

CATECHESIS@HOME 2021 #1

"LET US GO ELSEWHERE...SO THAT I CAN PREACH THERE TOO"

(5th Sunday of Ordinary Time)

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INTRODUCTION

Dear parents and guardians. This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather, and spend time reflecting and discussing about the gospel reading of 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time. This Sunday is also the conclusion of the World Interfaith Harmony Week. May we continue to build good relationships with people of other faiths.

HOW TO USE THE MATERIAL

This document contains activities that members of the family may complete individually (just the children), in pairs (with parental assistance), or as an entire family. It would be helpful to print a hard-copy, so that members of your family may carry out different activities at the same time.

WHEN TO USE THE MATERIAL

During the week after the family has celebrated the Mass of 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we have gathered here in the name of Jesus. May I be mindful of those who are poor, the sick and suffering and always do my best to reach out to them with love and compassion. Holy Spirit, guide us during this lesson. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read from Mark 1: 29-39 followed by the information below. Later, reflect on the questions given together as a family, and share your responses with one another. If necessary, parents are encouraged to rephrase the information and questions according to their children's level of understanding).

Some thoughts on today's scripture

- Many aspects of the life of Jesus come together in this reading. Jesus goes to the home of Simon and Andrew. The laws of the Sabbath observance required that they have a quiet day. But Simon's mother-in-law was ill and Jesus was moved to cure her. He always put compassion before the law.
- The Sabbath ended at sundown and this allowed "the whole city" to come with their sick and those possessed by the devil. They encamped at the door until Jesus had exercised his healing power. How late was it when all that was over? Yet in the morning, "while it was still very dark", Jesus slipped out of the house, found a deserted place, and gave himself to prayer.
- A search party was sent to look for Jesus. When they found him a conversation takes place between the disciples and Jesus which involved an apostolic choice: to return to Capernaum as the inhabitants wanted, or to move on to other towns? Jesus had already (in prayer?) decided on the latter option.

1. Although it was the Sabbath day, and the laws required Jesus and his disciples not to do any "work", Jesus healed Peter's mother-in-law. How do you think it was important for Jesus to heal Peter's mother-in-law although the Sabbath law did not allow it?
2. Although Jesus has spent the whole night attending to the sick and those possessed by the devil, yet he got up early and spent time in prayer. Why was it important for Jesus pray at the start of the day? What excuses could he have given for not praying so early in the morning?
3. Jesus was very popular among the people. So, they were looking for him all the time. It would be easier for him if he stayed in the same city and healed more people. But Jesus wants to leave and go elsewhere. What would you have advised him to do?

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Sunday Gospel. Select the activities you would like to complete with your children, or try to complete them all if you can!

Activity #1: Find the words

Show Others You Care

The whole town gathered at the door to watch. So Jesus healed many people who were sick with various diseases.

Based on Mark 1:29-39



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A N P P S I C K R L Y D L Z Y
G L R J Z W E W K R N X J E N
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S C A V D Z X O H R G N H Y U
X Q C O X A D E L Q O D E W J
H T H R Q T O W N C G R L S A
U E R J K Q T I E O U E P U M
T J A H E R Y U P T E W E N E
F O D L L S D E M O N S D S S
M H H B E I U H S M I U F E J
R N Z E A D P S F E V E R T A

FEVER	SIMON	HAND	DOOR	ANDREW
SUNSET	VILLAGES	PREACH	BED	DEMONS
JOHN	SYNAGOGUE	PEOPLE	JESUS	HELPED
HEALED	TOWN	EVENING	JAMES	SICK

Activity #2: Unscramble the words



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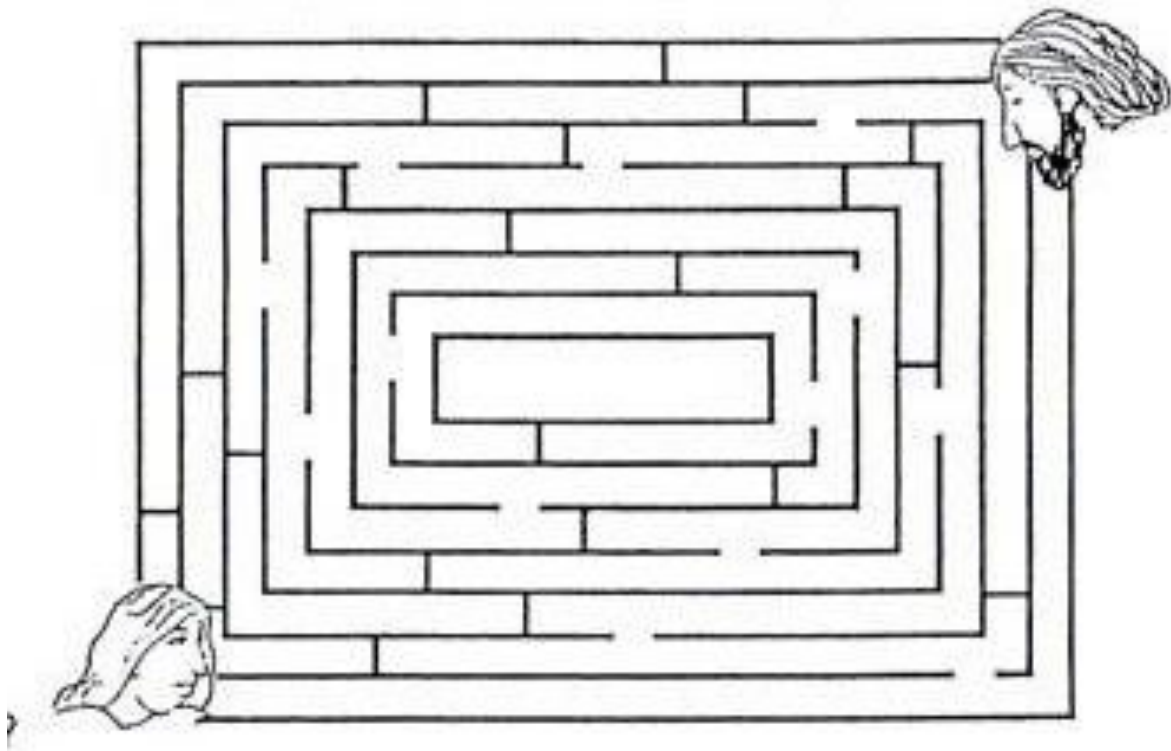
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Activity #3: Help Jesus find the way to Peter's house

How will Peter's mother-in-law get better? Jesus will heal her, but you have to help Jesus find his way to her house.

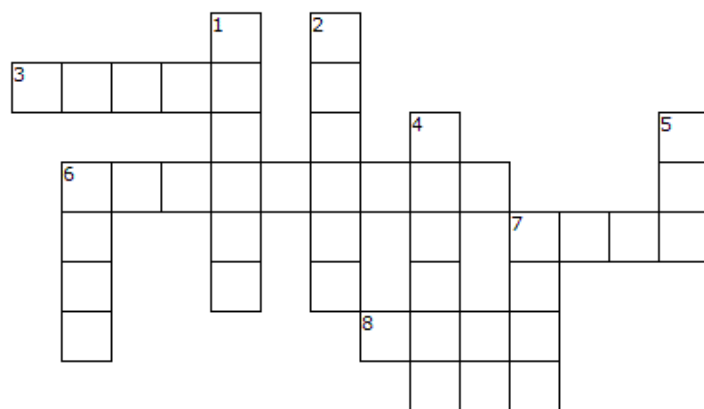


Activity #4: Solve the puzzle

Jesus Ministers in Galilee

So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons. Mark 1:39

Based on Mark 1:29-39



ACROSS

3. A condition when the body temperature is higher than normal
6. A place of meeting for worship in the Jewish faith
7. The body part used for holding things
8. To cure from sickness or disease

DOWN

1. To deliver a sermon
2. Evil spirits
4. The time of day when the sun disappears below the horizon
5. A piece of furniture for sleeping
6. To be ill or have a disease
7. To give assistance; to aid

FEVER	HEAL	HAND	BED	SYNAGOGUE
SICK	HELP	PREACH	DEMONS	SUNSET

Activity #5: Find the right answer

Jesus Ministers in Galilee

So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons. Mark 1:39

Choose the word that best matches the definition.

Answers can be found in Mark 1:29-39



- ___ 1. A place of meeting for worship in the Jewish faith
A. town B. village C. home D. synagogue
- ___ 2. The time of day when the sun disappears below the horizon
A. morning B. sunset C. dawn D. sunrise
- ___ 3. To cure from sickness or disease
A. sick B. prayer C. heal D. preach
- ___ 4. A condition when the body temperature is higher than normal
A. demons B. synagogue C. healed D. fever
- ___ 5. The body part used for holding things
A. feet B. head C. hand D. leg
- ___ 6. To be ill or have a disease
A. demons B. sick C. bed D. hand
- ___ 7. Evil spirits
A. diseases B. sick C. fever D. demons
- ___ 8. To give assistance; to aid
A. help B. preach C. hand D. synagogue
- ___ 9. To deliver a sermon
A. help B. fever C. heal D. preach
- ___ 10. A piece of furniture for sleeping
A. chair B. synagogue C. bed D. table

Activity #6: Break the code

Jesus Ministers in Galilee

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
O	U	I	K	Q	A	W	V	J	N	F	H	D	M	Y	R	X	Z	G	L	P	E	T	S	C	B

- 11-22-8-22-16 _____
- 8-3-20-20-6-19-22 _____
- 21-16-6-15 _____
- 14-1-16-10-3-10-19 _____
- 24-2-10-24-22-23 _____
- 12-22-6-20-22-13 _____
- 13-22-14-1-10-24 _____
- 12-6-10-13 _____
- 21-16-22-6-25-12 _____
- 24-3-25-4 _____

HEALED	FEVER	MORNING	DEMONS	VILLAGE
SICK	PRAY	SUNSET	HAND	PREACH

Activity #7: Colour the picture and write a letter.



Imagine you were Peter's mother-in-law. You were sick and Jesus came to your house and healed you. You wish to share the wonderful news of what Jesus did with your friend who is living in another town. Write a letter to your friend. Then, show it to your parents so that they too may know what you have written.

Activity #8 (For parents and older children). Find and discuss the words.

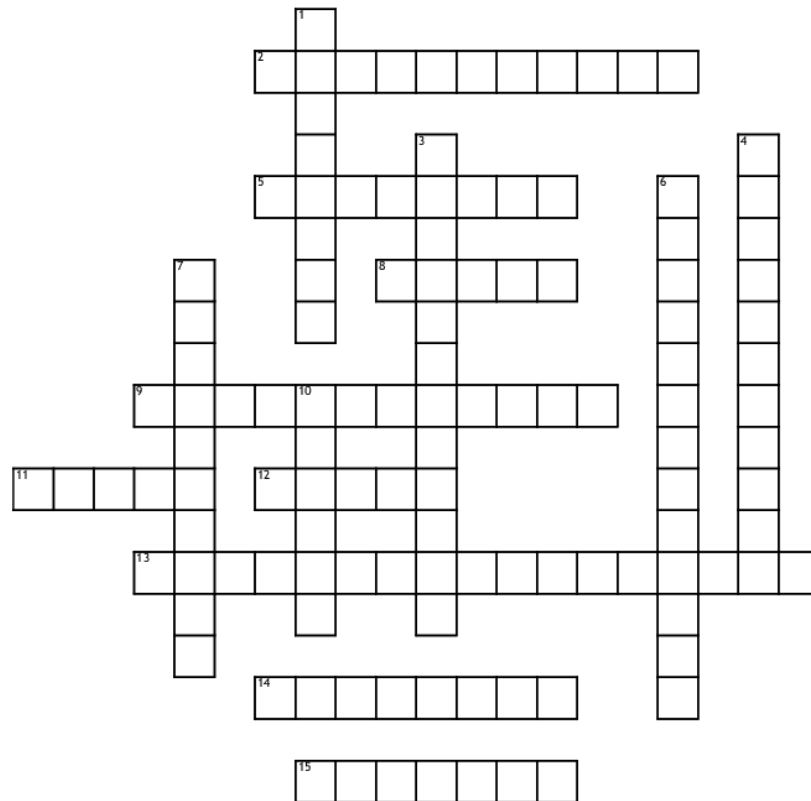
World Religions

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Arabic	resurrection	kosher	crucifixion
pilgrimage	Sabbath	synagogue	mosque
Moses	Hebrew	rabbi	Dalailama
deity	Torah	nirvana	dharma
New Testament	karma	Islam	Hinduism
Buddhism	seance	reincarnation	Old Testament
Judaism	Hanukkah	enlightenment	Buddha
braham	Allah		

Activity #9: Solve the puzzle and discuss the words

World Religions



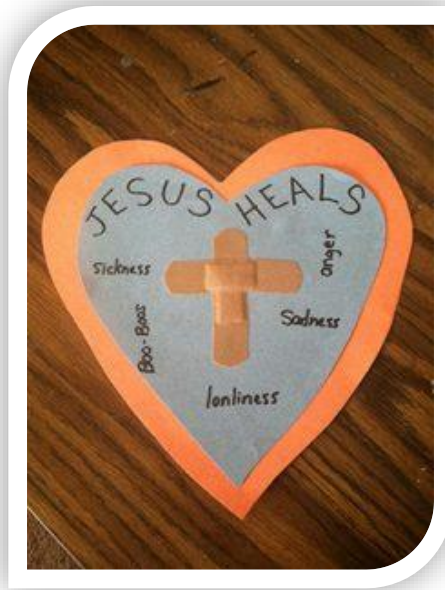
Across

- 2. Belief in Islam
- 5. Eightfold Path to Enlightenment is found in this religion
- 8. Holy book of Christianity
- 9. Many Gods
- 11. The holy book for Judaism
- 12. Holy book of Islam
- 13. Founder of Buddhism
- 14. Prophet of Islam
- 15. Began in Palistine around 2000 BC

Down

- 1. The major religion of India
- 3. Belief Jesus is the son of God
- 4. A social class system found in India
- 6. To be reborn
- 7. One God
- 10. Four Noble _____

Activity #10: "Jesus Heals" Art Craft



Things needed:

- Paper (2 different colours)
- Crayons or markers
- Glue
- Scissor
- Band-aids (at least 2 per child)

Parent Preparation:

Cut out the paper hearts, one large and one smaller for each child.



Instructions:

Have your child write "Jesus Heals" on the smaller heart. Guide him or her in creating a cross on the heart with the band-aids. Next, using the glue, have your child mount the smaller heart onto the larger heart. You can encourage your child to jot down or draw pictures of things they believe Jesus can heal.

Source: <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/jesus-healed-a-royal-officials-son-bible-craft/>