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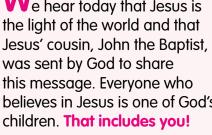
SHINE JESUS

Sunday 3 January 2021 John 1:1-12

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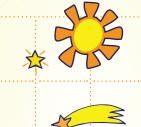
We hear today that Jesus is the light of the world and that Jesus' cousin, John the Baptist, was sent by God to share this message. Everyone who believes in Jesus is one of God's



Closer to the light!

Can you follow the dotted lines to connect the stars and take the space rocket to the sun?

Don't bump into a shooting star!



Sudoku

What message does John

the Baptist have for us all?

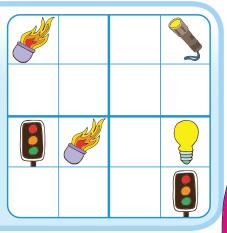
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Can you fill the grid with light?



Each row, each column and each mini-grid should have just one of each type of light.



Shine!

How will you let God's light shine from you today? Make this face into you by adding a smile, alasses or freckles and changing

the hair.

Draw, or write about, the good things you will do in the light beams

Draw yourself in the window of the rocket.

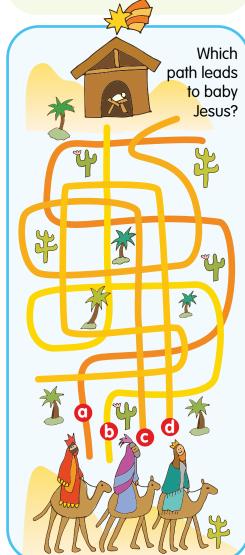
Dear Jesus,

thank you for shining on me. You light up my life with your love. Help me to let my light shine and share your love with everyone I meet. Amen.

Answers: John's message: Jesus is the light of the world

Sunday 3 January 2021 **Matthew 2:1-12** The Epiphany of the Lord (Scotland)

e hear today that the wise men follow a bright new star to find baby Jesus and welcome him into the world. The wise men give Jesus special presents because they know how important he is.



The wise men had three presents for Jesus.

Can you spot the odd present out in each group of three.

What did the wise men give to Jesus?

Start with the G and use every other letter to find out.

What did the wise men know about Jesus?

This time use every other letter starting with the J to find out.

Finding God

Spot in the word search some of the places we can find God.

BIBLE ME

GOD **NATURE JESUS PEOPLE**

LOVE **PRAYER MASS**

E G R E U 0 S E T E M U S S

Dear Jesus, the wise men came on a long journey to find you. Please watch over me on my journey through life and help me to know how close you are to me as I travel along. Amen

Answers: Odd present out: B,A,C, B. The wise men gave Jesus: Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh. The wise men knew that: Jesus is a new kind of king. Maze: Path b Leads to baby Jesus

Sunday 10 January 2021 Mark 1:7-11 The Baptism of the Lord

LOS PEL TODA

John baptises Jesus in the River Jordan. When Jesus comes out of the water, the Holy Spirit comes down above him like a dove and God's voice is heard telling everyone that Jesus is God's Beloved Son.

JESUS IS BAPTISED!

Join the dots to see what happened when Jesus was baptised.

Crack the code

God's voice came from heaven when Jesus was baptised.

> Decode the words to see what God the Father said.

Baptismal* symbols

These symbols are used during baptism.

Can you match the symbol with the right shadow hidden around the sheet?



CLEAN FAITH FAMILY HEALING HOLY SPIRIT LIFE NEW LIGHT STRENGTH GIFTS HOPE

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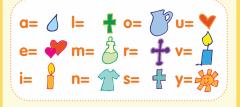
Find the meanings of these symbols in the wordsearch.

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A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for giving us the gift of baptism. Once baptised, we have new life with you and are part of the Christian family. Help us to put into practice all the gifts of the Holy Spirit we received when we were baptised. Amen.

Jesus is the Messiah

Many people thought that John was the Messiah, but John tells everyone that Jesus is really the Son of God.

Can you find the differences between John and Jesus in the picture?

Sunday 17 January 2021 John 1:35-42 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOS PEL TODAY

wo of John's disciples follow Jesus to his home so that they can learn from him. What Jesus teaches them is so powerful that they go and tell others to follow Jesus too.

ARN FROM

Jesus invites the two disciples to come and see where he lives.

Can you help them find the way to his home?



Learn from others

The disciples followed Jesus because they wanted to learn from him. Fill in the

missing letters to find some people you can learn from.







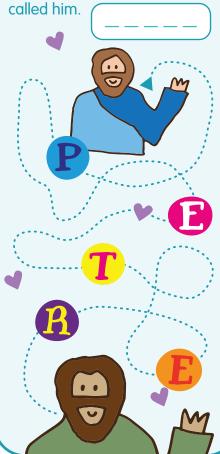
Jesus' names

Can you find some of the names Jesus was known by?

MESSIAH CHRIST PROPHET LAMB OF GOD **LORD JESUS RABBI SON OF GOD**

A new name!

When Jesus saw Simon, he gave him a new name. Follow the line to find out what Jesus



A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for being such a good teacher and for teaching us all about God the Father. I promise to listen to you always and to try to do as you say. Amen

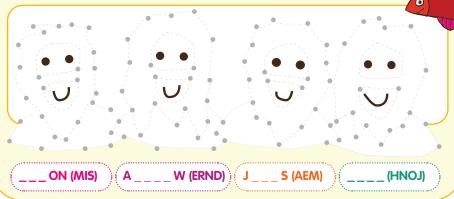
Answers: Teacher, Doctor, Parent, Coach

IN THE GOS PEL TODAY

As Jesus walks beside the Sea of Galilee, he sees fishermen working hard in their boats. Jesus asks Simon, John, James and Andrew to follow him, and they leave everything behind to become Jesus' friends.

Jesus asked four fishermen to follow him and to become his disciples.

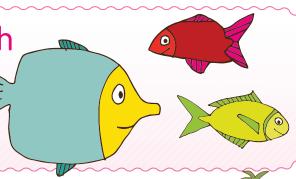
and fill in the blanks to find out their names.



Find the Fish

Jesus' first disciples were fishermen. Can you catch the

ten fish hidden around this page?



Where will Jesus lead us?

When Jesus asked Simon, John, James and **Andrew** to follow him, they had no idea where Jesus was leading them.

Jesus' friends put their total faith and trust in him. Follow the path to see where Jesus is leading them.



I will follow Jesus when I.

We can follow Jesus when we live as he asks, loving other people. Draw a picture inside the fish to show how you will follow Jesus today.



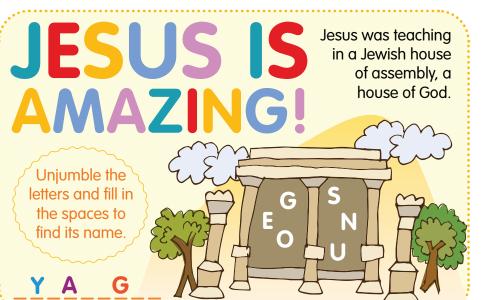
ear Jesus, you called ordinary people like fishermen to become your closest followers. Thank you for reminding us that you call all sorts of people, people just like me, to be your best friends. Amen.

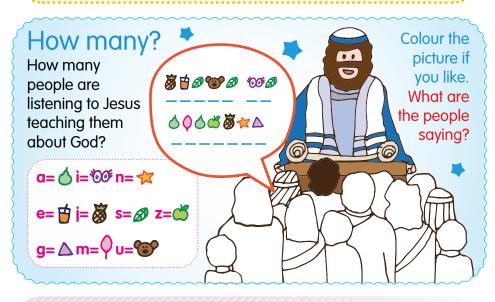
Answers: Simon, John, James and Andrew.

Sunday 31 January 2021 Mark 1:21-28 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



All the people in the synagogue are shocked when they hear Jesus teaching. He seems to know so much about God. Jesus works miracles and soon everyone has heard about Jesus.





Wordsearch

We can spread the good news about Jesus when we

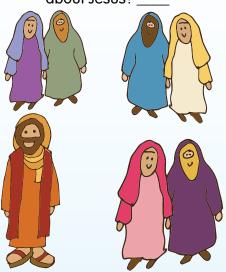




The news is spreading

This man is so excited about Jesus that he goes and tells two more people. They each tell two more. How many people now know about Jesus?

If each of these people tells two more people, how many people altogether would then know about Jesus?



Draw the extra people in - keep going and see how quickly the good news about Jesus spreads!

A PRAYER TO SAY

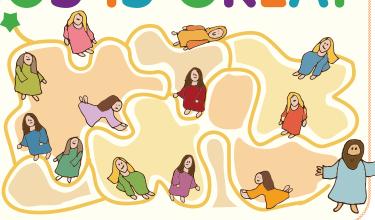
Dear Father, may we always be excited to hear about Jesus and excited to pass on the good news about him to other people. Amen.

Mark 1:29-39 **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time** GOS PEL TODAY

> Jesus heals Simon's motherin-law of a fever. When news spreads, many sick people flock to Jesus for him to heal them. Jesus goes away to pray somewhere **peaceful**. Then he begins to travel all over Galilee with his **friends**, healing people and telling them about God.

JESUS IS GREAT

Jesus healed people wherever he went. Count how many people Jesus heals on his way through Galilee.



Jesus the healer

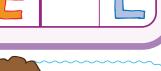
Jesus healed people wherever he went.

Fit the letters of the word **HEAL** into this puzzle so that each letter appears once in each row and column and each mini grid.









Gospel words

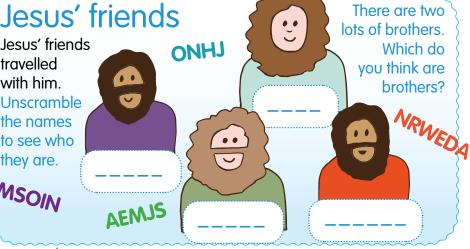
All of the words in this puzzle appear in today's Gospel story.

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Jesus' friends travelled with him.

Unscramble the names to see who they are.

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A PRAYER TO SAY

ather God, thank you for all the people who help us when we are sick, the doctors and nurses and everyone who cares for us. We pray for all those who are ill at this time. especially_

Amen.

Sunday 14 February 2021 Mark 1:40-45 **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

GOS PEL TODA

A man suffering from a terrible illness called leprosy asks Jesus to heal him. Jesus stretches out his hand and says "be healed". Straight away, the leprosy is cured! Jesus tells the man not to tell anyone, but the man is so excited that he tells everyone so lots of people hurry from all around to be healed by Jesus.

HOORAY FOR

This man is very happy because he has been healed by Jesus! Help him to share his good news with his friends - be quick, he's very excited!



Healing hands Jesus had healing hands.



Use the grid to help you draw one of Jesus' healing hands.

Who can you think of who has healing hands today?

Wordsearch

Look backwards, forwards, up, down and diagonally.

All of these words from today's Gospel can be found in this word search.

HEALED ALL ASKS HURRY CURED JESUS EVERYONE LEPROSY STRETCH EXCITED TELL HAND

E N E J D H E A Q S Z

Hands

Six words are hiding in these hands.

They describe things Jesus did and what he is like.

You will find the first part

of each word in the left hand and the end in the right hand.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Father God, Jesus helped people everywhere he went. Help us to be kind and thoughtful like him, especially helping people who are sick or in need. Amen.

Answer: The words in the hands are pray, heal, teach, cure, love and kind.



Sunday 28 February 2021 Mark 9:2-10 2nd Sunday of Lent

Jesus takes three of his friends, Peter, James and John, up to a high mountain. While they are there, Jesus' clothes become a dazzling white. Jesus' friends see two very special prophets with him, Elijah and Moses. Knowing these are very special people, Peter asks if he can make tents for them. Then a **cloud** appears and they **hear** God the Father saying, "This is my dear **Son** – **listen** to him".

SHINE BRIGHT

This very special event is known by a long word. Can you follow the path and find the letters, one at a time, to make the word?

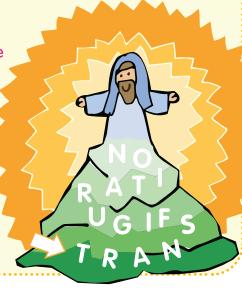
Ask a grown up to help you pronounce it. How many smaller words can you make from this one word?

Use the back of the sheet.

5 = good

10 = excellent

15 = outstanding!



Wordsearch

How many words from today's Gospel can you find in the wordsearch?

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What does God ask? "This is my own h= n= t=dear Son Crack the code to see what God wants us to do.

Listen to God

We can hear God in nature and the voices of people we love.



Draw inside this ear the good things you have heard today.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, help me to listen to you each day and to be a shining light to others. Amen.

Answers: Today's story is called the Transfiguration. Code: "Listen to him". Wordsearch: the 12 words in coloured font in the Gospel