

PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

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NEWSLETTER 12th September, 2021 Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year (B)

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MASS TIMES: Sunday 9.30 a.m. & 11.00 a.m. - currently by advanced reservation only
Weekdays (Tuesday – Friday) 10.00 a.m. – no need to book

Confessions: On request.

COVID safeguarding restrictions remain in place for the time being, namely, social distancing within the church and the wearing of masks.

Fr Andrew has written to say that he is most grateful for all the kind wishes and generous parting offering.

Prayer Corner: Please remember all the sick and housebound of our parish especially: Patricia Kowalewska, Win Sheridan, Kathleen Wood, Peter Henry, Phillip Rockford, Germain McAulay, Geoffrey Dixon, Joe Bonnici, and Marjorie Lee.

Liturgical Calendar

To request mass intentions, please email or phone the Parish Office or leave an envelope at the church.

Sunday 12 th September	Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year (B)	People of the Parish
Monday 13 th	St John Chrysostom	-
Tuesday 14 th	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	-
Wednesday 15 th	Our Lady of Sorrows	-
Thursday 16 th	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian	-
Friday 17 th	of the day (24 th week)	-
Saturday 18 th	of the day (24 th week)	-
Sunday 19 th	Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year (B)	People of the Parish

Mass times and church opening:

Sunday mass is at 9.30 & 11.00 a.m. by advanced reservation only.

Weekday mass (Tuesday – Friday) is at 10.00 a.m. No need to book. There is generally good capacity on all days.

For all masses **please be punctual**. The doors will be closed five minutes before mass starts and it will not be possible to admit latecomers.

Please be advised that the Sunday obligation remains suspended and so, for some, it might be beneficial to attend during the week.

On Sundays, the church will remain open after the 9.30 mass until 10.30 for those who may wish to make short individual visits but will then be closed for cleaning before the 11.00 a.m. mass. During the week, the church will remain open after the 10.00 a.m. mass until 11.00 a.m.

Please note: There will be no access to the Hall, the lift or to the toilets.

How to make a reservation to attend a Sunday mass:

You can request a reservation by one of the following methods (in order of preference):-

- 1) Send an email to oliadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
- 2) Leave a clear message on the parish office phone **01202 760640**
- 3) In writing, and placed in the letter box by the church door, or by post to Our Lady Immaculate, Seamoor Road, Westbourne, BH4 9AE

When making a booking, please give the following details and you will be contacted by phone or email to let you know which mass you can be offered:-

Name(s)

Phone number or email address:

Number of seats required:

Which Sunday mass you would prefer: 9.30, or 11.00, or either.

Would you like to be added to the ongoing Sunday rota? Yes/No

Finance. A 'Thank you' to those who are using the 'Donate' button on the website. The 'Donate' button has the facility of adding a reference in the 'leave a message' box and also the option to Gift Aid any donation. Any donation with no specific reference will be treated as ordinary offertory. The parish's bank details are set out below for those who may wish to take out a standing order or make a bank transfer.

Account Name: PRCDTR Bournemouth Our Lady Immaculate

Sort Code: 30-93-04

Account Number: 00875075

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT

Look upon us, O God,
Creator and ruler of all things,
and, that we may feel the working of your
mercy,
grant that we may serve you with all our heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:5-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone
start proceedings against me?

Then let us go to court together.
Who thinks he has a case against me?
Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 114

Response:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living
or
Alleluia!

- I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. (R.)
- They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! (R.)
- How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. (R.)
- He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. (R.)

SECOND READING

James 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of St James.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, "I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty," without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: "You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;
no one can come to the Father except through me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, "Who do people say I am?" And they told him. "John the Baptist," they said, "others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets." "But you," he asked "who do you say I am?" Peter spoke up and said to him, "You are the Christ." And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, "Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's."

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with
the Father;

through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(all bow during the next three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

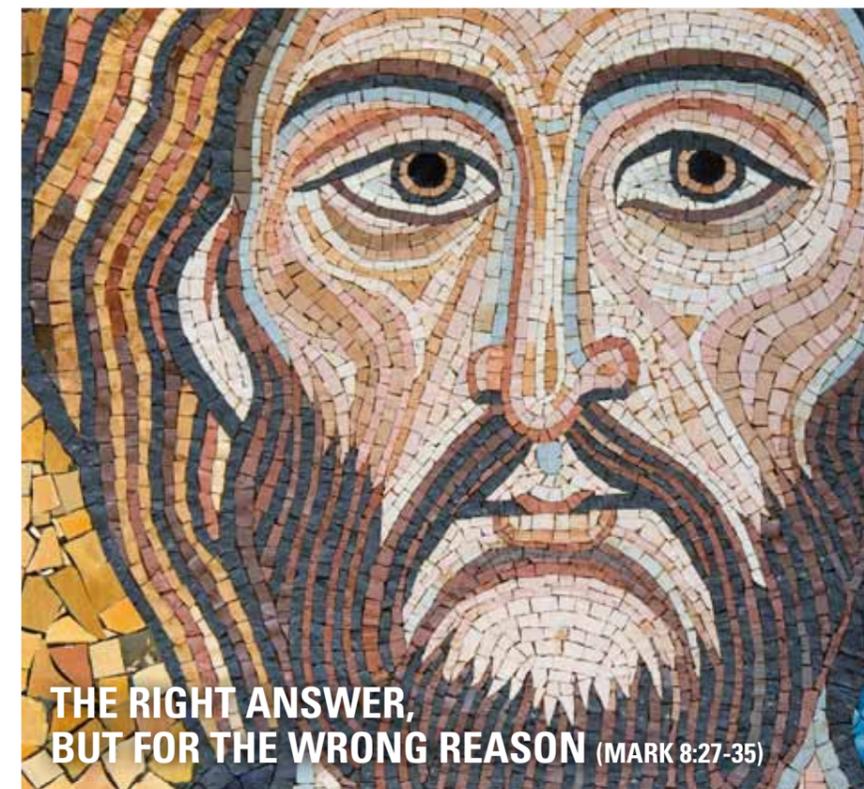
Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord,
and in your kindness accept these, your
servants' offerings,
that what each has offered to the honour of
your name
may serve the salvation of all.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the
shadow of your wings.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord,
we pray,
take possession of our minds and bodies,
so that its effects, and not our own desires,
may always prevail in us.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE WORD

The incident at Caesarea Philippi is the turning point in Mark's narrative. The city is at the most northerly point of Israel, and from there Jesus and his disciples will make the journey to Jerusalem.

It is also the point at which Jesus will begin to speak clearly about the suffering and death which await him there. So, he asks his followers the question which runs through the Gospel of Mark, "Who do people say I am?" Peter, the spokesperson for the group, gives the correct answer, "You are the Christ" (or "the Messiah"). This is the first time a human being has used the title about Jesus, and Jesus imposes the strict order to keep silence once more.

But Jesus does not openly accept Peter's declaration: on a human level (and Mark gives no indication of divine revelation, unlike Matthew), Peter may have concluded that Jesus is the Christ/Messiah on the evidence of Jesus' works of power ("miracles"), so he has come to the correct answer for the wrong reason. To attract a following on the basis of being identified as the Messiah would also possibly bring danger from the political and military authorities. So on different levels, Jesus' command to silence makes sense, and then he goes on to explain what being God's Messiah will mean: being rejected, suffering, put to death and raised, a suffering Messiah, which was not what the Jewish people were expecting. Jesus rebukes Peter severely for trying to deflect him from this path. ■

LEARN

Caesarea Philippi is a city at the northernmost tip of the land of Israel.

Christ and Messiah mean the same thing: "anointed".

Christ is the Greek term; Messiah is the Hebrew form.

REFLECT

All through Mark's narrative up to this point, a question about Jesus has kept recurring in various forms: "Who is this...?" This is not simply part of the historical story: it is addressed to each one of us. We may well have a great deal of sympathy with Peter's reaction on hearing what was in store for his master and friend, and Jesus' teaching is directed to ourselves as well. It can be difficult to see how Jesus' passion and crucifixion could be part of God's plan without turning God into a tyrant who can only be appeased by a human sacrifice – and of God's own Son, at that. Perhaps it might help us to remember that the Gospels are written in the light of the resurrection and after reflecting on passages in the Prophets and Psalms which make sense of Jesus' experience. Thus, the passion and Calvary are not predetermined: the elders, chief priests and scribes – and Pilate – have free will. What brings about the tragedy is human malice, not the divine will. The cross is the sign of Jesus' dedication to his mission and of the extent to which God is prepared to go in reaching out to human beings. It may seem like avoiding the question to say that all this is a mystery: a mystery is simply something that we will never fully comprehend, but must keep on trying to understand; that is what being a disciple (student) is all about. ■

SAY

Who do I think the Son of Man is?

DO

Put some olive or vegetable oil on your hand, or observe it when you use it in the kitchen: think about how Jesus is the Christ, Messiah, the Anointed One of God. Reflect on what this means to you.

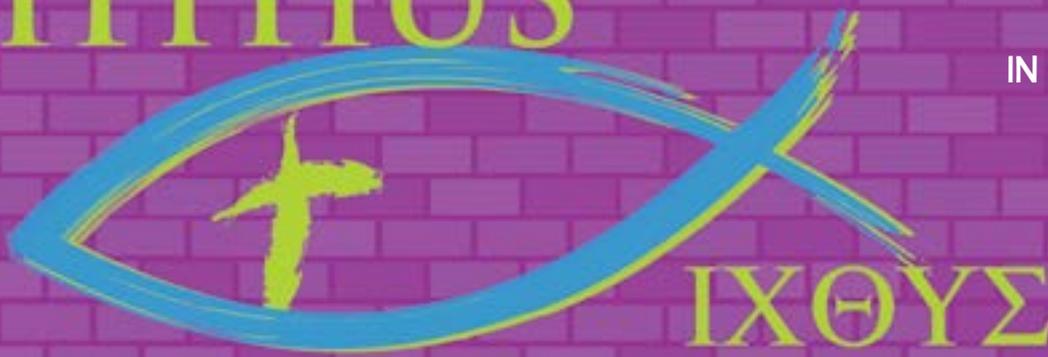


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SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2021

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Year B



Ask Jesus to help you to get to know him even better today.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

We say these words or sing a hymn as the priest approaches the altar.

COLLECT

Look upon us, O God,
Creator and ruler of all things,
and, that we may feel the working of your mercy,
grant that we may serve you with all our heart...

We ask for God's help. Listen now to the priest as he offers this prayer.



FIRST READING ISAIAH 50:5-9

It is not clear if this mysterious suffering servant is an actual person or an ideal faithful servant who represents all of God's people. Although innocent, he is mistreated and insulted. Yet the suffering servant does not despair

and give up. He does not retaliate and fight back. He trusts in God and waits. All through his unfair treatment the suffering servant is confident that God is with him and will rescue him. And we can enjoy that same hope in God.

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. The suffering servant knows that God is on his side and is coming to help.

The cantor or psalmist sings or says the psalm. Listen to the verses, and then respond by using these words.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 114

I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.

Or Alleluia!

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. Faith without good works is dead.



SECOND READING JAMES 2:14-18

It is just not possible to say we believe in God, but do nothing to help the people around us. It is no use saying that we wish people had enough to eat and warm clothes to wear, but then do

nothing to provide food and clothes for people in need. James even goes as far as saying that faith without good deeds is useless. If we say we believe in God, we must put our faith into action.



We give a shout of praise to God, using these words taken from the Bible.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;
no one can come to the Father except through me.
Alleluia!



DO YOU KNOW?

Today in England and Wales the Church is celebrating **Education Day**. Sometimes we really wish we didn't have to go to school... but today we thank God for our education! We remember that we are really **blessed to be able to learn** and that we have caring teachers, warm schools, books to read and to write in and friends who help us get **involved in school life**.



THINK

Jesus can always **surprise us**. Every time we hear a story about Jesus we can **grow in our understanding** of who he is. Jesus can help us to **learn more about ourselves** as we learn more about him too.



GOSPEL MARK 8:27-35

The Good News about Jesus is told to us by St Mark.

Jesus needs some feedback. What are people saying about him? What do his friends understand about who he is? It seems that the local people know that Jesus is a prophet, bringing us God's message. Peter has the deeper understanding that Jesus is the Messiah.

But Peter's idea of the promised Messiah is not Jesus' idea of leadership. God's ways are not our ways. Jesus is going have to suffer and die. If we follow Jesus, we will also have to give things up. However, we know that, just as Jesus rose from the dead, we too will have new life.

STAND to LISTEN

to the priest or deacon as he prepares to read the Gospel. What does the priest or deacon do to the book when he has finished reading the Gospel?



PRAY

Take a moment to be quiet with Jesus. Hear him saying to you "Who do you say I am?" How will you respond? Give yourself time to have a conversation with Jesus in your heart.



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Dear Lord, please help us to value our education and make the most of the opportunities we are given. Help us to appreciate all the people who keep our schools running, enabling us to learn. Lord, hear my prayer.

Listen to the reader as he or she encourages us to pray for situations and people in need. This is a prayer you could say privately.



OFFERTORY PROCESSION

As we take our gifts of bread, wine and money to the altar, think about a time this week when you were thoughtless and then think about another time when you showed your care for someone with a kind deed.

Say a little prayer offering these thoughts up to God.

Watch as the gifts are made ready and the priest washes his hands and prepares for the Eucharistic Prayer.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Today's special prayer thanks God for fulfilling all God's promises to us.

What can you give special thanks for today?

We listen to the prayer of praise and thanks to God.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As the priest extends his hands, we say the prayer that Jesus taught us.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

You are invited to sing a Communion song or say this verse, which has been especially chosen for today's celebration.



MY PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, Jesus, for showing me a different way to live. Thank you for putting your love for me into action and for always being there for me. Amen.



ΙΧΘΥΣ

is the Greek word for "fish" and was used in the catacombs as a sign for early Christians. It is made up from the first letter of five Greek titles for the Lord:

I (Jesus)
X (Christos)
Θ (Theou/God's)
Υ (Uios/Son)
Σ (Soter/Saviour)

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We take Jesus with us to carry on the work that he did on earth, until we meet again next Sunday.

Go in peace.





Sunday 12 September 2021
 Mark 8:27-35
 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

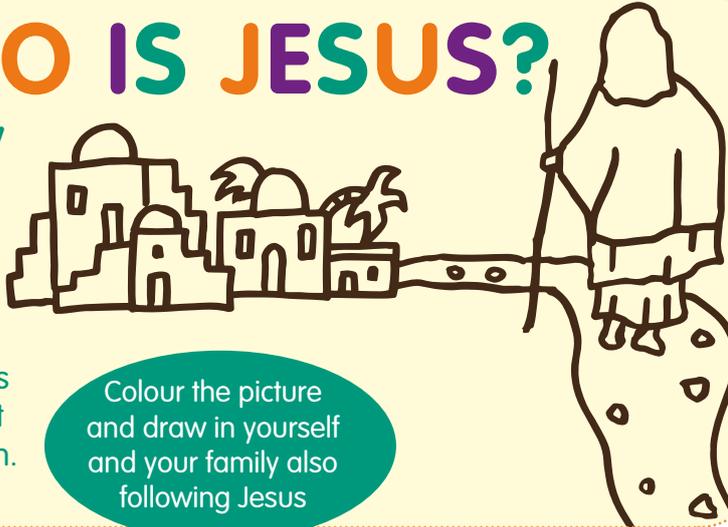
My name is _____

Jesus asks his friends, "who do you say I am?". Peter knows that Jesus has been sent by God, but doesn't understand yet just what that means. Jesus has come to show us how to put other people first. It may be a difficult journey but Jesus will lead his friends to new life and happiness.

WHO IS JESUS?

Follow God!

Jesus has gone on ahead on the road. His friends want to follow him.

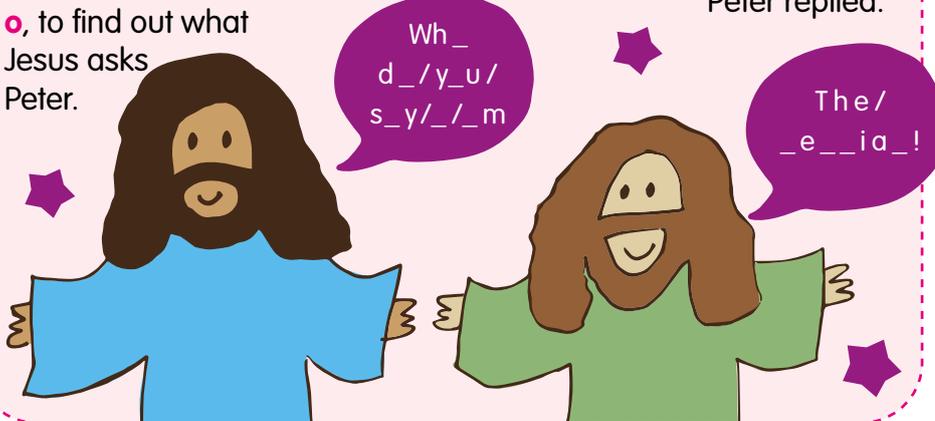


Colour the picture and draw in yourself and your family also following Jesus

Who says what?

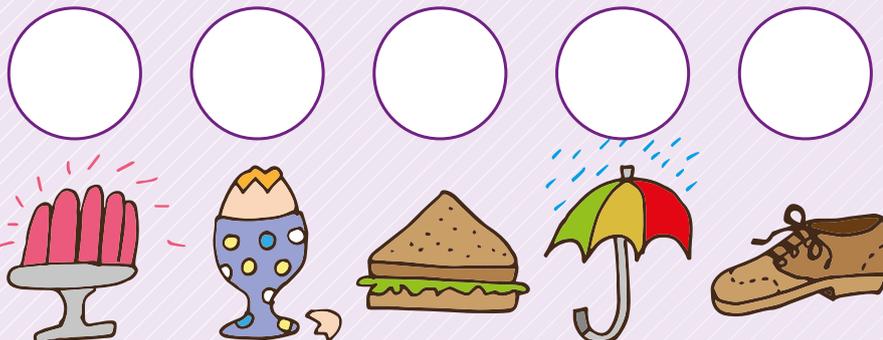
Add the vowels **a** or **o**, to find out what Jesus asks Peter.

Add the consonants, **m**, **s** or **h** to find out what Peter replied.



Who am I?

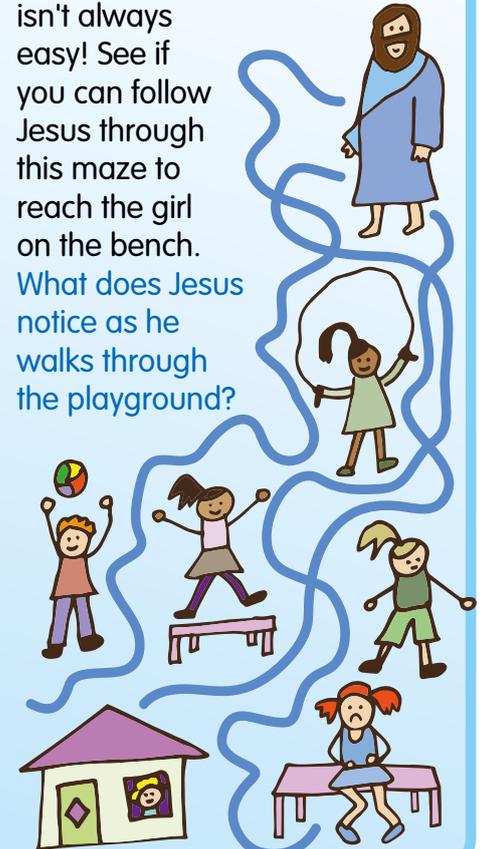
Write in each circle the first letter of the word describing the object. You will find the name of someone very special.



Following Jesus isn't always easy! See if you can follow Jesus through this maze to reach the girl on the bench.

Maze

What does Jesus notice as he walks through the playground?



A PRAYER TO SAY

Jesus, I believe you are the Christ, sent to save us. Help me to follow your example and put other people first, even when it is hard. Help me to spread your love and life all around me. Amen.

"Who do you say I am?", "The Messiah!". Jesus.