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## *Kid's Bulletin*



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## **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**



Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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# What Kind of Fig Tree are You?



In today's Gospel reading, we hear a parable about a fig tree. The owner waited three years for it to grow some figs, but it still wasn't producing any. He told the gardener to cut it down. But the gardener said he would try just for one more year to get it to bear fruit- and if it didn't give any then he would cut it down.

The fig tree is like a person who can do good things but doesn't. The owner shows the justice of God- he has given the tree enough chances so its time is up. But the gardener is like God's mercy. He wants to give the tree one more chance. And he's going to give it extra fertilizer to try to help it.



Lent is a good time to look at our own life and see if we are doing all the good things we can. Maybe there's something nice that we know we could do for someone but we just never bother to. Or maybe we aren't praying quite as much as we know we should. God is giving us a chance to become better people this Lent, and it's your job to make it happen!

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# The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23rd, 2025



*What's wrong with this fig tree?  
See what the two men want to do with it by  
reading what they say in a mirror.*

# The Annunciation

## March 25

MARY WAS A JEWISH GIRL IN THE TOWN OF NAZARETH WHO WAS ENGAGED TO MARRY A VERY GOOD MAN CALLED JOSEPH.



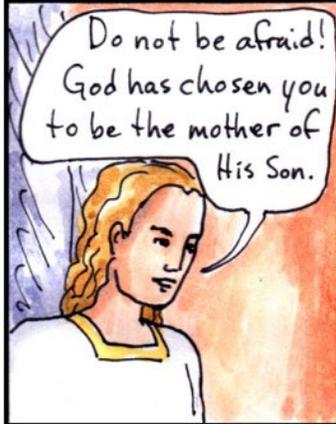
ONE DAY WHILE SHE WAS PRAYING...



Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.

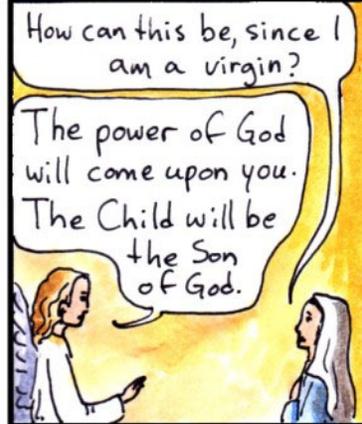


Do not be afraid! God has chosen you to be the mother of His Son.



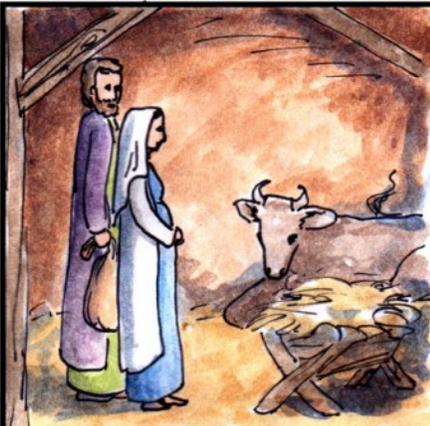
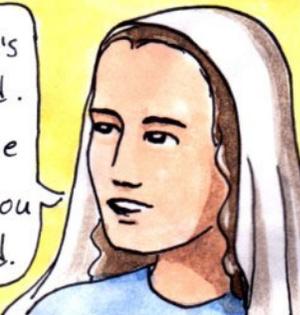
How can this be, since I am a virgin?

The power of God will come upon you. The Child will be the Son of God.



MARY ACCEPTED GOD'S PLAN AND BECAME THE MOTHER OF JESUS.

I am God's handmaid. May it be done as you have said.



SO JESUS GREW INSIDE MARY FOR NINE MONTHS. HE WAS BORN ON CHRISTMAS, AND MARY AND JOSEPH RAISED HIM.

WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR GOD TO COME TO EARTH AS A MAN, HE CHOSE MARY TO BE HIS MOTHER. BUT HE DIDN'T JUST TELL HER THAT SHE WOULD BECOME HIS MOTHER; HE GAVE HER A CHOICE. BECAUSE MARY CHOSE TO SAY "YES" TO GOD, JESUS CAME INTO THE WORLD AND DIED TO LET US INTO HEAVEN!

# The Burning Bush Word-Find

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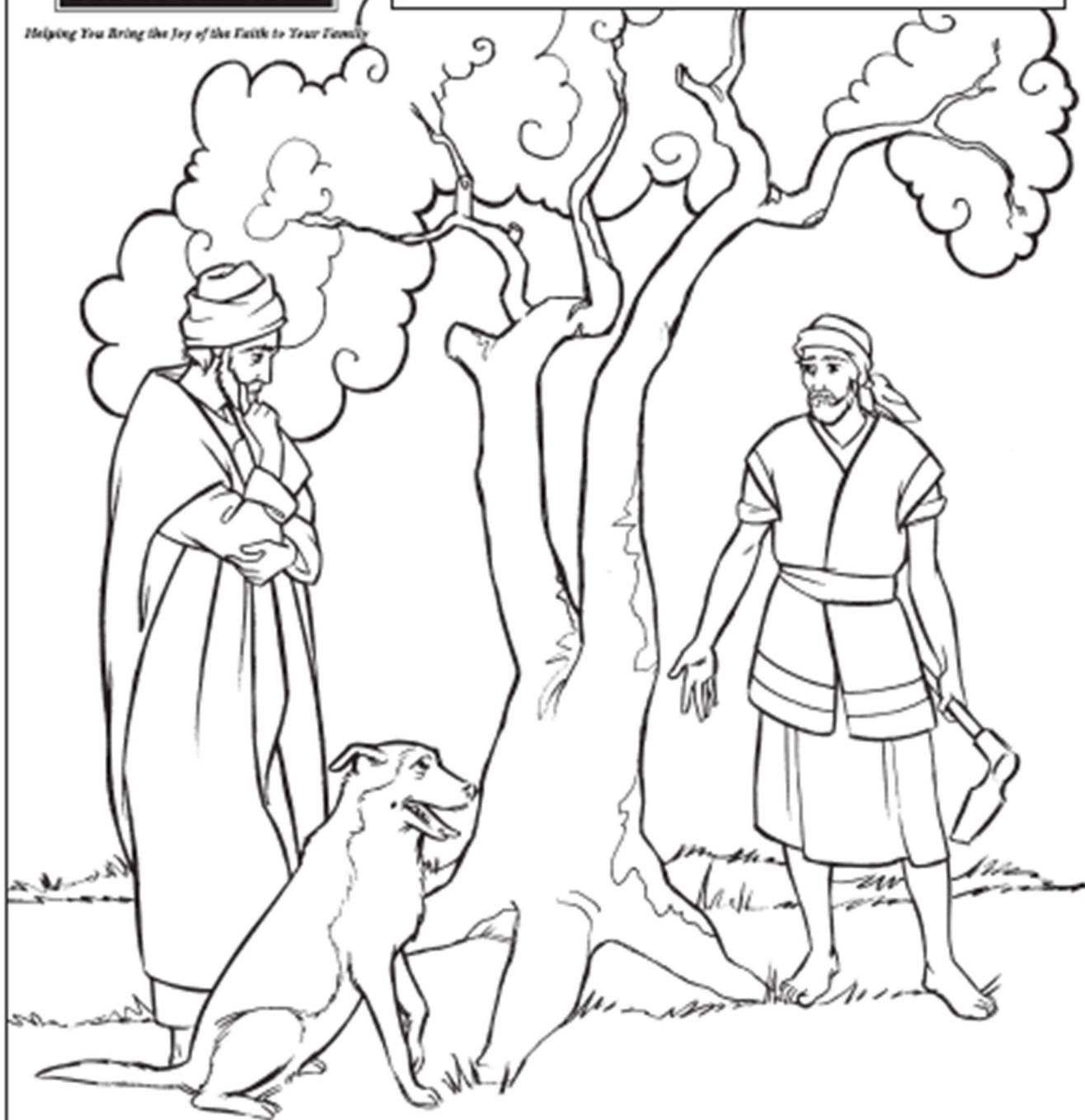
*See if you can find  
all the words  
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in this story.*



*The left over letters  
tell what the  
Israelites in Egypt  
wanted:*

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MOSES was looking after the sheep of his father-in-law, JETHRO, on Mount HOREB. Suddenly he noticed a BUSH that was BLAZING like FIRE, but it wasn't burning up! He came FORWARD to look closer, but GOD spoke from the FLAME, saying "Come no nearer. TAKE your SHOES OFF, for this is HOLY GROUND. I am the God of your fathers-of ABRAHAM, ISAAC and JACOB." Moses was AFRAID to LOOK at God, and covered his FACE. The LORD said, "I HAVE seen the MISERABLE state of my people in EGYPT and heard their cry to be FREE. I will DELIVER them from their SUFFERING and bring them to a new LAND."



"And He told them this parable: 'There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, "For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. [So] cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?" [The gardener] said to him in reply, "Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down."' (Luke 13:6-9)

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# Mass Quiz

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY

Today is the Third Sunday in Lent. Pay close attention during Mass, then answer these questions:

1. What color vestment was the priest wearing this Sunday? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Which book of the Bible was the First Reading from?  
a. Esther                      b. Genesis                      c. Exodus
3. In the First Reading, who was speaking to whom? \_\_\_\_\_ was speaking to \_\_\_\_\_
4. Which book of the Bible was the Second Reading from?  
a. Acts                      b. Romans                      c. 1st Corinthians
5. What did your parish say or sing instead of "Alleluia" before the Gospel? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Which book of the Bible was the Gospel Reading from?  
a. Matthew                      b. Mark                      c. Luke                      d. John
7. Where was Jesus in this Gospel?  
a. Samaria                      b. Speaking to the crowds about the Galileans                      c. Jerusalem
8. Which of the following actions did Jesus do in the Gospel?  
a. Ask for a drink of water                      b. Tell a parable                      c. Drive the tax collectors out of the temple



## *Lenten Adventure Week 3*

### *Mass Quiz: 3rd Sunday of Lent*

Two reading options: Year c (or if Year A Scrutinies)

- 1) Violet or Purple
- 2) C
- 3) God speaking to Moses
- 4) C (or B)
- 5) The most common is "Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!"
- 6) C (or D)
- 7) B (or A)
- 8) B (or A)

## Third Sunday of Lent (the Scrutinies)

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

 circle your answer!



RED



GREEN



VIOLET



ROSE



WHITE

**PARENTS & EDUCATORS:** Print in *color* for best results!  
This worksheet is intended for children not yet reading or just learning.  
They may need simple instructions from you to complete the activities.

+ The first reading is from

Exodus

"Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink."



How many rocks? Write the numbers or make tally marks.



+ The Responsorial Psalm:

If today you hear His voice, harden not your

hearts

"The water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

+ The Second Reading is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the

Romans

Follow the DOT to DOT to reveal the well.

+ The Gospel according to

John



# GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE C



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent • Luke 13:1-9