



"The Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name." (Lk 1:49).

CORNER

Sunday Liturgy

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 2017

- Reading 1: GN 2:7-9; 3:1-7
- Responsorial: PS 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
- Reading 2: ROM 5:12-19
- Verse Gospel: MT 4:4B
- Gospel: MT 4:1-11

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What Happens in Lent?

In today's Gospel story, Jesus goes out into the desert to fast and pray for forty days. In the forty days of Lent, the Church asks us to fast, give alms, and pray.



In Lent we don't eat meat on Fridays. Many people give up things like candy or dessert for all of Lent. When we give up food that we like, it reminds us that food isn't the only thing we need- we need God too!



Giving alms means giving money or things to the poor or the Church. God lets there be people who need our help so that we can become better by helping them!

The third thing that we should do in Lent is praying. You could say an extra prayer every day- maybe an "Our Father" or a "Hail Mary" when you wake up or before you go to bed. Another good idea is reading a bit from the Bible, because when we read the Bible we let God speak to us.

What are some little things you could do for Lent? Try to do things that will help you think a bit more about God every day.



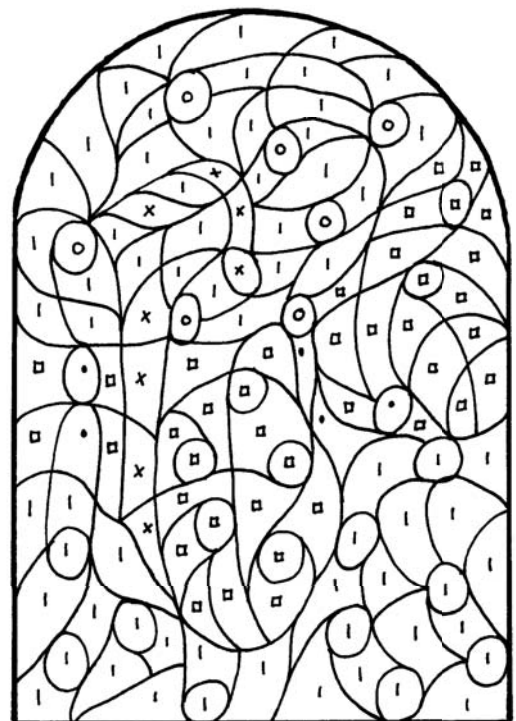
Answers to picture puzzle inside:
top: 4; 6, middle: 5; 1, bottom: 2; 3.

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The Kids' Bulletin

First Sunday of Lent March 5th, 2017

Today's first reading tells us about sin.
Use the code at the bottom to colour in the spaces
and find out what the story was.



- blue
- red
- green
- skin colour
- × brown

Family Connection

When Jesus resists the temptations presented to him by the devil, he draws on his religious upbringing and tradition. Jesus is able to quote from Scripture because he is the Son of God and because he was a human person who lived his Jewish beliefs fully. We who are responsible for raising children are also called upon to immerse them fully in our Catholic Christian tradition so that they too will be able to draw upon this tradition to resist the temptations they will face in their lives.

Use this Sunday as an opportunity to call your family's attention to the importance of Scripture in our lives. Gather your family around the family Bible and read today's Gospel, Matthew 4:1-11. Recall that Jesus rebuked the devil's temptations by quoting Scripture. Take some time as a family to talk about the words that are found in the Bible and the importance of Scripture to our faith. Perhaps the older members of the family can share a favorite Scripture passage with everyone. Younger family members can tell their favorite story from the Bible and be shown where that story can be found. In each case, encourage a deeper sharing of faith by asking each person to tell why the Scripture passage shared is important to him or her. Conclude your time together by again reading Jesus' reply to the devil found in Matthew 4:4 ("One does not live by bread alone . . .") and praying the Lord's Prayer.



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Saint Frances of Rome March 9



SAINT FRANCES OF ROME WANTED TO PRAY AND HELP THE POOR AS A NUN, BUT GOD WANTED HER TO DO WHAT HER FATHER TOLD HER. BECAUSE SHE WAS RICH SHE WAS ABLE TO HELP MANY POOR PEOPLE. GOD WANTS US TO USE OUR TALENTS AND THE GOOD THINGS WE HAVE TO HELP OTHERS.

Sort the Story!

What happened when Jesus had prayed and fasted for forty days in the desert?
See if you can sort out the order of these pictures.
Write 1 on the first, 2 on the second, and so on.

