



'We pray together at home.'

The Third Sunday Lent

Year B

Sunday 7th March

'THOUGH WE ARE MANY, WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST.'
1 CORINTHIANS 12:12

During this time when we may be unable to join together with our parish communities to celebrate the Eucharist, we offer you this resource as a way of engaging with the readings and prayers of the Mass. The readings are taken from the Lectionary for children.

These resources can be used whilst participating digitally in the many private Masses that priests in our diocese are offering online.

*We hope you find this resource useful.
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Click here to find the full list of all online streamed Masses available throughout the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle.

<http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/health/coronavirus.php#area3>



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Creating a place of prayer in the home.

Light a candle and gather together with your family. You might place a Crucifix or a Holy Image next to your candle. If you have a Bible, you may like to open the Bible to the readings that are going to be used during Mass today.

Use the link on the first page of this document to access Livestreamed Masses from around the Diocese.

We Gather together as God's family and ask for His Forgiveness

*We gather together in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
Amen.*

We turn to God asking for His guidance and strength in our lives.

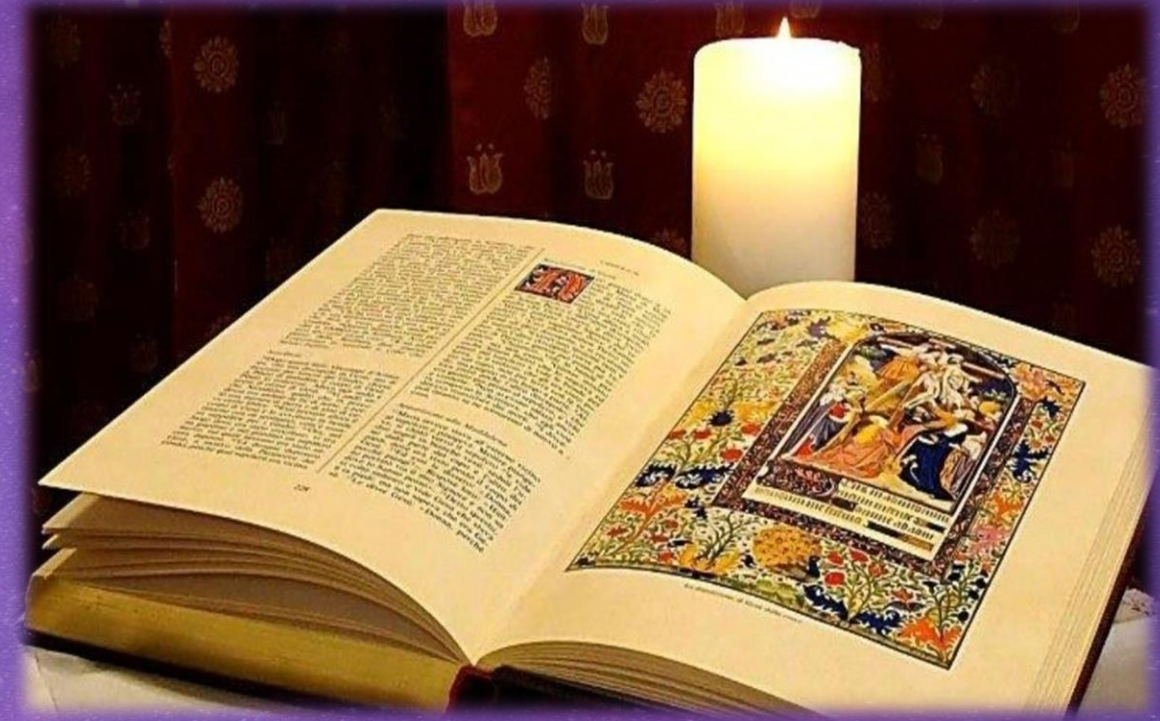
Lord Jesus, You heal the sick- Lord have mercy

Lord Jesus, You forgive sinners- Christ have mercy

Lord Jesus, You give us yourself to feed us and bring us strength- Lord have mercy

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen



We pray together

God of life, your Son Jesus went out into the desert to talk to you in prayer. Help us to talk to you and get closer to you this Lent, in our prayers and in our actions. Through Christ our

Lord,
Amen.



THE YEAR OF THE WORD

We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the book of Exodus 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

The Lord gave Moses these commandments:

I am the Lord your God.

I brought you out of Egypt, where you were slaves.

Do not worship any god except me.

Do not misuse my name.

I am the Lord your God,

and I will punish anyone who misuses my name.

Remember that the Sabbath Day belongs to me.

Respect your father and mother,

and you will live a long time in the land that I am giving you.

Do not murder.

Be faithful in marriage.

Do not steal.

Do not tell lies about others.

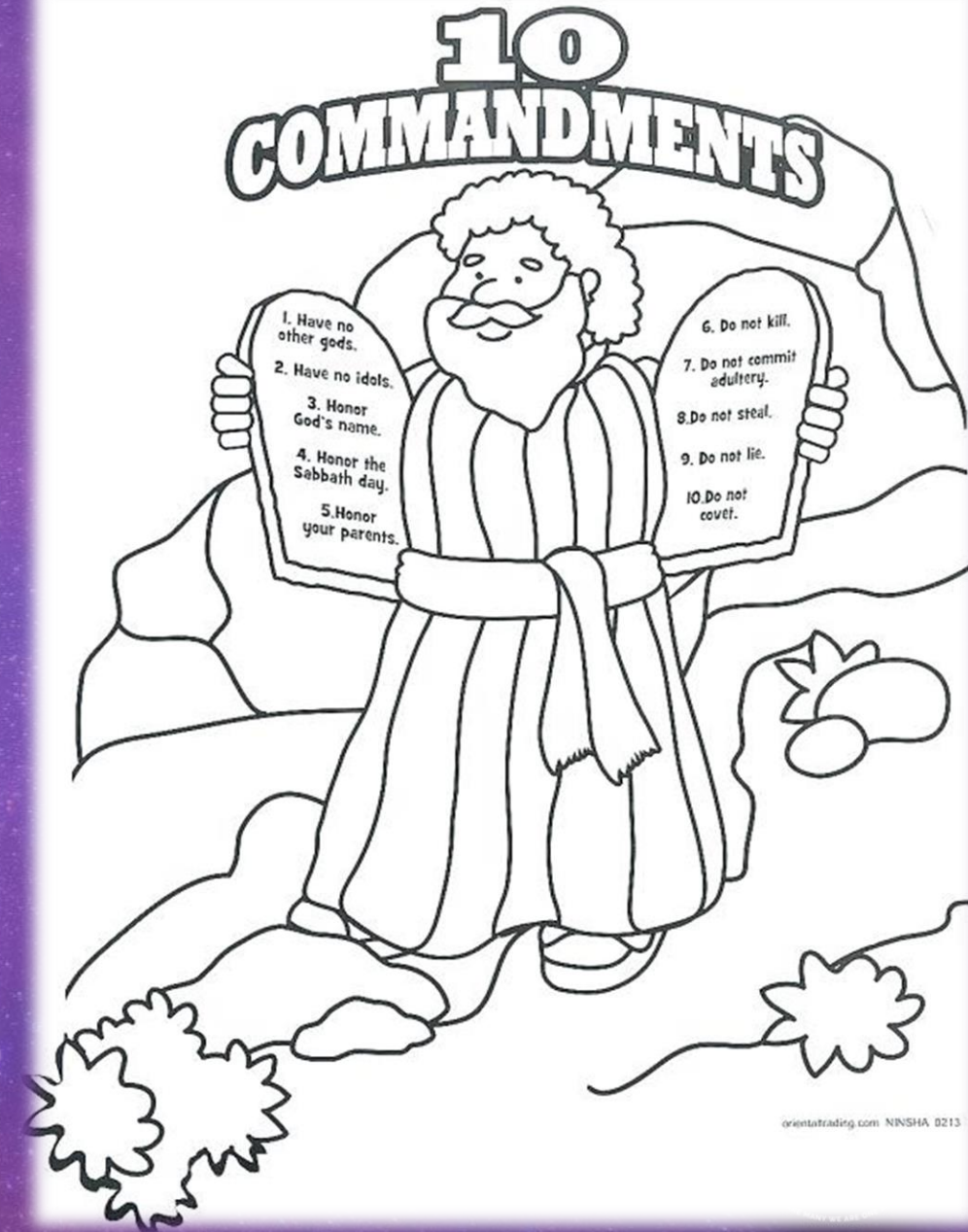
Do not want what belong to someone else.

Do not want anyone's house or wife or slaves

or cattle or donkeys or anything else.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



We Listen to the Word of God:

The Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

*The Law of the Lord is perfect;
it gives us new life.*

*His teachings last forever,
and they give wisdom
to ordinary people.*

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

*The Lord's instruction is right;
it makes our hearts glad.*

*His commands shine brightly,
and they give us light.*

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

*All of his decisions
are correct and fair.
They are worth more
than the finest gold.*

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.



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We Greet the Good News by saying:

R. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Rid yourselves of all your sins

and make a new heart and a new spirit.

R. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

† A reading from the holy gospel according to John
2:13-22

Not long before the Jewish festival of Passover,
Jesus went to Jerusalem.

There he found people selling cattle, sheep, and
doves in the temple.

He also saw moneychangers sitting at their tables.

So he took some rope and made a whip. Then he
chased everyone out of the temple,

together with their sheep and cattle. He turned
over the tables of the moneychangers

and scattered their coins. Jesus said to the people
who had been selling doves,

"Get those doves out of here! Don't make my
Father's house a marketplace."



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The disciples then remembered that the Scriptures say, "My love for your house burns in me like a fire." The Jewish leaders asked Jesus, "What miracle will you work to show us why you have done this?"

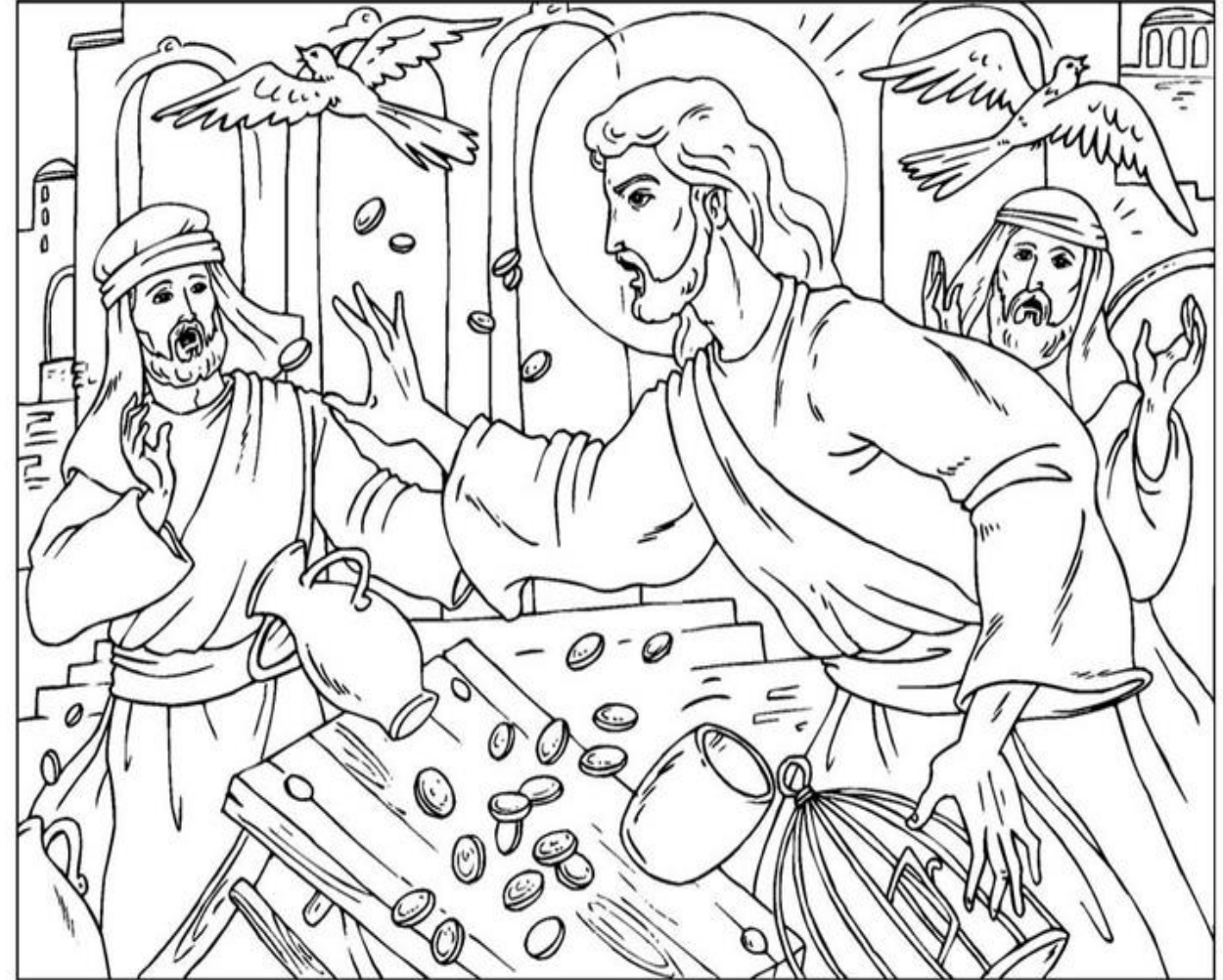
"Destroy this temple," Jesus answered, "and in three days I will build it again!"

The leaders replied, "It took forty-six years to build this temple.

What makes you think you can rebuild it in three days?"

But Jesus was talking about his body as a temple. And when he was raised from death, his disciples remembered what he had told them. Then they believed the Scriptures and the words of Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



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We Respond - taken from www.adorers.org

It is clear from Scripture, and our lives, that at times people put too much attention, energy and money on the wrong things. The passage from Exodus reminds us of one of our most important mysteries: ONE GOD.

When we read the 10 commandments, we forget that when the people first heard these: It was new! They hadn't really thought about how they treated one another—within the same tribe or people—as having any impact on God. They were earning about a God who didn't desire human sacrifice (REMEMBER: Don't harm the boy— Isaac!) This ONE GOD was different than pleasing the god of wind, rain, fire, crops, sickness and health. One God instead of many? WOW.

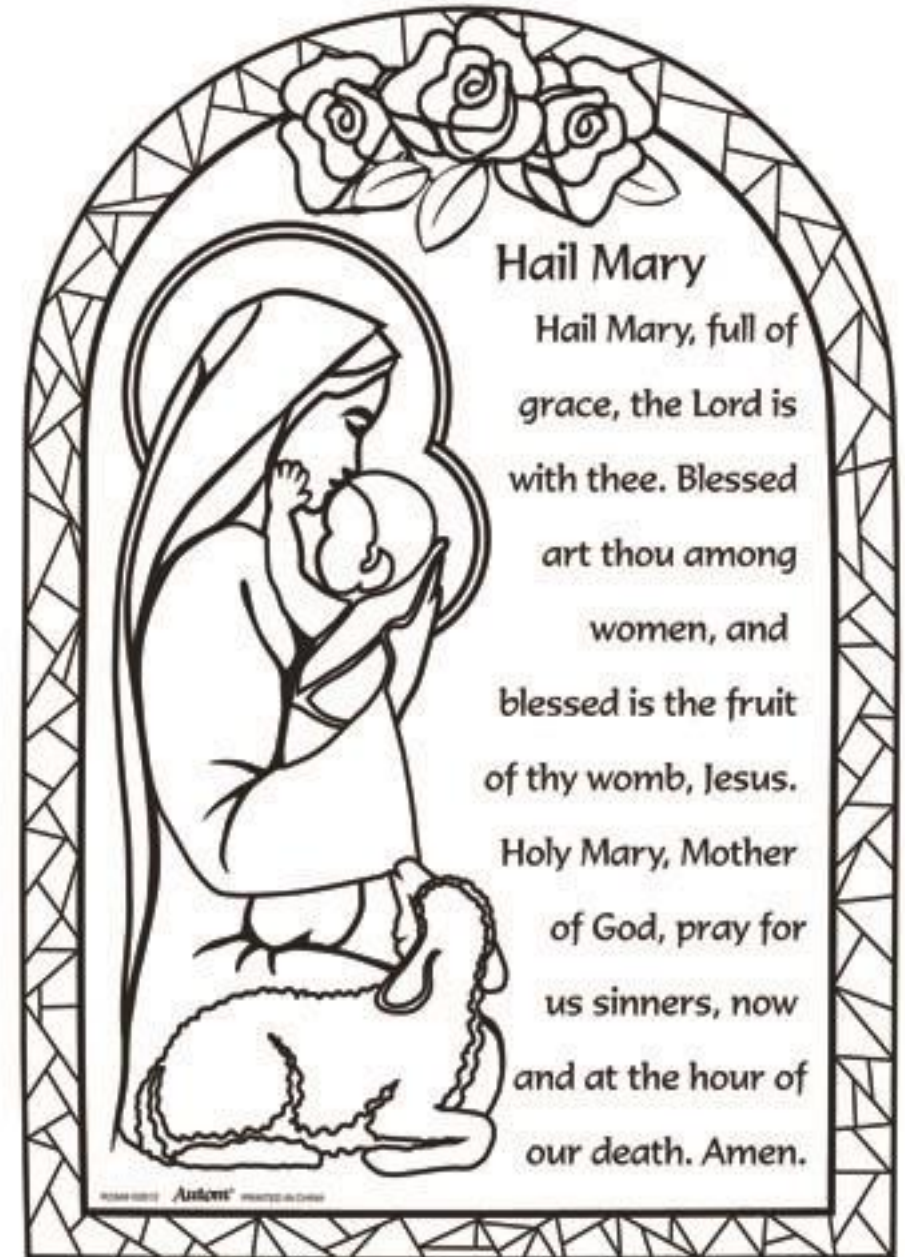
The story of Jesus in the temple takes on new meaning with this understanding. Jesus made a whip and drove them out of the temple because the people were using externals—money and animals for sacrifice—trying to "win" God's approval. Jesus knew: God wants our hearts not the things we can buy or own!!

People, the Gospel states, "began to believe in his name when they saw the signs Jesus was doing." When the people could see Jesus loving everyone; healing others; forgiving others, telling others to be free and walk and talk. WOW, who wouldn't believe. Well, we know who. US. We sometimes get stuck into believing, at least acting, like God needs "things" to make up for what is not happening in our relationships—in families, nations, countries and the world!

Whether there are 10 LAWS/COMMANDMENTS or 12 or 8 or just 2—it is clear: Our God wants our hearts and our love—for self and others! Love is the only law that we can never fulfil too much.

We Profess our faith in God together:

I believe in God the Father, I believe in God the Son, I believe in God the Holy Spirit. Our God is three, Our God is One.



We Respond (Bidding Prayers from CAFOD)

You may want to ask the children to offer their own prayers or you can use the suggestions below.

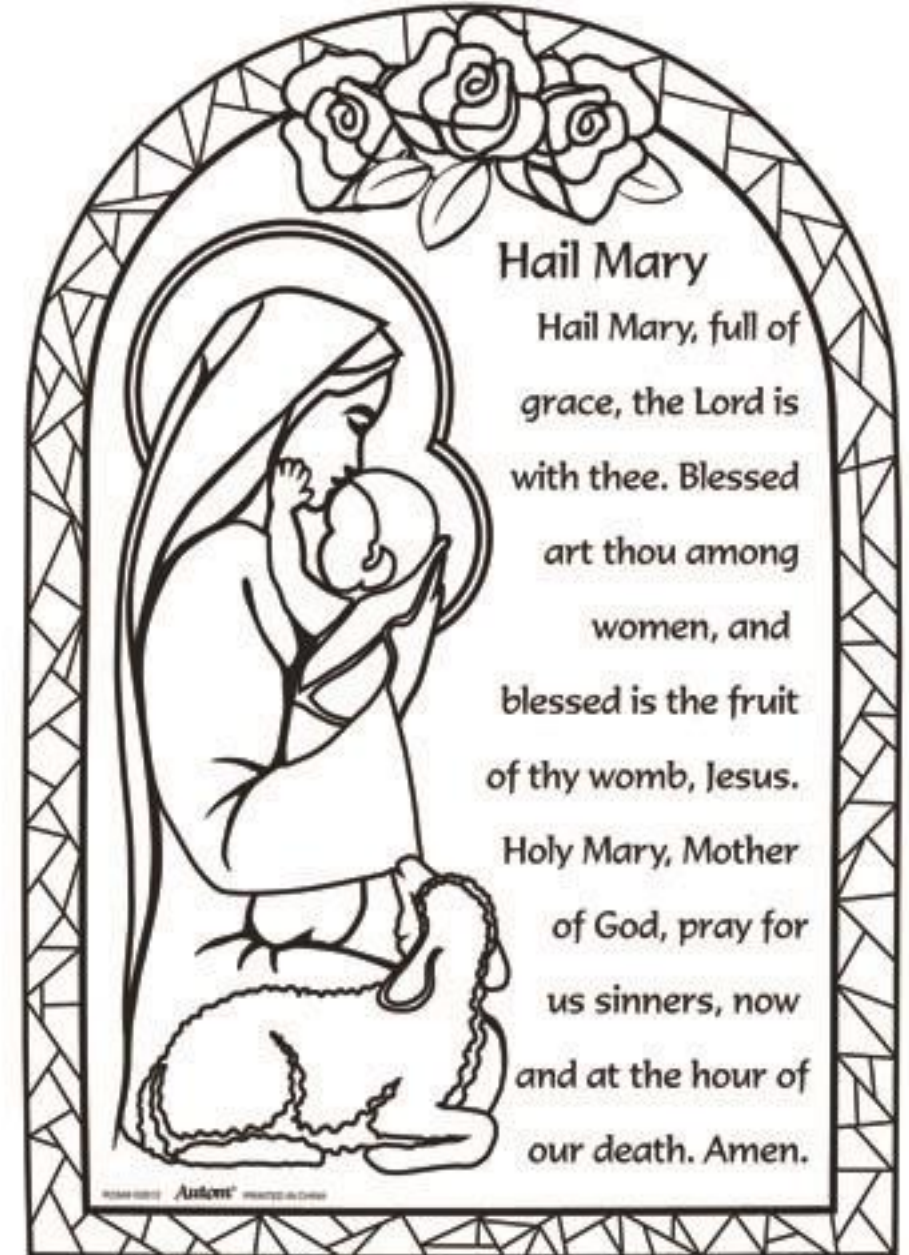
It can be hard to stand up for what we believe in and so we pray together for God's help:

We pray for the Church throughout the world: that it may be strong in standing up for what it believes and may help to build a fairer world. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for all people who grow the food we eat around the world: that they may get a fair price for all their hard work. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may follow Jesus's example and never be afraid to stand up for what is right and fair. Lord, in your mercy...

Closing prayer: Christ Jesus, show us how to be brave enough to stand up for what is right and fair. Give us the courage to change the things we know are wrong and help us to make the world a fairer place for our brothers and sisters around the world. Amen.



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We Pray the Family Prayer of All Christians
Our Father...

We now make an Act of Spiritual Communion
My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

*I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen*

We end our time of prayer

May God Bless us and keep us safe.

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen*



We can join in the Celebration of Mass online by visiting the following website:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Egg-cFTh5i2y_EQw

- St. Mary's RC Cathedral, Newcastle
(Sunday Mass at 11:30am- Daily Mass 12 noon)

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Activity Ideas- From CAFOD

Invite the children to colour in the illustration.

Ask the children to colour in the accompanying illustration and write or draw on the back what they will do to try to make the world a fairer place over the next week.

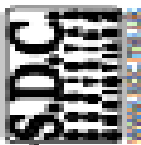
Ask the children to tell their family all that that they have heard and thought about during the session. See more Fairtrade activities for children at cafod.org.uk/primary/fairtrade

If you haven't already printed out and given older children the one-page primary Lent calendar from cafod.org.uk/primary, you could do so today and/or remind them to use some of the activities on it this week.

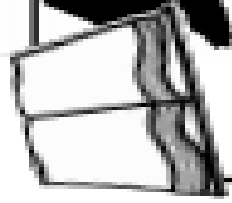




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Speak, Lord

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 18
1 Corinthians 1:23-25
John 2:13-25

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year B — 3rd Sunday of Lent

In JERUSALEM ...
Jesus got ANGRY
People were not RESPECTING



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Draw Jesus' face as he was angry with the sellers in the Temple.

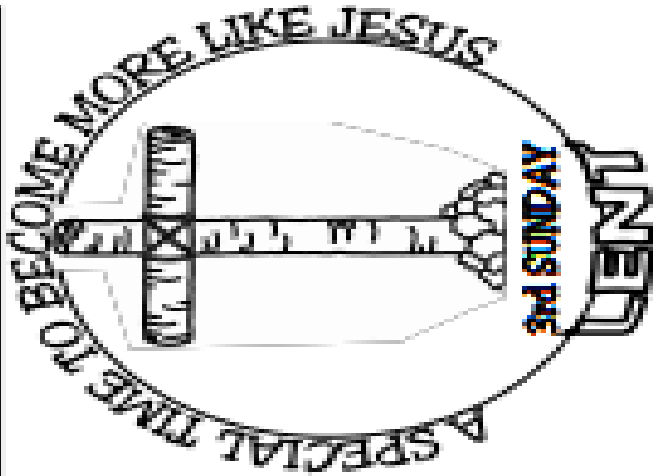
Then He said: **"WHEN I DIE I WILL**

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Put the numbered letters in order to find out what Jesus said.

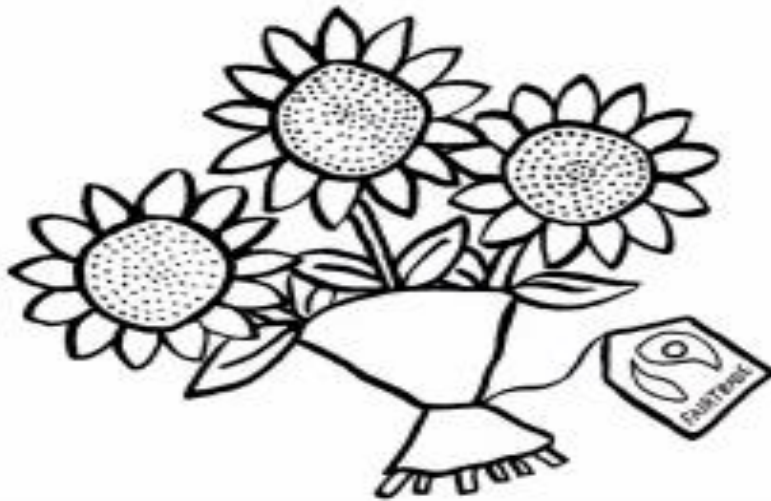
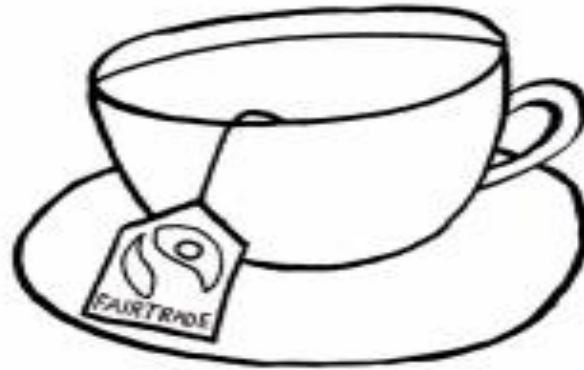
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TODAY is the
THIRDSUNDAY
of LENT



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Third Sunday of Lent
Gospel: John 2:13-25



Play the Fairtrade shopper game at cafod.org.uk/families