Vetter

Please remember the entire class in your prayers as they continue to prepare for 1st Eucharist scheduled for April 25.

Sympathy to Carol Laddusaw – If anyone would like to send cards to Carol in Arizona, please contact the parish office for her address – 218-483-4264 or parish@standrewshawley.org.

MEN OF THE DIOCESE OF CROOKSTON **ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO BE A DEACON?**

If you wish to explore a vocation as a Permanent Deacon, the next formation group will begin in the Fall of 2021. The Diocese will be holding two more *Discerning the Diaconate* zoom sessions for men who want to find out more about diaconate discernment and ministry. Each session will be an opportunity for men, and their wives if married, to hear from deacons, wives of deacons, and the Director of Formation (Dcn. Mark Krejci) about the ministry of the deacon and the formation program. They will be held via zoom on:

Saturday - February 20 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Monday - April 5 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

If you wish to join one of these sessions, or if you have any questions about the diaconate, email Dcn. Mark at mkrejci@crookston.org. You are also strongly encouraged to talk with your pastor as well as deacons you may already know.

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

The Diocese of Crookston is moving forward with plans to hold high school and middle school camps this summer.

The ***St. Teresa of Calcutta Camp*** for students entering grades 9 and 10 will be held June 20–24, and the ***St. John Paul II Camp*** for students entering grade 7 and 8 will be held July 18–22. Both will take place at Oak Hills College, 1600 Oak Hills Road Southwest, Bemidji.

COVID-19 protocols throughout the camps will align with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control, Minnesota Department of Health and Oak Hills College. Registration for St. Teresa of Calcutta Camp will open online Jan. 26 at 9 a.m. Registration for St. John Paul II Camp will open Feb. 2 at 9 a.m. Each camp costs \$275 per camper or \$250 per camper for two or more members of the same family attending either camp. A down payment of \$50 per camper must be submitted at the time of registration.

CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER

621 First Ave, South in Buffalo, MN 55313.

To register for upcoming retreats, visit www.kingshouse.com or call (763) 682- 1394.

Hospice of the Red River Valley is offering several different Fall Virtual Grief Classes. These classes are intended for those who have experienced a loss. All programs are free and open to the public, but registration is required prior to each class date. Please call 800-237-4629 and ask to speak to a member of the grief support department.

Job Opening – Director of Liturgy

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Moorhead, MN – a vibrant parish of 1,600 families – is seeking a full-time director of liturgy. Responsibilities include: coordinate weekend and school Masses; coordinate and train liturgical ministers; plan funerals, wake services, weddings, etc.; direct the school and parish children's choirs; and work closely with our part-time music director. The ideal candidate must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church, have a degree in theology, liturgy, or the equivalent experience, and have excellent organizational and communication skills. Keyboard skills not required. The position is open on July 1, 2021; however, the position can begin May 1, 2021, to ensure a smooth transition.

Submit cover letter, resume, and references by March 15 to: Search Committee; 218 10th St. S., Moorhead, MN 56560 or e-mail: knoel@stjoesmhd.com. Interviews will begin April 6, 2021. A full job description will be given to candidates once their application is received.

WE'RE GOING VIRTUAL

The St. Joseph's 19th Annual Dinner Dance Auction will once again be hosting our largest fundraiser as a virtual event. This year we will have several new additions to make it the best one yet. Mark your calendars for the evening of **March 21**. Check it out at www.stjoes21.givesmart.com. *Register now, then check out our auction items later. Online auction officially opens March 15.

Mental Health Crisis Response – Call Lakes & Prairies if you or someone you know is at risk of harming self or others, expressing thoughts of suicide, experiencing severe stress that results in a significant decline in daily and/or family functioning, or you just don't know what else to do! Free help is available over the phone or in person 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 1-800-223-4512.

Esto Vir! is a vocation camp for young men entering their sophomore year of high school through young adulthood. This camp is an opportunity for those men who may be open to the priesthood to come together and spend some days in community with each other and the seminarians of the diocese. The camp includes games, lakeside recreation, Mass, prayer, food, and fellowship.

Camp Dates: July 7-9, 2021 (Wednesday – Friday)

Registration deadline: Monday, June 21, 2021

Location: Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp (Fosston, MN)

Cost: FREE!

CARING CLOSET – FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We offer gently used children's clothing and shoes to anyone at no charge. Everyone is welcome. We provide bags to put clothing in to take home. We don't offer diapers. We are open the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Our location is First United Methodist Church: 906 1st Ave S in Fargo. (use West entrance).

To Donate Clothing and Shoes

We also accept donations of gently used children's clothing and shoes. Please bring items to 906 1st Ave S, Fargo between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – Monday-Friday. Office phone number is 232-1146. Donations receipts are available. If you have any question, please call Eileen: 701-793-8226 or Cynthia 701-200-3189.

Happy
Valentine's
Day

I have loved you
with an everlasting love

-- God



Week of February 14-20

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday's Readings

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Psalm 32

1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1
Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, [Jesus] stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately.

Firm Up the Foundation

Sunday's First Reading came from the book of Leviticus, the Old Testament book that contains hundreds of laws every Jew must follow.

The skin disease of leprosy was widespread in Biblical times. It was such a serious threat to the health of the people that managing it is/was part of Jewish Law.

This is an example of the laws meant to protect the Jews from harm rather than being direction for worship or prayer (more below)

Spread Sunday's News

Leprosy was a double affliction for those who became stricken with it. Not only was the disease progressive, causing loss of life and limb, but it also meant immediate isolation (including women and children) from everyone, including family.



So the leper who approached Jesus was taking a big chance coming out into the open. When Jesus touched the man, he demonstrated that he was not only unafraid of leprosy, but also not concerned about acting contrary to Jewish laws of purification. What began as pity turned into action, no matter what the cost to himself. All of us must be ready to take action or else our pity is useless.

According to Jewish law, after Jesus touched the man, he had to go through rites of purification, not only to protect himself, but the rest of the community. (See **First Reading from Leviticus.**)

At the end of the story, notice that Jesus changed places with the leper. Jesus helped the leper, previously separated from society return to people. Now JESUS is the one who is looking for solitude.



(January 23 is the feast of St. Marianne Cope and May 10 is the feast of St. Damien Joseph de Veuster of Molokai, both known for the ministry of caring for people with leprosy.)

Just Wondering ...

Children do a lot of begging. When they won't give up, it can be quite annoying, and they learn quickly how such behavior can produce the results they are seeking—WE give in. There are many Gospel stories where someone repeatedly asks Jesus for something, and he eventually gives in to him or her.

Gospel stories like this one provide examples of persistent prayer. Without people who persist in asking for things, nothing will change in our world. We must choose our causes and learn to stick to our convictions no matter how long it takes to get results.

Prayer is the same. We keep asking God for many things, and we know God is always listening.



Mardi Gras and Lent

Tuesday is Mardi Gras (*Fat Tuesday*). Have a special treat together. After the treat, ask for help redecorating the **Prayer Zone** for Lent. Ask the children to help you decide what to use.

- Have the children make or decorate some purple crosses in a size suitable for hanging in the **Prayer Zone** or somewhere at home. (A pattern for some small crosses is available on the Internet.)
- While they decorate their crosses, they should think about what they will be doing during Lent to prepare for Easter.
- Invite them to place a symbol of this promise on the cross so that each time they look at their cross they will be reminded of their promise.
- Direct the children to take their cross home and use it to decorate their rooms, the fridge, or another place where they will be seen.

(After Easter, replace the purple crosses with white ones, letting it be a surprise that children will find the first day they return to school after Easter. Each child can write the word Alleluia on his/her own Easter cross.)

Challenge



Next time you notice someone struggling to carry something (maybe your mother trying to carry in groceries), ask courteously if there is something you can do to help him or her.

In Christ, I Can ...

Jesus took pity on the leper and healed him. When I feel pity for someone, I know I should...



Do I want others to pity me? Why or why not?

For All the Saints

February 21

**St. Peter Damian, O.S.B.,
1007-1072**



Peter was the youngest in a large family. When his parents died, he went to live with one of his brothers who treated Peter like a slave. Eventually another brother stepped in and made sure Peter went to school.

He became an excellent student, and soon found himself teaching.

Because he knew what it was like to be alone and hungry, he often invited the poor to come and eat with him.

Searching for a quiet, simple life, Peter joined a Benedictine monastery (see Pope St. Gregory the Great [September 3], and St. Bede [May 25]). At times he got so involved in praying and writing that he did not eat or sleep.

He became the head of the monastery and was active in the reformation of his community as well as others. In fact, because of the many invitations requesting his help, he traveled extensively.

When Peter was made cardinal-bishop of Ostia, he found himself involved not only in Church matters but in secular conflicts as well. He was involved in reforms within the Church, especially in the religious life of convents and monasteries.

Following his retirement, Peter went back to the monastic life. He died from a fever while his fellow monks were praying the Divine Office.

Fifty-three of his sermons and some of his written biographies have survived. Peter was also gifted at writing liturgical offices. (Named a Doctor of the Church in 1828 by Pope Leo XII.)

The Comfort Zone

- Gather in the **Prayer Zone**.
- Pray for sick members of the children's families.
- Pray for ALL those who are sick, especially people in your parish and Religious Education communities and anyone listed in the parish bulletin.
- Pray for all health care workers and those who provide care for sick family members at home.
- Pray for scientists and lab workers who are trying to find cures for diseases and permanent injuries.
- Pray for widows and widowers coping with the loss of a spouse.
- Pray for families of our soldiers, especially for husbands and wives and children who are separated because of military service.
- Close with the following prayer.



Lord Jesus, I pray that all people with skin disorders, and all who are affected by diseases, will be healed and live without suffering. Amen.

Next Sunday's Good News

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."



Mark 1:14-15

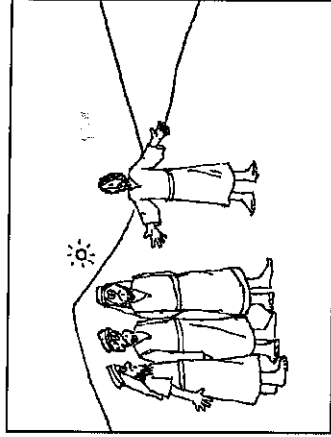
Think about ...

Which of the above directions from Jesus is the most difficult for you to do?

Elijah and Moses disappeared.
Jesus asked the disciples
not to tell anyone what they had seen.

Put the pictures in order.

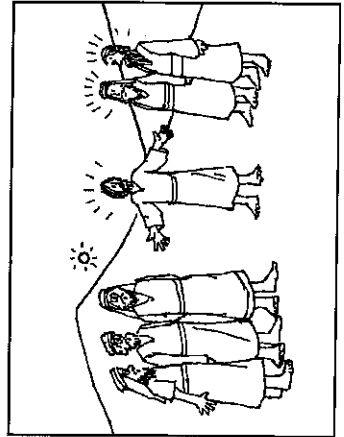
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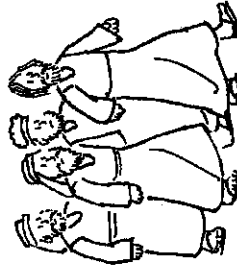
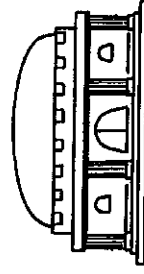
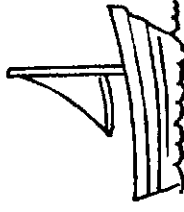
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The Transfiguration of Jesus

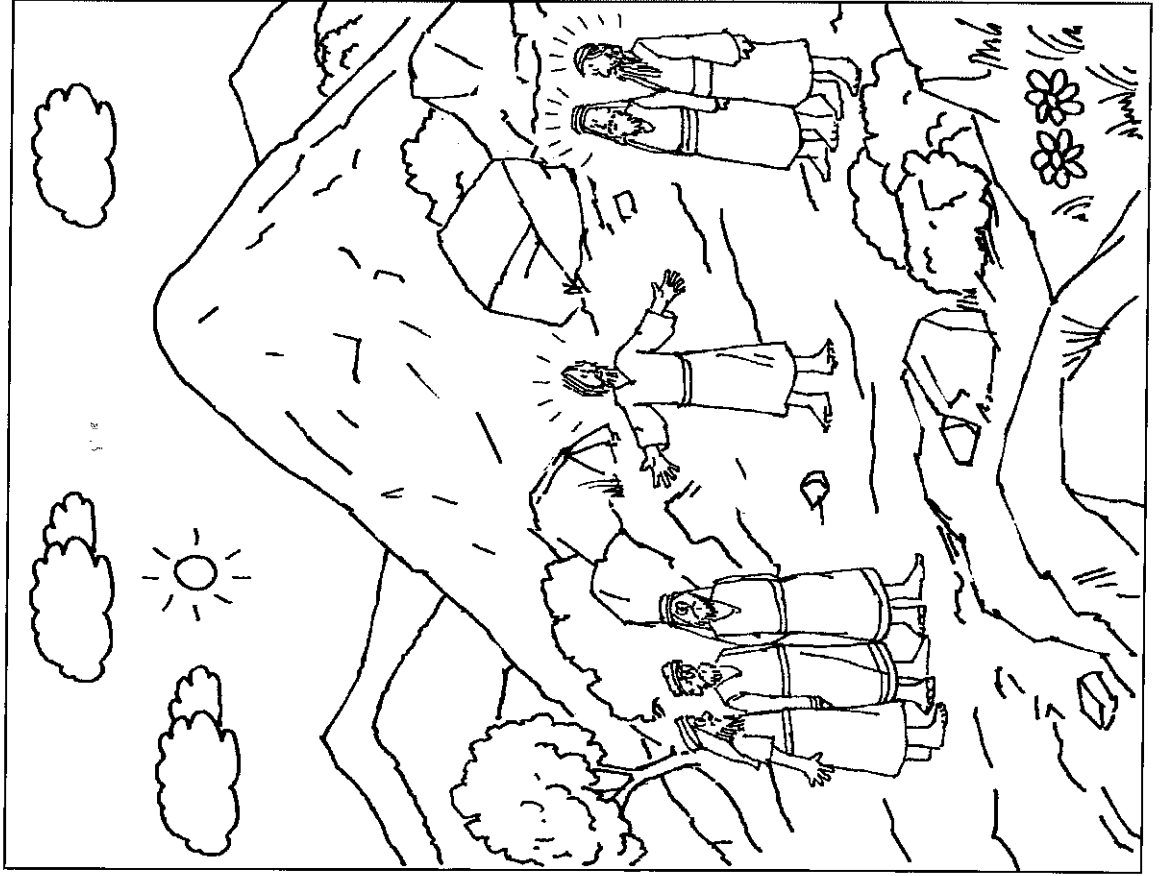
Jesus took Peter, James and John
up a high mountain.

Draw a line to the mountain. - - - - -



Jesus' clothes became white.
Elijah and Moses suddenly were there.

Find Elijah and Moses.

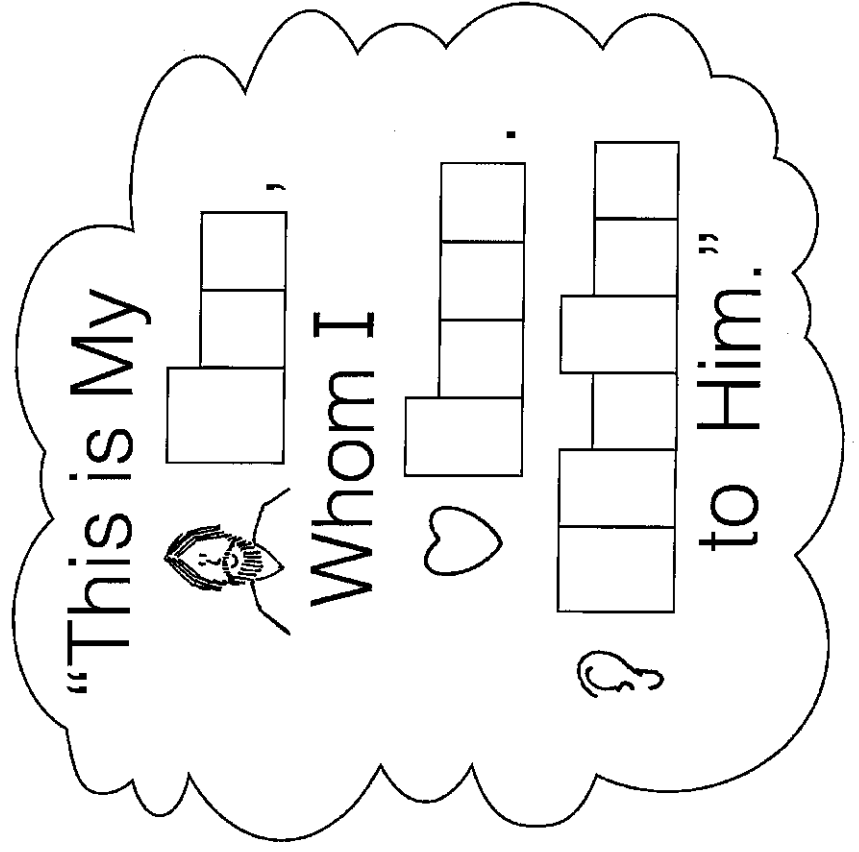


A cloud appeared and covered them.
God said ...

Use the picture code.

? Listen

Son ♡ I love



The Good News for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time is...

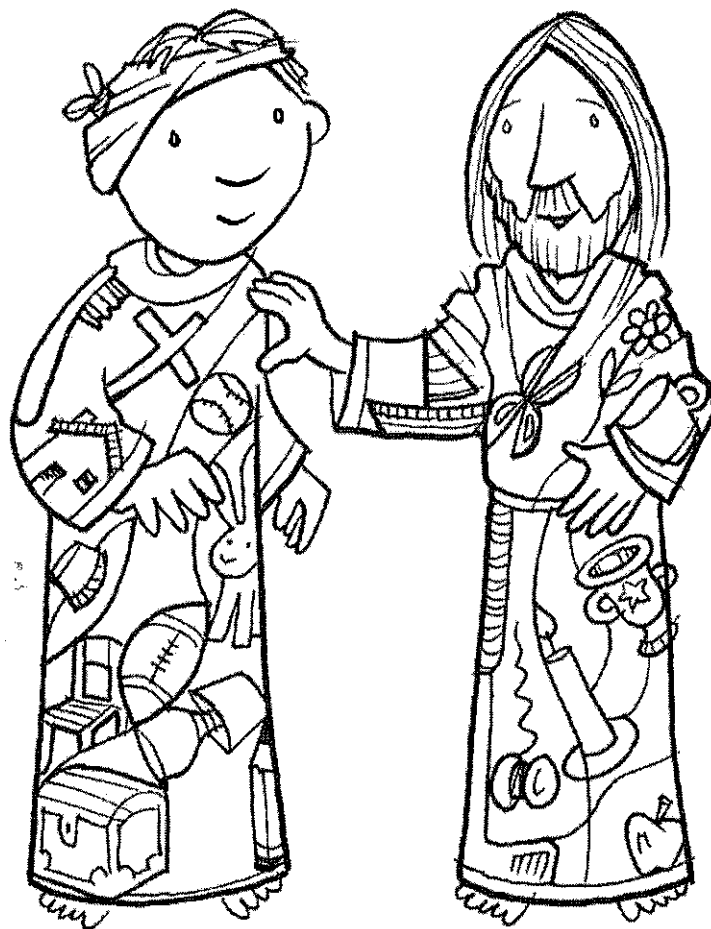
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Mark 1:41-42a

Jesus Heals a Leper

Find the 20 items below hidden in the robes of Jesus and the man Jesus is healing.

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| 1. apple | 8. flower | 15. sailboat |
| 2. baseball | 9. football | 16. scissors |
| 3. bunny | 10. golf club | 17. toothbrush |
| 4. candle | 11. hat | 18. treasure chest |
| 5. chair | 12. house | 19. trophy |
| 6. cross | 13. lamp | 20. yo-yo |
| 7. cup | 14. pencil | |



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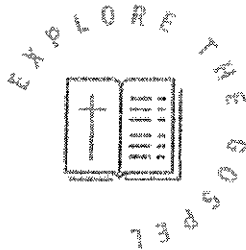
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LV 13:1-2, 44-46

PS 32:1-2, 5, 11

1 COR 10:31-11:1



The Cleansing of a Leper

Mk 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said,
“If you wish, you can make me clean.”

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand,
touched him, and said to him,

“I do will it. Be made clean.”

The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything,
but go, show yourself to the priest
and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed;
that will be proof for them.”

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter.
He spread the report abroad
so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.
He remained outside in deserted places,
and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

MEET OUR
EXTENDED FAMILY



St. Lucy Yi (Feast Day February 19)
December 9, 1815
Zhenmei - February 19, 1862

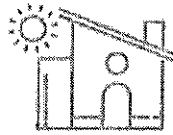
Lucy Yi was born in 1815 in China. Lucy was the youngest child in her family and was very dedicated in her prayer life. At the age of 12, she decided to consecrate her life to God. She loved reading and learning. When she was 20 years old and pursuing her college education she fell ill. After her recovery

Lucy took her spiritual life still more seriously. She knew she could not leave her family to become a nun because they needed her financial help. Instead, she prayed daily and worked to support them. After her father died, she lived with her brother and mother, using part of her time to teach the faith to children nearby. Lucy Yi later became a missionary, and while on a mission trip in 1862, she entered a region that was hostile to Christians. The local governor imprisoned and sentenced to death the priest and several missionaries in their group. She was among those who were sentenced to death because she refused to renounce her faith. The following day she was executed. St. John Paul II canonized St. Lucy Yi and her companions on October 1, 2000.

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- × Consider the leper in today's Gospel story. How strong was his faith in Jesus? How easy or hard is it to have faith today?
- × Why do you think Jesus didn't want the leper to tell anyone except the priest that he was healed?
- × Why do you think the man told everyone anyway?
- × St. Lucy Yi spent her time teaching the faith to children, much like a catechist would today. Who has helped you grow in your faith by their teaching and example?

FAMILY FUN Kindness Scavenger Hunt



This Valentine's Day, find ways to love by doing a Random Acts of Kindness Scavenger Hunt. As a family, create a checklist of 15 random acts of kindness and distribute the checklist to each family member. The object of the game is to complete all of the random acts of kindness by the end of the week. At the end of the week, spend time over a special dinner or dessert sharing what you did throughout the week and how it made everyone feel. Discuss which tasks were easiest and which were most difficult.

Possible Ideas:

- × Assist with making a meal.
- × Call a family member and tell them "I love you!"
- × Clean out old toys and books for donation to goodwill.
- × Do someone's chores.
- × Donate food to a local food pantry.
- × Draw a picture or write a note to someone you don't see often letting them know you are thinking of them.
- × Give someone a compliment.
- × Give someone a high five.
- × Give someone a hug.
- × Help with cleaning-up, even if you didn't help make the mess.
- × Hold a door for someone.
- × Let someone else pick the game you play.
- × Make someone laugh.
- × Push in the chairs at the table.
- × Read a story to someone.
- × Share your toys with someone.



RECIPE OF
THE WEEK

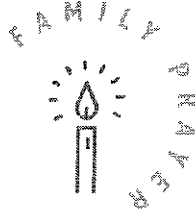
Chocolate Mint Icebox Cake

Enjoy this sweet treat for St. Valentine's Day!

- * 1 package (9 ounces)
chocolate wafers
- * 1 3/4 cups chilled heavy cream
- * 3/4 tsp. mint extract
- * 1 cup miniature chocolate chips
- * 1/4 cup sugar

Make the mint cream: With an electric mixer, beat heavy cream, sugar, and mint extract until stiff peaks form.

Line a serving platter with two sheets of wax paper side by side. Assemble the cake: Spread each wafer with about 1/2 Tbsp. mint cream, forming stacks. Lay stacks horizontally along seam of wax paper, pressing gently to form a log. With a small spatula or knife, cover log with remaining cream. Refrigerate at least 4 hours and up to 2 days. To serve, gently remove wax paper from underneath cake (holding cake in place with a metal spatula if necessary). Sprinkle with chocolate chips. Slice cake diagonally with a serrated knife. Serves 8.



Prayer for Black History Month

*During Black History Month, we remember
the importance of hearing the stories of others.*

Spirit of Abundance, God of Grace, Mother of Hope,
We pause now to remember those stories that are all around us,
But so often passed over,
Those stories that when told are shared because
Of what someone is, not who they are.
This month in our nation's character
Is Black History month.
Help us to realize that Black history is
All our histories.
May the day come when these stories
Are so widely taught that no month need
Be separately divided.
We know this day will not come until we as a people
Make different choices.
We pray now for those new choices.

LITURGY LINK

In today's Gospel, Jesus shows mercy to the leper. In what part of Mass do we ask Jesus to have mercy on us? What are the words we say at Mass when we ask for mercy?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Discuss as a family something that you either want to give up or take on that will help you to be more like Christ during the season of Lent. This year, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th.

FUN FACTS!

Leprosy (Hansen's disease) is an infectious disease caused by a slow-growing bacteria. If left untreated, it can cause nerve damage that can result in crippling of hands and feet, paralysis, and blindness. The bacteria that causes leprosy was discovered by G. H. Armauer Hansen in Norway in 1873. The first effective treatment (promin) became available in the 1940s. In the 1950s, dapson was introduced.

May we come to see a day where the prison system
Becomes redemptive, not punitive.
A day where the legal system learns to focus more squarely on the facts,
And the not colors of our skin.
A day where our schools are as well funded, as the needs demand.
May our role models be allowed to excel when they thrive,
And not be taken down for their rich heritage.
We know this will require a shift in power.
And this can be scary for some.
Give those full of fear - hope.
May we come to know grace,
So that our hearts will not be hardened to the pain around us.
There are so many beautiful stories needing to be told.
And we need to get the chance to hear them.
Widen our vision so that the history that is shared this month,
And every month,
Come to be known as our history too.
We are most human when we see the humanity in others.
Amen.

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**Share how your family
celebrated Sunday!**
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