

Our Lady of the Rosary

Our Lady of the Rosary is a Catholic community serving individuals and families in Southeast Boise with their spiritual and temporal needs through the example of Jesus under the guidance of the Holy Spirit to further the Kingdom of God.

Boise

Holy Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Sunday 5:30 pm

Monday -Thursday 8:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm

or upon request

St. Joseph's Idaho City

First Sunday **Mass** at 12 noon

Other Sundays **Communion** at 10:30 am

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This week at Our Lady of the Rosary

***Third Sunday of Advent
December 13, 2020***

Mon	7:30	am	Liturgy of the Hours
Dec 14	8:00	am	Morning Mass
Tue	7:30	am	Liturgy of the Hours
Dec 15	7:00	pm	RCIA
Wed	6:30	am	Reel Men on Zoom
Dec 16	7:30	am	Liturgy of the Hours
	8:00	am	Morning Mass
	4:00	pm	No - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
	4:00	pm	Reconciliation with Fr. Dat
	4:00	pm	iGnite - online
	7:00	pm	Family Rosary on Zoom
Thu	7:30	am	Liturgy of the Hours
Dec 17	8:00	am	Mass
	8:30	am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Noon
Fri	7:30	am	Liturgy of the Hours
Dec 18	8:00	am	Eucharistic Service
	10:00	am	No - Playgroup
Sat	3:30	pm	Reconciliation
Dec 19	5:00	pm	Mass
Sun	9:00	am	Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass
Dec 20	10:15	am	No- Children's Faith Formation
	10:15	am	No- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
	3:00	pm	After Mass Scripture Study - online
	5:30	pm	Mass
	8:00	pm	iGnite - online



REJOICE

Be Filled with joy. Pray constantly. Give God thanks because the Lord expects us to give thanks and praise in Christ Jesus. Jesus comes with good news to free us and to clothe us with salvation. With the bridal cloak to shield us, the church helps us witness to the bright divine light of the Lord in our lives. Each event in our life is part of the coming of the Lord; John the Baptizer announces Jesus' arrival. Will we receive him with his cross joyfully?

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Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11, Luke 1:46-48,49-50,53-54, 1Thessalonians 5:15-24, John 1:6-8,19-28
Next week: 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16, Psalm 89:2-3,4-5,27,29, Romans 16:25-27, Luke 1:26-38

Happy Birthday

- Dec 14 Karen Di Nucci, Ian Hoisington, Shaunie Kim, Luke Schamburg, Jeff Schoenfelder
- Dec 15 Jason Brinkman, Renee Coyle, John Kennedy, Mike Lechner, John Nordin, Andrew Smith, Mary Elena Starr
- Dec 16 Christopher Burke, Breatriz Maria Castro, Kyle Erne, Samuel Fisher, Ruth Poynor, Matthew Thompson, Carlos Trejo, Norma Trejo
- Dec 17 Ryan Brant, Robbye Clements, Teresa Cortens, Thomas Doerr, Janet Jennings, Aron Lunde, Tom Meyer, William Newton, Jacques Roy, Akela Storch
- Dec 18 Nikolas Eads, Christopher Goodale, Michael Ruffalo, Andrea Sawyer, Sorie Sharp, Nekane James, Peter Vidmar
- Dec 19 Harriett Coyle, Jeff Glynn, Joel Mills, Connie Moser
- Dec 20 David Ferbrache, Ellen Fisher, Rafael Gonzalez, Elaine Majewski

Thank you for your Continuing Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure.

Your gift of treasure this week \$11,298

	Servers	Lectors	Ministers
Dec 19 Sat 5:00 pm		Bruce Derry	
	Servers and Eucharistic Ministers will be scheduled as needed.		
Dec 20 Sun 9:00 am		Mary Poell Katy Rice	
	Servers and Eucharistic Ministers will be scheduled as needed.		
	Home Visiting will be put on hold until further notice. Please pray for our homebound		
Dec 13 Sun 5:30 pm		Vesper Gmirkin Cheryl Gmirkin	
	Servers and Eucharistic Ministers will be scheduled as needed.		

Items for bulletin or Announcements need to be in the office by Monday, 11:30 am for the following Sunday

Children's Faith Formation

◆ **Children's Faith Formation will be virtual this week.** For the Safety of our Catechists and Families, we have decided to have all classes be virtual until after the New Year. In-person classes hope to resume Sunday January 10, and Family Faith Formation Wednesday, January 13, 2020.

◆ **CFF Families may God bless you with health and happiness this Advent and Christmas Season.** Thank you for sending your children to Children's Faith Formation.

Enjoy your Holiday break! **Thank you Catechists and Volunteers!** Sharing the Catholic faith with the children of our Parish is so important; we could not do it without all of you. It is with sincere gratitude, we thank you for your time, talent, and treasure. Parents, please share your appreciation with your child's teachers with a kind word, email, card, or small gift.

◆ **Online Family Resource Spotlight:** What to look for this month on FORMED.org:

Programs - Road to Bethlehem Advent .

Movies – Mary of Nazareth, Kristoph, Nicholas: The boy who became Santa and the First Christmas Tree;

Audio - Prepare the Way of the King by Dr. Scott Hann & The True Meaning of Christmas by Archbishop Fulton Sheen;

Books – Come, Lord Jesus Meditations on the Art of

Waiting. Sign-up for free at www.formed.org

Look for Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Boise.

Children's Liturgy of the Word at Home: Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ On this final Sunday of Advent, the Angel Gabriel visits Mary to announce the birth of Jesus. Like Mary, we are given the opportunity to participate in God's saving plan. Prepare and pray together as a family as you read and discuss the Bible passages below.

Reading I: 2 Samuel 7:1-5m8b-12m 14am16

Psalm: Psalm 89: 2-3,4-5,27,29

Reading II: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38



◆ **Adult:** How do you open your heart to what God wants for you? How do you follow the pathway that leads to happiness?

◆ **Child:** If you were to tell someone one thing about Jesus' mother, Mary, what would you say?



Those attending these Masses **MUST** wear a mask. If you cannot wear a mask, then we ask that you watch the video Mass at home instead. Masks will be available if you have forgotten to bring one. Please wash your hands thoroughly prior to attending Mass, and follow distancing guidelines.



Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is online and better than ever - "Deception" is about understanding the lies that we believe and how those can prevent us from becoming the person who God has designed us to be. Don't miss out on this four part series! Parents: This is a great opportunity to watch an amazing series with your child. Check it out on one of our two Zoom gatherings or Contact Cindy for more information. Youth Gatherings are available **Wednesday at 4PM** or **Sunday at 8PM**. Zoom Links will be sent out on Wednesday for this event. BEGINS WEDNESDAY, Dec. 9th

After Mass: This is a great way to discuss the reading more and "break open" how they can apply to your life. Join us Sunday's at 3:00PM

Girls Book Club: We will be beginning a book club for girls on Dec. 20th. The book is "How to Find your Soul mate without losing your soul" by Jason & Crystalina Evert. The cost of the book is \$5. Please contact Cindy at canderson@olrboise.org if you are interested or sign up outside the youth room on the bulletin board.

Anonymous Pen Pal: With all the virtual things going on in the world, let us get back to basics! Would you like to get a letter or card in the mail? Connect with other youth group members... but here is the deal – no names, or things that would give away your identity. We will have a reveal at the end of the school year. If you are interested in participating let Cindy know or sign up outside the youth room.

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Firepit Ministry



Monday, Dec 14th - Monday: 8:00 pm

The Unmentionables Series

Zoom login information: ID 5179998810

<https://soundcloud.com/firepit-ministry> for all of the past Theology on Tap and Holy Grounds speakers recordings.



Charitable Gift Fair During this Advent Season the Parish Council is sponsoring a virtual Gift Fair. Rather than the traditional event that is usually held in the Parish Hall, you will have the opportunity to donate to 7 local charities by going to the parish website OLRBoise.org. Checks may also be made payable to OLR (please specify the name of the charity and the amount). This has been a difficult year for so many, and these charities are working hard to provide essential services to people locally and internationally. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information on the work of these agencies and consider making a donation to one or more of the charities. Donations will be accepted from November 28 - December 20.

More News from Our Lady of the Rosary



Blessing to V Cuppage - Sunday December 13th during the 5:30pm Mass she will receive the Rite of Profession to the Secular Franciscan Order.



Coats for Kids

Our Lady of the Rosary's Knights of Columbus are asking for your help. The economic fallout from the current pandemic has hit families hard.

Consider donating new or like new coats for others to use. Coat collection barrels/boxes will be stationed outside the church hall lobby. Coats will be collected from Nov 14th through Jan 3, 2021.

Thank you in advance from your Knights in Action!



Nativity Scene - Set to Display at the State Capitol, Dec 19th from 12 noon to 4 pm. Children of two families will bring the Christ Child to the manger. All are invited to visit anytime during the hours of display, and join in caroling.

The Nativity scene at the Idaho State Capitol will be an annual tradition, with hopefully a longer time frame in coming years



HELP PREVENT HOMELESSNESS THROUGH ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul is raising money through the *Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge, December 10 – 31*. Many of our neighbors are struggling to make ends meet. So many are only one crisis from a spiral into homelessness. St. Vincent de Paul is working hard to bridge that gap!

Your donation to St. Vincent de Paul Southwest Idaho through the *Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge* will enable more local families to stay in their homes, during these cold, winter months. St. Vincent de Paul volunteers visit families in crisis and assist them by paying a portion of their rent or utility bill, which can stop utility shut off or eviction. The sponsors of the Avenues for Hope campaign provide matching funds and incentives to multiply your donation. To donate, go to our website: www.svdpid.org and click on the *Avenues for Hope* link.

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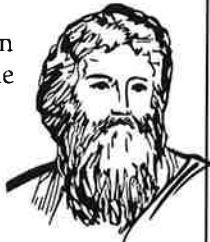
December 2020

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One Minute Meditations

Holiday advice

The holiday season is an important time in the Church but, in the midst of a pandemic, it can also be a time when health worries, money worries, family worries, and every kind of worry intrudes. Instead, try to follow this advice from St. Paul, *"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."* (Philippians 4:8).



Unborn joy

"When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb ..." (Luke 1:40). Even in the womb, John was filled with joy to serve God. With the coming of Christmas, look for ways to do God's will and then leap for joy as you fulfill His plan.

"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).



God is love

We call God "Creator," "Savior," "Father," yet when we really want to understand who He is, one word is enough. God is love.

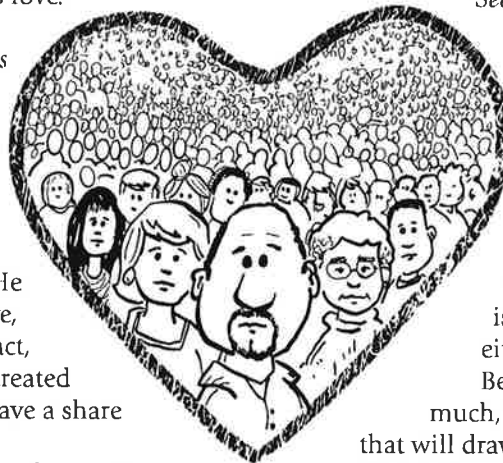
"Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love." (1 John 4:8). Love is the very nature and essence of God Himself. He doesn't just love, He is love. In fact, that's why He created us, so we can have a share in that love.

We are not simply swept up in the good will God has toward all his creations. He loves each of us as individuals and that love is never-ending and unconditional. *"Can*

a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you.

See, upon the palms of my hands I have written your name" (Isaiah 49:15-16). This is not necessarily because we are good; we can't possibly earn the vast love He has for us. But the good news is we can't lose it either.

Because He loves us so much, He denies us nothing that will draw us closer to him and to life in Heaven. *"For God so loved the world,"* Jesus declared, *"that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life"* (John 3:16).



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe in a "virgin birth?"

Before Jesus was born, Isaiah was told, *"the virgin shall be with child, and bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel"* (Isaiah 7:14). The virgin birth was documented in Luke 1:34.

Had Jesus been conceived like the rest of

us, He could not have been a perfect sacrifice for our sins.

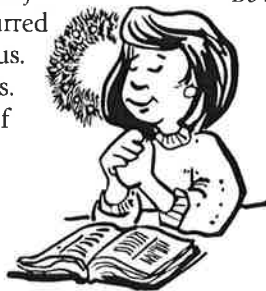
"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).



Awaken to the presence of God on Christmas morning

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). An amazing truth occurred at the first Christmas; God came and lived among us. Even more amazing, He continues to live among us. During Advent, take steps to become more aware of His presence.

Begin each day in his presence. Before you get out of bed in the morning, place yourself in His presence. Take a few minutes to focus on a sacred picture or an image that will help you to



"Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10).

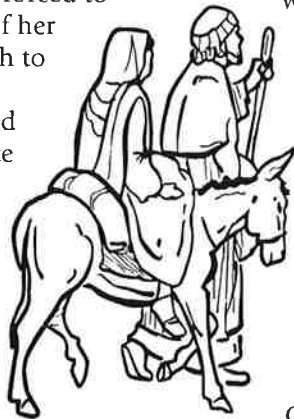
Seek God's Word. Start your day with Scripture such as the daily Mass readings (found on www.usccb.org) or another reading you choose. Ask God to teach you during the day from that selection.

Speak to him throughout the day. Picture the Lord next to you throughout your day and talk with Him as you experience the day together. Brother Lawrence, a 17th century monk, suggested prayer shouldn't be confined to formal times.

from Scripture

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23, God chooses each of us in a special way.

Mary and Joseph were forced to travel in the last stages of her pregnancy from Nazareth to Bethlehem. On foot or donkey, it was a dirty and exhausting journey. Once there, they had no option for decent housing and had to stay in a stable with animals. Young Mary gave birth in crude conditions with no friend or family to help.



After a short time, they fled to Egypt with their newborn to escape threats from the government, and stayed there for several years. There

were no friendly faces to greet the family once they arrived and they had to make their own way in an unfamiliar land.

Refugees all over the world flee violence like the Holy Family. Catholics have a special charge to protect them and those who are vulnerable: children, elderly, and poor.

Like Mary's and Joseph's, God has a special place for each of us in his plan of salvation. Prayerfully ask God what he wants you to do for him and his kingdom.

Q & A How do Catholics benefit from praying the Rosary?

The Rosary is a simple prayer adapted from the complex prayers of medieval monks. It's a powerful prayer because in it, we ask Mary—whose prayers are never refused—to pray for us. In addition, the



mysteries of the Rosary introduce us to the lives of Jesus and Mary. Each mystery is associated with a fruit. For example, the fruit of the mystery of the Annunciation is humility. Praying the

Rosary opens us to the graces to be more Christ-like.

A prayer with roots in Scripture, the Rosary begins with the Apostles' Creed, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic Faith. The Our Father that introduces each mystery is from the Gospels. The first part of the Hail Mary that follows is from the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the Hail Mary.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.

Feasts & Celebrations

Dec. 14 – St. John of the Cross (1591). As a Carmelite, St. John led a reform in the Order to encourage more prayer and simplicity. Briefly jailed over a misunderstanding, some of his best spiritual writing came from this experience.

Dec. 21 – St. Peter Canisius (1597). Born in Holland, he was ordained into the Society of Jesus and vigorously safeguarded the Catholic faith through writings and teaching. His work, *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, is still used today.

Dec. 26 – St. Stephen (first century). A deacon of the early Church, St. Stephen preached that God can be found everywhere, not just in one place like the temple. He angered the Jewish authorities and became the first martyr of the Catholic Church.

Dec. 27 – The Holy Family (1st century). On the feast of the Holy Family, we celebrate the family life of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. By their love and support of one another the Holy Family is a model for all Christian families.



Our Mission

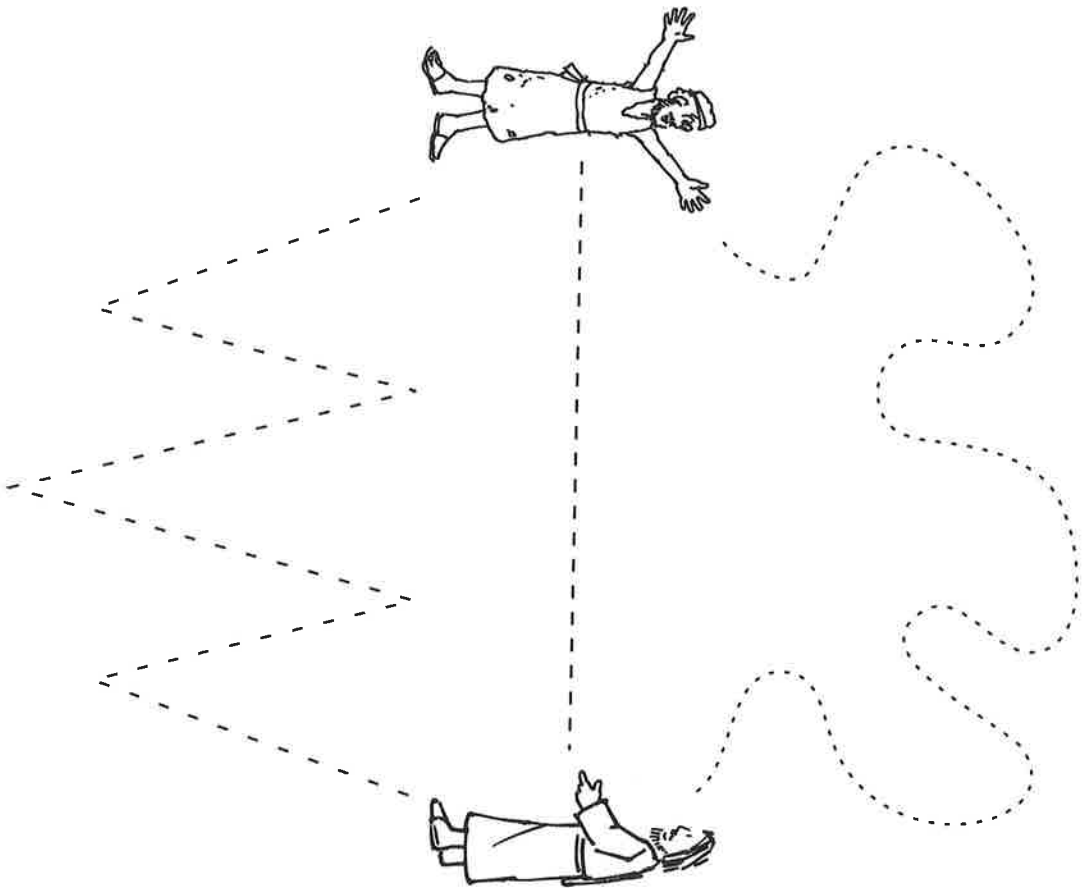
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John answered, "I am
the voice of one calling in the desert,
'Make straight the way for the Lord.'"

Trace the straight path.



Children's Worship Bulletin

Ages 3+





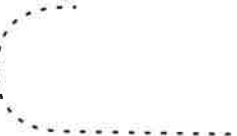
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Make Straight the Way of the Lord



There was a man
sent from God.
His name was John.

Write the beginning sounds for each picture.

John told about Jesus.



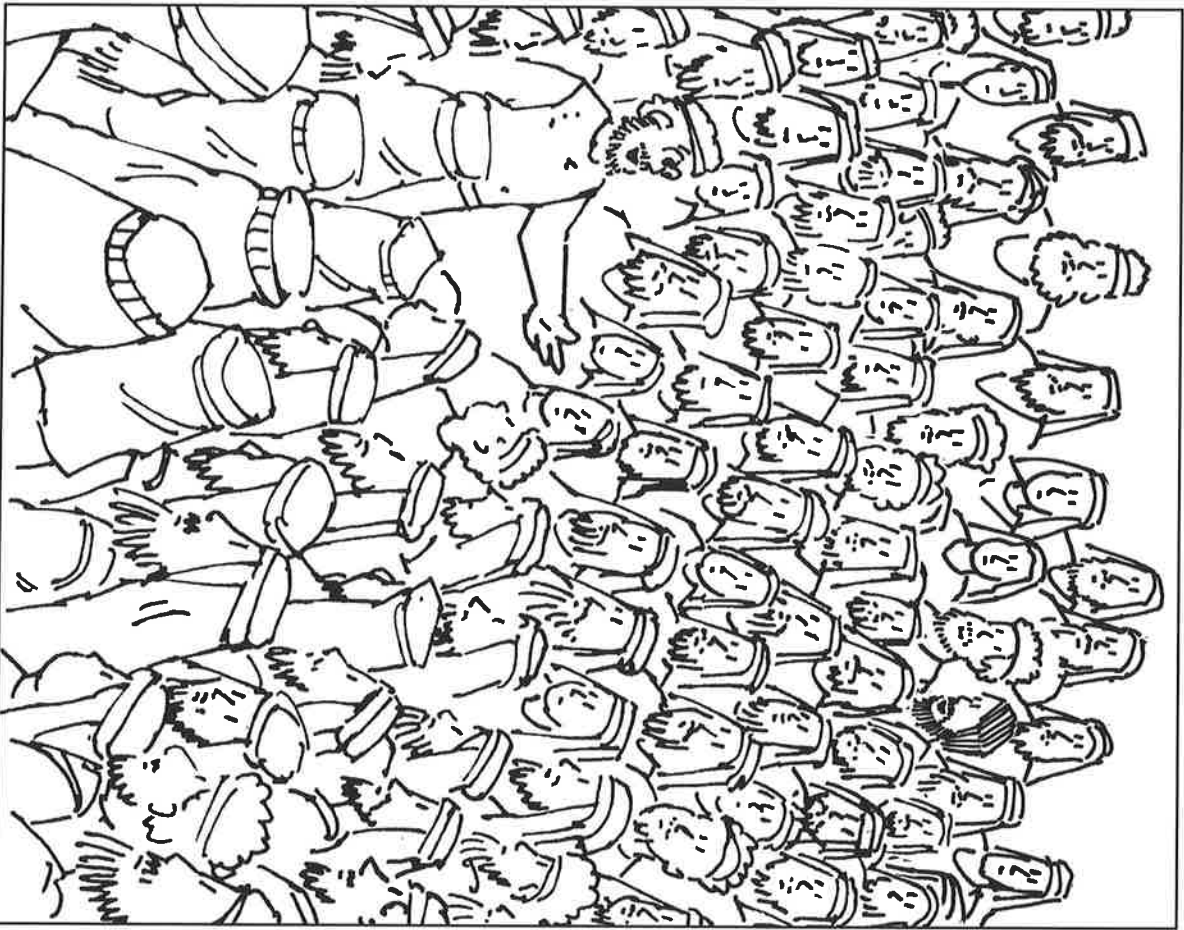
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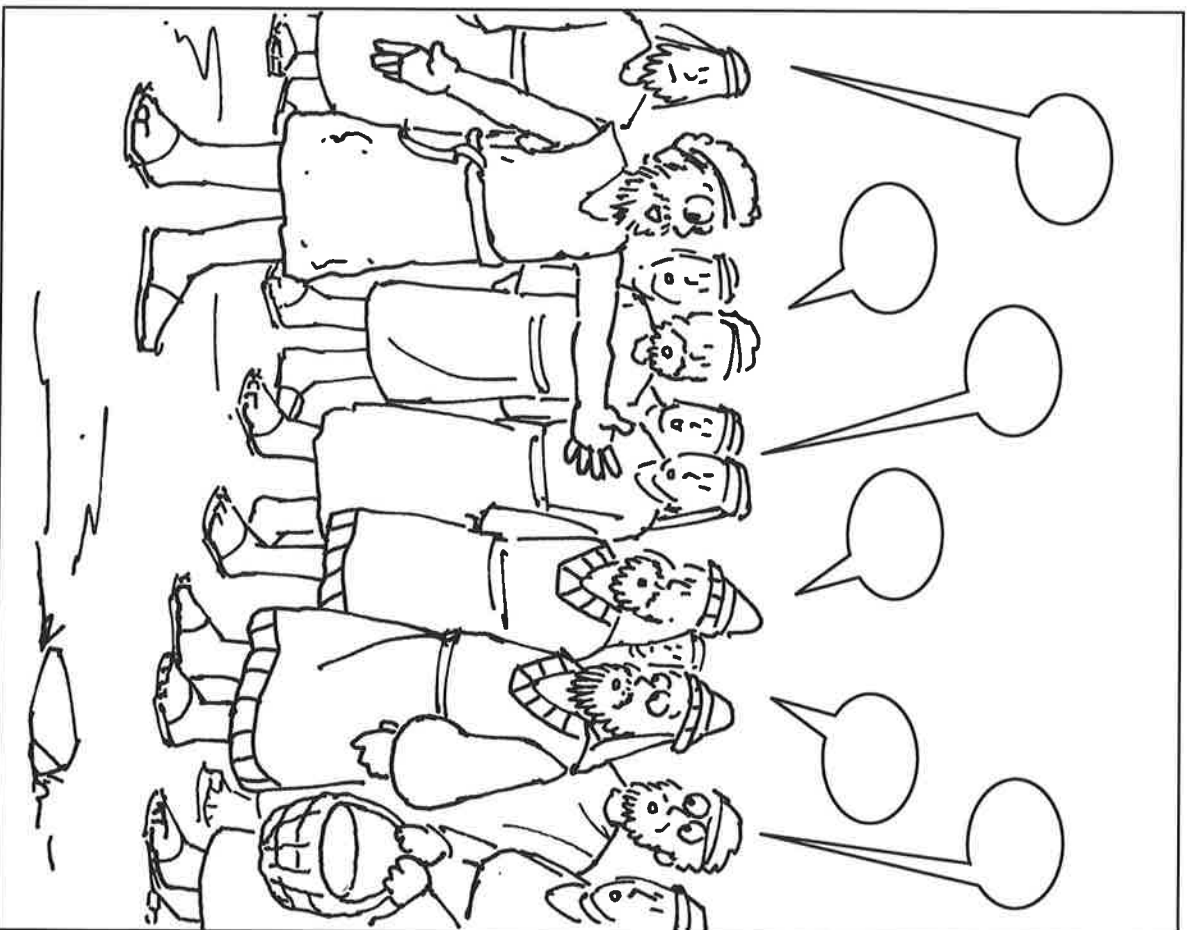


People asked John if he was
Elijah or a prophet.

Draw a ? inside the



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The Pharisees questioned John, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ?" How did John answer?



Write the letter that is in the first word but not the second. Then fill in the blanks.

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2. meal - alm = _____ 10. team - met = _____
3. told - old = _____ 11. zone - one = _____
4. trash - star = _____ 12. waste - seat = _____
5. moose - some = _____ 13. dune - den = _____
6. beat - tea = _____ 14. main - aim = _____
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8. time - met = _____ 16. meager - eager = _____

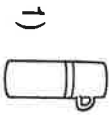
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Make Straight the Way of the Lord

This Scripture is about a man who came as a witness. Find out about him.

Name each picture. Write all the letters of each word in order on the blanks at the bottom.



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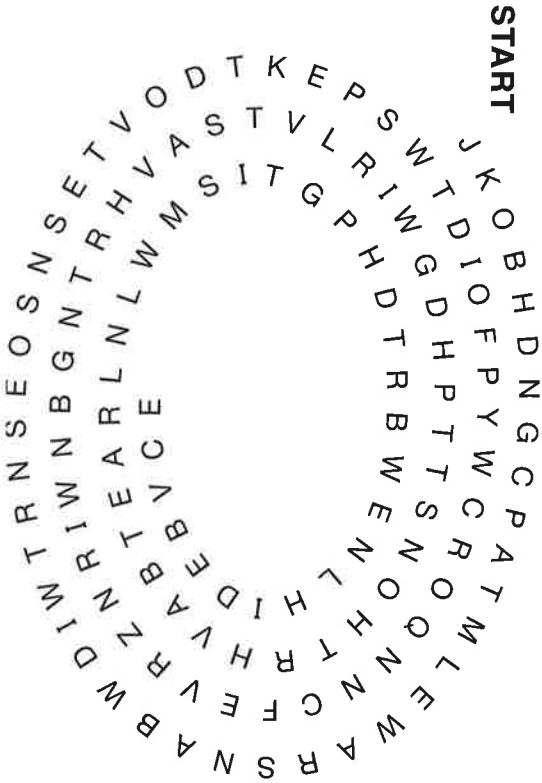


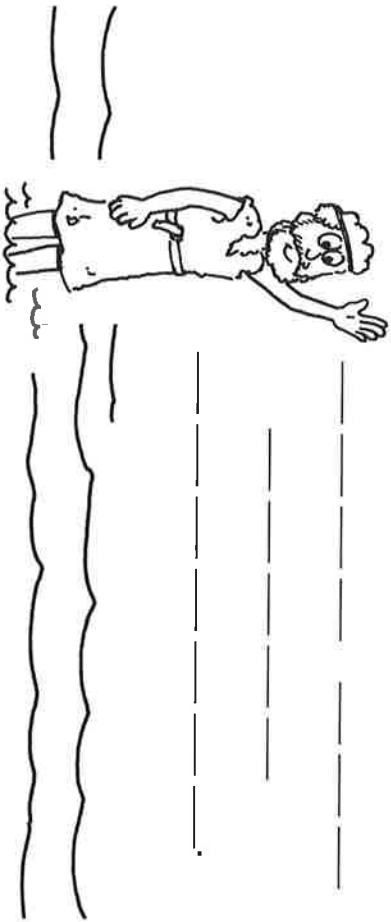
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Read more about this man.

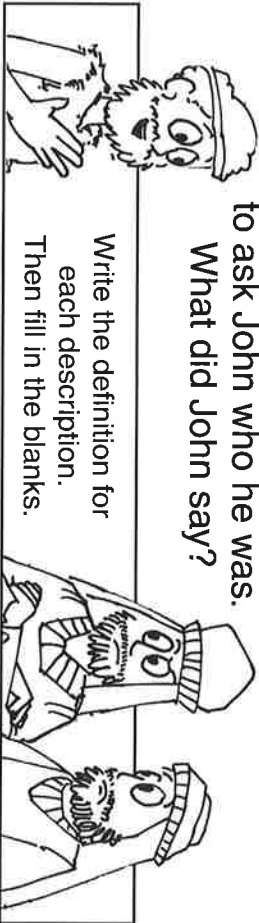
Starting with the second letter, cross out every other letter and write the remaining letters on the lines below.





The Jews of Jerusalem sent priests and Levites

to ask John who he was.
What did John say?



Write the definition for each description. Then fill in the blanks.

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a guide to places

5 9 _____

sound a storm makes

17 3 _____ 14

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the area around the house

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John replied, “

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17 3 18 11 18 10 18 14 17

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