

## **PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH**

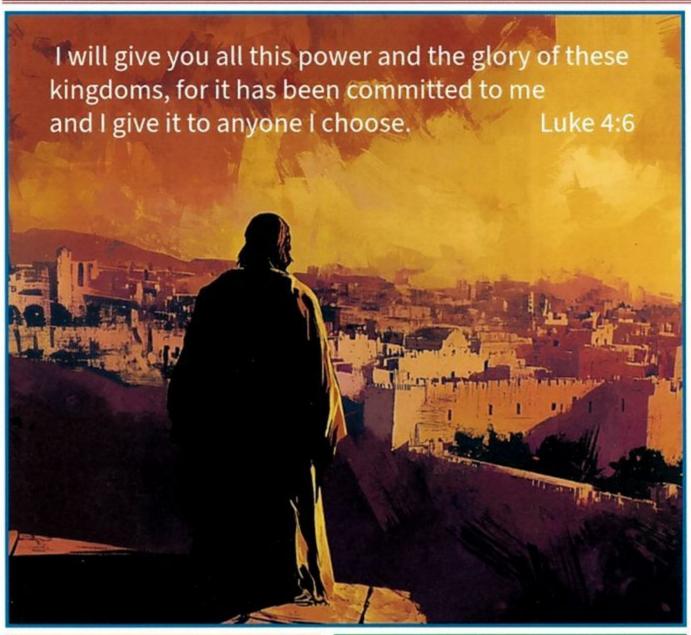
#### SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

**CELEBRATING JUBILEE YEAR** 





## Lent Prayer For Renewal

Precious Lord,

Thank you for your guidance and protection Thank you for giving me the strength to go through this Lenten season

I pray that by the end of this lent period, I will be made anew in you

Help me not to be the same person I was before the season began

Renew my mind and my heart, Lord, teach me your ways

Help me understand your word My soul yearns for you, dear Lord, fill me with your spirit

and draw me closer to you Strengthen me when I'm weak, fill me when

Renew my body and grant me the grace to do everything I do

Amen
THE GRACEFUL CHAPTER



## Baptisms at Pymble Parish

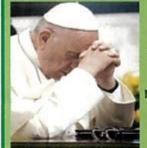
Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

Sunday, 13 April 2025 At 10:30am at Sacred Heart Church

Bookings are essential, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS



Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

A warm welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors who are participating in Mass with us this weekend.





#### Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis
Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God
known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the
means your love inspires. You filled him with universal
apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence,
with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to
Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to
follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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#### Parish Team

#### Pastoral care

#### Salvatorian Fathers

Parish Priest: Fr. Ireneusz Czech SDS

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#### **Parish Mass Times**

#### Sacred Heart

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass

#### Weekend:

Sunday: 9:30 am and 6:00 pm

#### Reconciliation:

Tuesday - Friday before Mass Sunday before the 9.30 am Mass & at 5:30 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

#### Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30 am, 4:45 pm

Sunday 7:45 am

#### Contact details

Address: 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073
Postal address: PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074

Telephone: (02) 9144 2702

Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4pm &

Friday 8.30am to 1pm

For information about Weddings please contact
Daniela in the Parish Office.

For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation,
Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact
Rebecca at rebecca@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

## PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

## SACRED HEART

Principal: Kerry Paxton
Telephone: (02) 7256 2142
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### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Jodi Jefferson Telephone: (02) 7256 2101



Lent is a time to grow closer to God through the three key pillars:



**Prayer:** Deepening our relationship with God through personal and communal prayer.



**Fasting:** Practicing self-discipline by giving up certain comforts to focus on spiritual growth.



**Almsgiving:** Offering charity and kindness to those in need, reflecting Christ's love for others.

These three pillars guide us in our Lenten journey towards renewal and preparation for Easter.



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\* ALTAR SERVERS

MINISTERS

Sign-up Sheet at back of both Churches



#### WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 9 March First Sunday of Lent

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass)
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart (Children's

Liturgy)

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 11 March

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 12 March

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 13 March

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Friday, 14 March

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed

Stations of the Cross

10:00am Bible Study

Saturday, 15 March

9:00am Mass at OLPS and Morning

Prayer

9:30am Stations of the Cross

5:00pm Mass at OLPS followed by Wine

and Cheese Evening

Sunday, 16 March Second Sunday of Lent

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass)

9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart



The First Collection goes to the upkeep of the clergy, Salvatorian Regional Office and the Broken Bay Diocese sustentation funds.

The Second Collection goes towards maintaining our Churches and the upkeep of the Parish, supporting the ministries of our Parish (including our Sacramental programs and Catechist work), helping us continue our good works and loving outreach.

We are so grateful for your ongoing support.

First Collection

Second Collection





The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church & 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS

## Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Dee Baumgart, Joan O'Donnell, Jane Williams, Jean Allas, Catherine Sanchez, Patsy Purcell

#### **Death Anniversaries:**

Rev Dr Joseph Martins, Patricia Grass, Santa Celio, Elizabeth & MK George, Kerry Oei, Trenna Scanlan, Mike Soh Thiam Poh, Orfed Calacoci, Florinda Menezes

#### Prayers for the sick:

Antonios Ghabach, Mrs Mary Sidaway, Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne, Danny Ung

#### Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.

## Serra Vocations Prayer Calendar-March 2025

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1 Fr Teody Medina SOLT	2 Fr Brian Moloney
3 Fr Paul Finucane Fr Paul Durkin	4 Fr Bogdan Skupien Fr Eliseus Shin	5 Fr Chima Ofor Fr Marek Woldan	6 Fr Joshi Naduppura	7 Fr Philip Thottam MSFS	8 Fr Grzegorz (Greg) Skulski	9 Fr Bronislaw (Bronek) Pietrusewicz SDS
10 Fr Ryszard (Richard) Sadowski SDS	1 1 Fr Zygmunt Smigowski SDS	12 Fr Bill Stephens	13 Fr Harry Kennedy	14 Fr Stephen Hamilton	15 Fr Rex Curry	16 Fr Jack Robson
17 Fr Stan Skibicki	18 Fr Robert Brogan	19 Fr Geoff Bugden	20 Sister Marea Ross rsj Sister Ann Duncan rsj	21 Sister Josefa Mabini OSA	22 Sister Jennifer Canillas OSA	23 Seminarians Shayne D'Cunha
24 Seminarians Matthew French Tan Nguyen	25 Seminarians Victor Atuhura Huy Tran	26 Fr Robert Crawford	27 Fr Carmelo Sciberas	28 Fr Jim Tierney	29 Fr Clem Hill	30 Fr Terry Johns
31 Sister Damian Lai						

# DAILY PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your goodness and thank You for Your gifts. Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Assist all Your people to know their vocation in life and help them to prepare for it. Call many to be priests, deacons and consecrated men and women for Your greater glory, and for the service of Your people. Give those whom You call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithful.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **Enrich Your Faith with these** Three Spiritual Resources by Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS

#### 1. Lectio Divina: Lenten Reflections, Year C

A guide through Lent based on the Sunday Gospels using Lectio Divina: Read, Meditate, Pray, Contemplate.

Available only on Kindle: www.amazon.com/dp/B0DZ2S4L3C





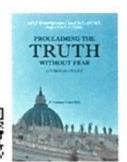
#### 2. Proclaiming the Truth Without Fear: Simple Homilies

Brief homilies offering comfort, encouragement, and renewal.

All proceeds go to support Salvatorian seminarians from East Timor (in the Salvatorian Australian Region) studying in the Philippines.

Hard Copy available for \$50 at Pymble Catholic Parish Office or via Amazon. Also available on Kindle:

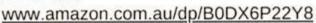
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#### 3. Jubilee Mass: Easy Music Scores for Choirs

Original liturgical music for Jubilee Year: Kyrie (2 versions), Gloria, Sanctus, Psalmus, Agnus Dei.

Hard Copy available from Pymble Catholic Parish Office for a donation. Also available on Kindle:

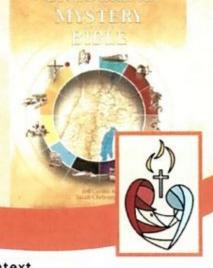






## THE **BIBLE:**

Unlocking the mysteries of the Bible



#### Invitation

You are invited to join our eight part series "Unlocking the mysteries of the Bible" with Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer

#### Topics

The series topics include:

- · Introduction, The Bible Timeline Chart
- Early World
- The Patriarchs
- · Egypt and Exodus, Desert Wandering
- Conquest and Judges, Royal Kingdom
- · Divided Kingdom, Exile, Return
- · Maccabean Revolt (Messianic Fulfillment 1 and 2)

For further information:



(02) 9144 2702

#### Context

The easiest way to understand the Bible This program makes the complex simple. It helps uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, the "big picture" of the Bible and what it is all about. The story about the Father's unfailing love for you - a love that you are now called to share with others.

#### Join In

Please join in with this opportunity to learn, share your thoughts and to get to know others in our Parish community.

7pm alternate Tuesday evenings Sacred Heart Church Pymble Next session 18 March 2025

Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer



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## Caritas | PROJECT COMPASSION

First Sunday of Lent 8 and 9 March 2025

Project Compassion 2025 shares three stories from around the world. We'll meet Toefuata'iga - (Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah) from Samoa, Lam from Vietnam and Irene from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

Each of this year's stories reflects diverse challenges, yet they are united by the shared determination to overcome adversity and create better futures for themselves and their communities.









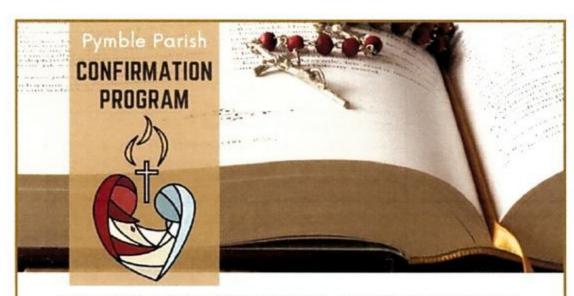
#### Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413





#### PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2025

Candidates must be aged 8 or

#### Parent and Candidate Information Session: Saturday, 22 March 3pm at Sacred Heart

**Group Facilitator Session:** Sunday, 23 March

#### 3pm at Sacred Heart Preparation Program:

Two formation sessions - parishbased group at Sacred Heart or home-based parent-driven group

1st - parish-facilitated group Saturday, 29 March 3pm or Sunday, 30 March 10:30am

2nd - parish-facilitated group Saturday, 5 April 3pm or Sunday, 6 April 10:30am

#### Registration is open at trybooking.com/cyvzn

#### Presentation Mass:

Saturday, 5 April or Sunday, 6 April any mass, either church

#### Practice:

Sunday, 4 May 3pm at Sacred Heart

#### Confirmation Service:

Thursday, 8 May 5:30pm at Sacred Heart

Further information is available at the Parish Web site

Pymble Catholic Parish | 02 9144 2702

Fr Irek will be away at the Salvatorian Meeting, retreat and the episcopal ordination of Father George Kolodziej from 11 March to 21 March 2025. We are so grateful that Fr Michael O'Sullivan OSA and Fr Sunny Peackal Abraham OCD will be assisting us with Mass during this period. Please make Fr Michael and Fr Sunny welcome!



Donors within the Parish community provide home cooked frozen meals for Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets program.

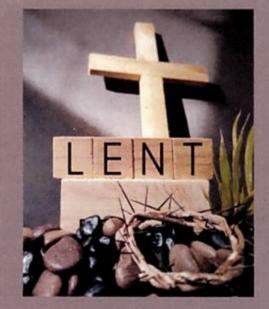
Frozen meal donations for March should be dropped off at the Parish office between 9am and 10am on Friday, 21 March 2025. At 10am sharp, the meals will be transported to Youth Off The Streets. Frozen meal collections are scheduled for the third Friday of each month.

Meals are always needed. Can you help? If you would like to help by contributing some of your skills in preparing meals or to provide transport for the meals then please contact the Parish office.

Your contribution helps to feed needy homeless youth within the Youth Off The Streets program. Youth Off The Streets believes in young people. The program provides opportunities for disadvantaged youth to build a safe and stable future.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

## **Lenten Adoration - 5 Weeks**



Join us for Adoration during Lent, beginning March 9th. Every Sunday evening from 5pm to 6pm at Sacred Heart Church.

During this hour, the Gospel of the day will be read, followed by questions for personal reflection and prayer.

## OFFICE CLOSED

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed next Tuesday, 11 March 2025, as our staff will be attending a Diocesan training session at the Broken Bay Diocese office. Please leave a message or send an email if you have any queries. We thank you for your understanding.



Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 90: 15-16

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

First Reading Deuteronomy 26: 4-10

#### A reading from the Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before Gospel the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians illtreated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 90: 1-2, 10-15 R v.15

#### (R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

- He who dwells in the shelter of the Most and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom trust!'. (R.)
- 2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. (R.)
- They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. (R.)
- Protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with Gospel Reflection I will save him in distress and give him Why did the Holy Spirit lead Jesus into such a glory. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 10: 8-13

#### A reading from the first letter of St Paul to pattern which God had set for Moses and the Romans

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4: 4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No on lives on bread alone,

But on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Luke 4: 1-13

#### sight of the Lord your God, you must make A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

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You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting 4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

lonely place - right after Jesus was anointed and confirmed by the Father for his mission as Messiah and Saviour? Jesus was following the for Elijah - both were led on a forty day journey of prayer and fasting to meet with God on his holy mountain . God tested Moses and Elijah to prepare them for a prophetic mission - to speak God's word and to lead God's people into the way of holiness and righteousness, a way marked by love of God and love of neighbour. While Moses and Elijah each prayed and fasted in the desert wilderness of Sinai, God fed them with his lifegiving word. Their time of solitude with God enabled them to be renewed in faith, hope, and love for the call God had given them. Jesus likewise went into the wilderness to prepare himself for the mission entrusted to him by spending forty days and nights in solitude and prayer to his Father in heaven.

Jesus tempted by the devil

Luke tells us that at the end of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness one visitor came out to tempt him. Luke describes this tempter as the devil, who is also called the father of lies, Satan, and the spiritual ruler and god of this world. He is the same deceiver who tempted Adam and Eve in the Garden of Paradise. Why did Satan tempt Jesus at the end of his lengthy period of fasting? Satan knew that Jesus was embarking on an important spiritual mission for the kingdom of God. Perhaps Satan saw an opportunity to strike while Jesus appeared more vulnerable in his physically and emotionally weakened condition due to his prolonged fasting and inner struggle over his particular call and mission. Jesus had to struggle with temptation, especially the temptation to choose his own way and to push aside the way his Father wanted him to go. This is the fundamental temptation which confronts each one of us as well. My way or God's way, my will or God's will.

Satan's first temptation appealed to Jesus' physical desires and hunger. Jesus was very hungry and physically weak at the same time he hadn't eaten anything for forty days. Did the Spirit lead him into the wilderness to die? When the people of Israel were led into the wilderness for forty years without any natural source of food, they complained to Moses that he was punishing them with starvation - a very painful way to suffer and die. Moses took the matter to God in prayer. And God intervened by sending them manna " bread from heaven " for their daily provision. Should not Jesus do the same to revive his weakened condition?

Jesus' second temptation

Satan tempted Jesus a second time by presenting him with the best the world could offer - great riches, privileges, glory and fame, and the power to rule over all the kingdoms of the world - Jesus could claim title and possession to everything he desired. Jesus quickly saw through the trap of placing the world's glory, wealth, and power above the honour, glory, and service that is due to God alone. Jesus saw how easily one's heart can be swayed and even overpowered by what it most treasures. The heart cannot serve two masters - only one will prevail. Allowing fame, glory, and wealth to master one's heart is a form of idolatry - the worship of false gods. Jesus chose to honour his Father and to serve his Father's kingdom above all else. He chose to make his Father's will alone as his personal treasure and delight. Jesus again defeated Satan with the words of Scripture which Moses wrote in the Book of Deuteronomy: "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve".

Jesus' third temptation

Satan's last temptation was to convince Jesus that he should position himself at the pinnacle of the temple in Jerusalem, the holiest place on earth where God dwelt in a special way with his people, and there perform a spectacular sign that would prove beyond a doubt that he was the Messiah, God's anointed Son.

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Pymble Parish Roster 15 & 16 March 2025						
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm				
Acolytes						
Altar Servers	Volunteers needed	N Adams				
Readers	P D'Souza	E Thomas				
Altar Society	15 March: Lent—no flowers					
Counters	16 March: P Ward / T Ryan / M Boland					
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am				
Acolytes	C Parbury	I Chisholm				
Altar Servers	W & M Saba	D'Silva Family				
Readers	K & J Graham	H Roche				
Altar Cloth	15 March: P Ryan					

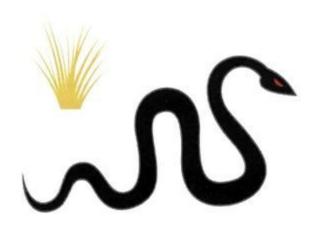
## Children's Corner

During the season of Lent, we prepare for Holy week and Easter by focusing on our faith and love for God. Write down some ways you can do this.

Read a passage from Luke's Gospel every night before I go to bed.

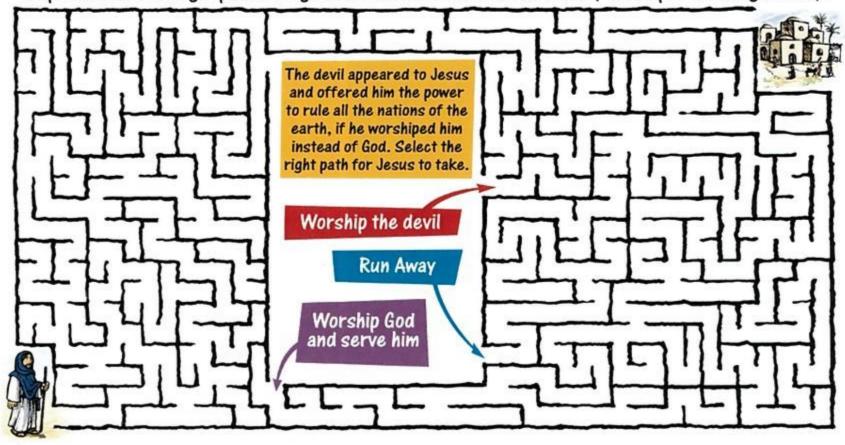


After Jesus was baptized the Holy Spirit sent him into the desert. He stayed there for forty days and was tempted by Satan. Draw Jesus in the desert.





Help Jesus find the right path through the desert and into Galilee. Be wary of temptation along the way!







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