

# ***St. Elizabeth Catholic Church***

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## ***Kid's Bulletin***



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## **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**



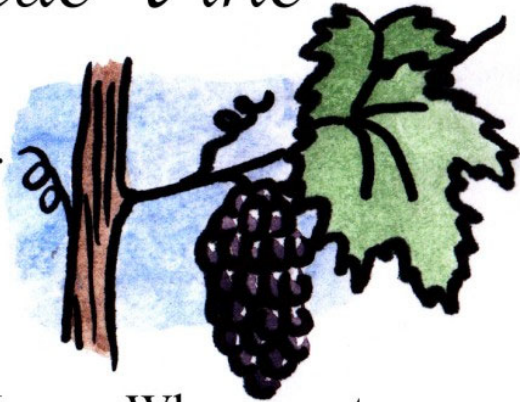
“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.” - Jn 15:1-2

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# Jesus is the True Vine

Jesus says that He is the vine and we are the branches. Branches grow out from a vine and receive their food from the main stem. They grow leaves and bear fruit.

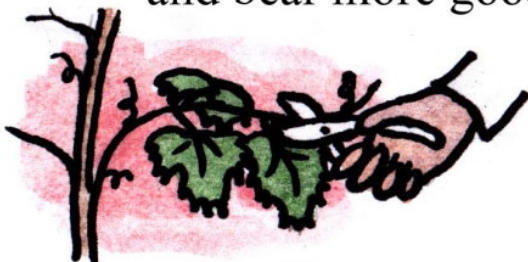


Our souls get their life from Jesus. When we stay united with Him then our souls are healthy and able to do good works, like the grapes that grow on a healthy vine.



Doing a serious sin is like cutting oneself off of the main vine. The nutrition can't flow into the branch because it's cut off! The branch can't grow leaves or fruit and it withers and dries up. Even though you can't see it, that is what happens to a soul that doesn't have God's life coming into it.

Sometimes a branch of a vine needs to be pruned. A bit gets cut off, but then it grows even better where it was cut. In the same way, sometimes God lets us suffer, but then our souls can grow even stronger and bear more good fruit.

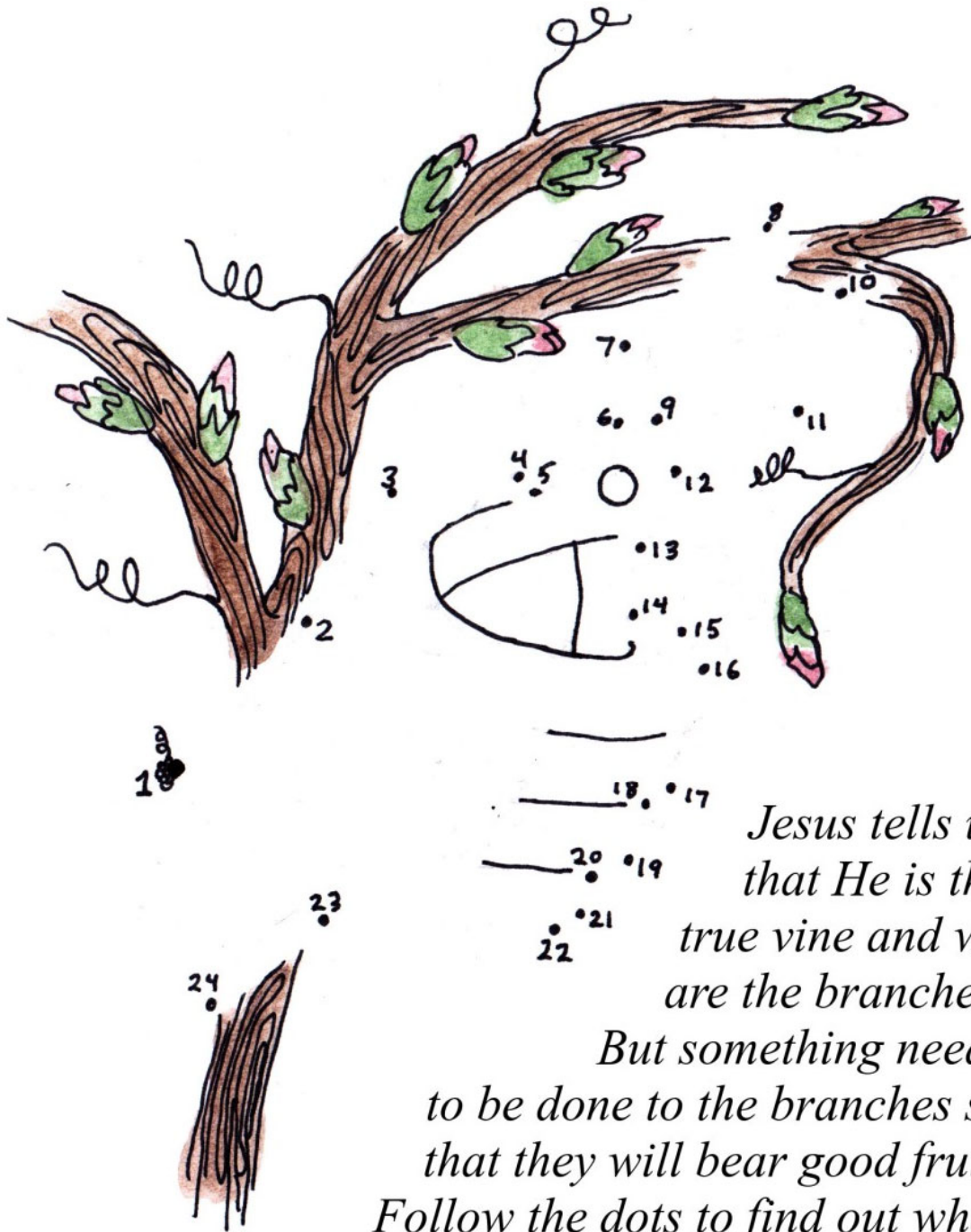


Next time you are suffering, remember that God might be using this time to make your soul stronger!

Answers to True or False: 1.true 2.true 3.true 4.true 5.false 6.true 7.false

# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28th, 2024



*Jesus tells us  
that He is the  
true vine and we  
are the branches.*

*But something needs  
to be done to the branches so  
that they will bear good fruit.  
Follow the dots to find out what  
it is. (Start at the little grapes!)*

# Saint Zita

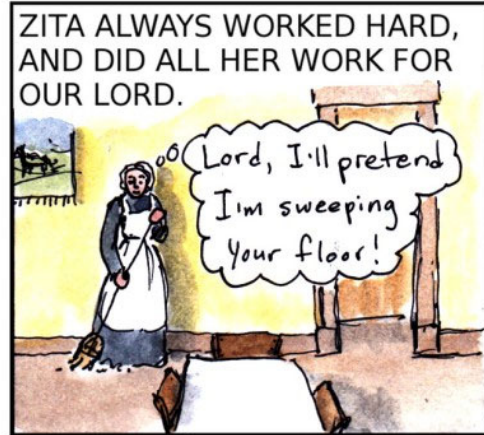
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ZITA WAS BORN IN ITALY IN 1218. HER MOTHER TAUGHT HER TO LOVE THE FAITH. AT AGE 12 SHE WENT TO WORK FOR THE FATINELLI FAMILY.



I'll miss you, Mom!

ZITA ALWAYS WORKED HARD, AND DID ALL HER WORK FOR OUR LORD.

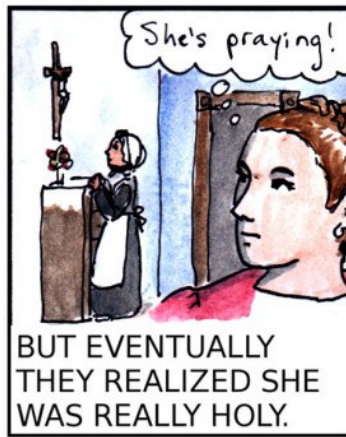


Lord, I'll pretend I'm sweeping your floor!

AT FIRST THE OTHER SERVANTS AND THE FATINELLIS THOUGHT ZITA WAS PROUD.



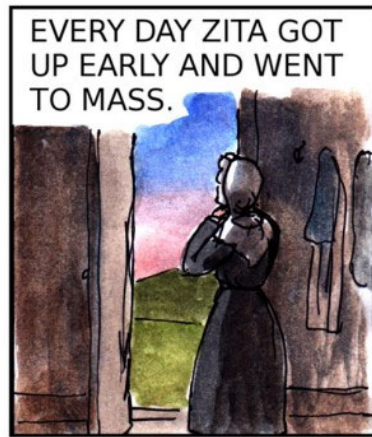
She won't even talk to us all day!



She's praying!

BUT EVENTUALLY THEY REALIZED SHE WAS REALLY HOLY.

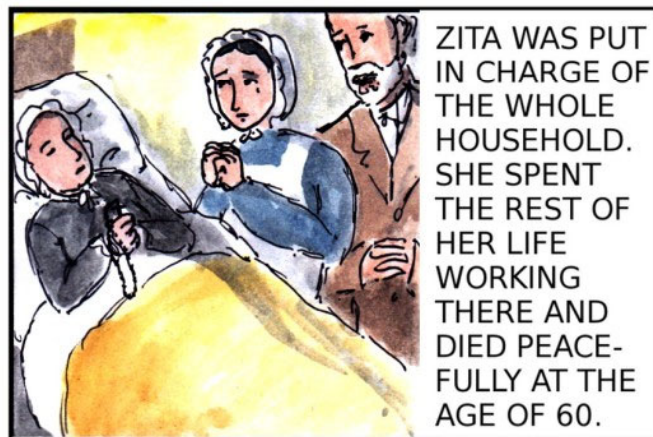
EVERY DAY ZITA GOT UP EARLY AND WENT TO MASS.



SHE WAS HAPPY TO SEND THE MONEY SHE MADE BACK TO HER FAMILY BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T NEED IT.



This should help the family this winter!



ZITA WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF THE WHOLE HOUSEHOLD. SHE SPENT THE REST OF HER LIFE WORKING THERE AND DIED PEACEFULLY AT THE AGE OF 60.

SAINT ZITA IS THE PATRON SAINT OF HOUSEKEEPING. WHEN THE OTHER SERVANTS OR THE FATINELLIS WERE MEAN TO HER, SHE OFFERED UP HER SUFFERINGS TO GOD. WHEN THEY BEGAN TO RESPECT HER, SHE WORKED JUST AS HARD AND REMAINED HUMBLE. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO WORK WELL, FOR GOD!

# SAINT PAUL: TRUE OR FALSE

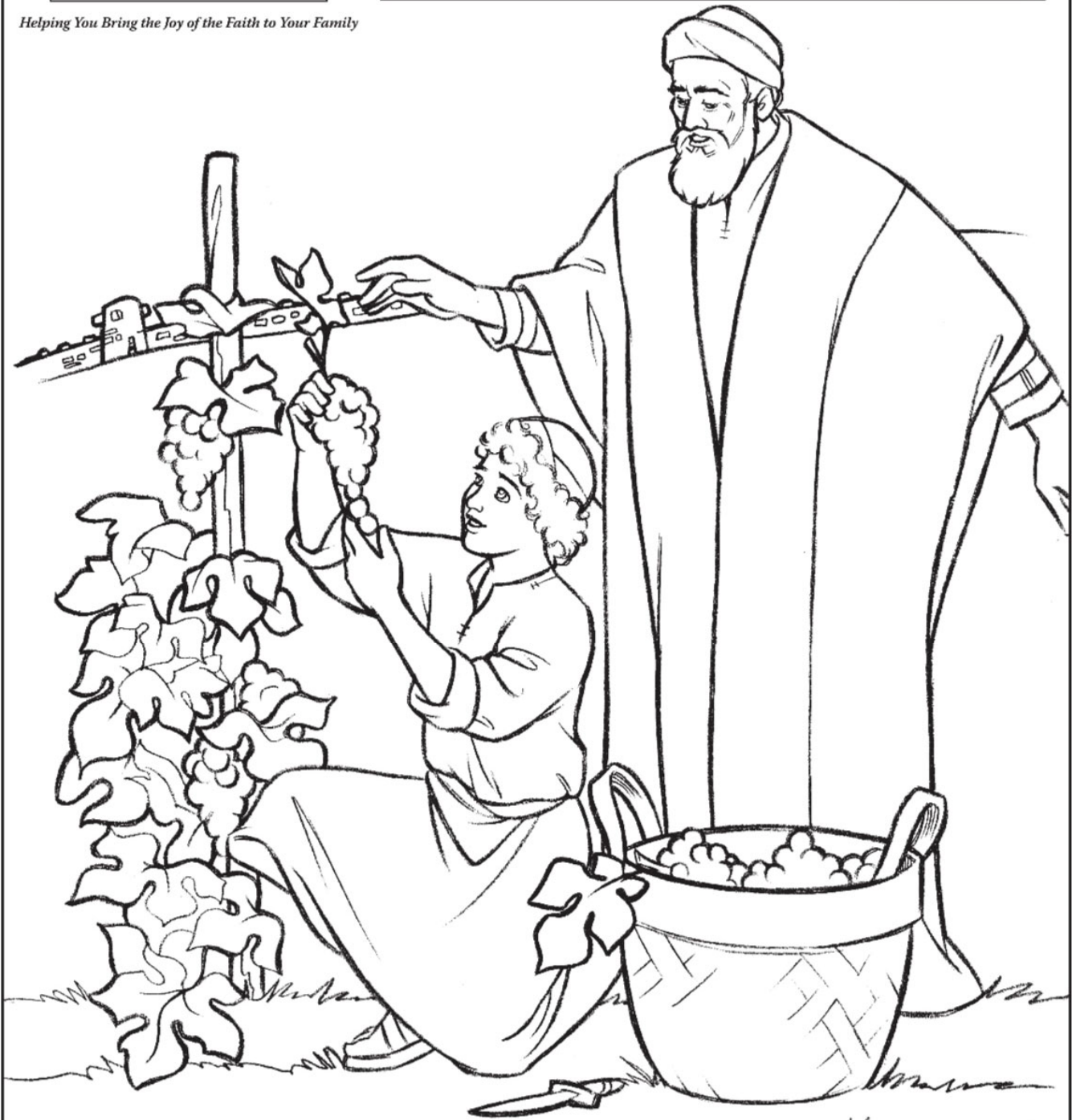
*How much do you know about Saint Paul  
when he first became a Christian?*

1. Saint Paul's name used to be Saul. True or false?
2. Before his conversion, Saint Paul hated the Christians. True or false?
3. The disciples in Jerusalem were afraid of Paul when he first came. True or false?
4. Barnabas told the other Christians that Saint Paul had seen our Lord on the way to Damascus. True or false?
5. It took a long time before Saint Paul began to speak about Jesus in public. True or false?
6. When Saint Paul told some people about Jesus, they tried to kill him. True or false?
7. The other disciples would not let Saint Paul travel around to preach about Jesus. True or false?

*Don't forget to check  
your answers on the  
back page!*



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Jesus said to His disciples: "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does He prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in Me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without Me you can do nothing. (John 15:1-5)

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

1. The color vestments the priest is wearing are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The First Reading is from the book of
  - a. Jeremiah
  - b. Acts
  - c. Joel
3. Fill in the missing word from the First Reading: "It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the \_\_\_\_\_ it grew in numbers."
4. Fill in the missing word from the Responsorial Psalm: "I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of Your \_\_\_\_\_."  
Or the Responsorial Psalm might be: " \_\_\_\_\_!"
5. The Second Reading is from the first letter of
  - a. Corinthians
  - b. John
  - c. Romans
6. In the Second Reading, St. John tells us that God's commandment is:
  - a. To obey our parents
  - b. To believe in Jesus Christ and love one another
  - c. To eat a lot of cookies
7. The Gospel reading is from the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. What does Jesus say He is in this Gospel Reading?
  - a. The true vine
  - b. The Shepherd
  - c. The Healer
9. In this Gospel Reading, who is Jesus talking to?
  - a. His mother, Mary
  - b. His disciples
  - c. St. Paul
10. Fill in the blank from the Gospel Reading: "I am the vine, you are the \_\_\_\_\_."


ANSWER KEY: Fifth Sunday of Easter

1. The color vestments the priest is wearing are white.
2. The First Reading is from the book of
  - a. Jeremiah
  - b. Acts ←Correct!
  - c. Joel
3. Fill in the missing word from the First Reading: "It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers."
4. Fill in the missing word from the Responsorial Psalm: "I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of Your people."  
Or the Responsorial Psalm might be: "Alleluia!"
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## Fifth Sunday of Easter

◇ The color vestments the priest is wearing are...

 circle your answer!

PARENTS & EDUCATORS: *Print in color for best results!*

This worksheet is intended for ages approx. 4-6, those not yet reading or just learning. They may need simple instructions from you to complete the activities.



RED



GREEN



VIOLET



ROSE



WHITE

◇ The first reading is from the book of the Acts of the

Apostles

◇ The Responsorial Psalm is:

I will praise You, Lord, in the assembly of Your people.

◇ The second reading is from the

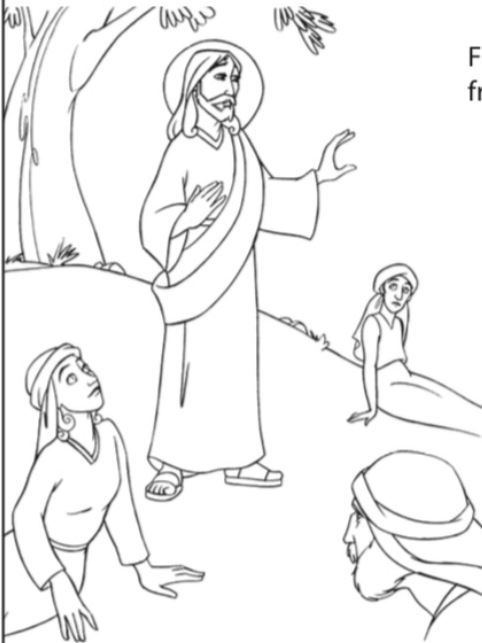
First

Letter of Saint John.

◇ Today's Gospel is according to

John

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit."



Find these words from the Gospel!

- REMAIN
- PRUNED
- BRANCH
- FRUIT
- TRUE
- VINE

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O	N	B	I	F	A	O	F
C	B	R	A	N	C	H	R
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Christ is risen! Alleluia!

# GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE B



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



5th Sunday of Easter • John 15:1-8