

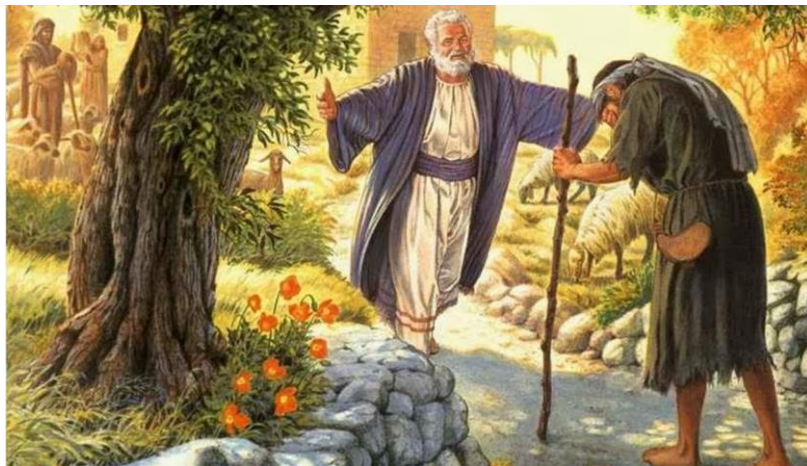
CATECHESIS@HOME 2022 #7

"HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND"

(4TH Sunday of Lent)



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INTRODUCTION

This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting and discussing about the scripture readings of the 4th Sunday of Lent. As we have just celebrated the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on 25th March, it is a good time to reflect on our relationship with God and with others around us.

HOW TO USE THE MATERIAL

This document contains activities that members of the family may complete individually (just the children), in pairs (with parental assistance), or as an entire family. It would be helpful to print a hard-copy, so that members of your family may carry out different activities at the same time.

WHEN TO USE THE MATERIAL

During the week after the family has celebrated the Mass of 4th Sunday of Lent.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of each one gathered here in your presence today. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for bringing us the gift of life and faith. Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Peace, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read **Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32**. Then, as a family reflect on the questions given below and share your responses with one another. If necessary, parents are encouraged to rephrase the information and questions according to their children's level of understanding.

Time of reflection and response:

When they saw the tax collectors and sinners going to Jesus, the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

Then Jesus told them the parable of the prodigal son.

What happens when I choose to do what I like instead of doing what God wants?

How do I respond when I experience hardships and difficulties in my life?

What do I do when I realize that I have done something bad?

What is my attitude towards those who have done something that is not good or that I do not like?

How does God want me to treat these people?

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that God our Father loves us very much and will always forgive us for the bad things we do when we turn back to Him. He also wants us to be kind to each other, because we are all the children He loves.

We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, so that we can learn to love and forgive each other as God our Father loves and forgives us.

Say together as a family:

"Lord Jesus, you came down from heaven that we might have life in your name. You ask us to believe and to put our hope in you. We know that you love us and watch over us always. May we continue to grow in our faith and follow you, especially in times of trouble."

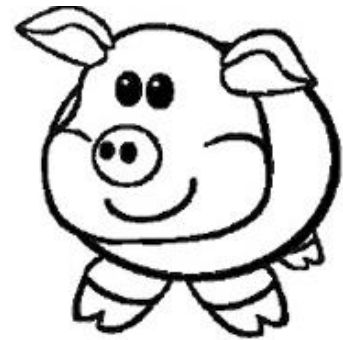
FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Gospel passage and the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. Select the activities you would like to complete with your children, or try to complete them all if you can!

Activity #1: Find the Words.

The Parable of the Lost Son

Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. Luke 15:23-24 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on Luke 15:11-32 (NIV).

H I R E D N D M Y E S T A T E
C W Y Y E X W R E W N M G I O
Q O H B E O T E G E E B Q D H
F T M J N N P M P Q T A B A F
S A S P U O T S Y N C F L P W
T T T O A S D T L Z A Z G T R
A O C H O S R T W P I G S G H
R I O L E E S C F E O M N F N
V M E K P R A I O P F I E E X
I K S O S I X O O D R R K A F
N Q R O K R E G D N F E T S O
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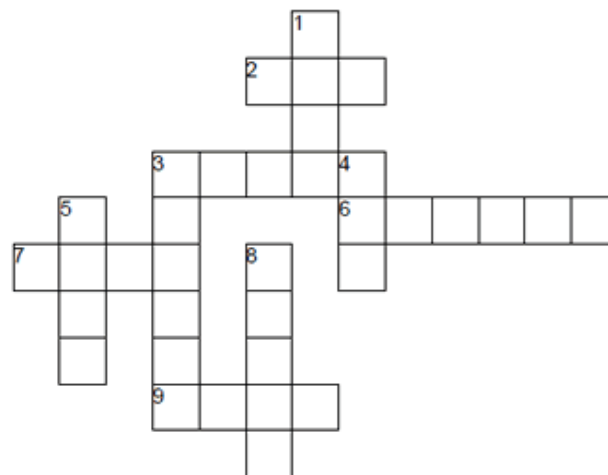
WEALTH	ESTATE	COUNTRY	PIGS	FOOD
COMPASSION	HIRED	FOUND	FEED	RING
CELEBRATE	STARVING	PROPERTY	FEAST	SONS
KISSED	FATHER	STOMACH	SPENT	LOST

Activity #2: Solve the Puzzle

The Parable of the Lost Son

So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him. Luke 15:20 (NLT)

The puzzle is based on Luke 15:11-32



ACROSS

2. Farm animals with pink, brown, or black skin, short legs, and a flat nose.
3. A large special meal to celebrate something or honor someone.
6. A large amount of money and other valuable possessions.
7. To not be able to be found. (I ____ my dog.)
9. A piece of jewelry, generally made of precious metal and worn on the finger.

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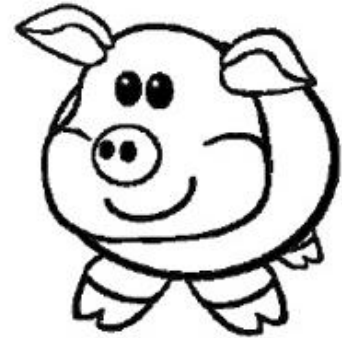
1. To touch or press your lips against another person as a greeting or to express love.
3. A male parent.
4. The number that is equal to one plus one.
5. Your male children.
8. When something which was lost has been relocated. (I ____ my dog).

TWO	KISS	RING	WEALTH	FATHER
FEAST	FOUND	LOST	PIG	SONS

Activity #3: Fill in the Words

The Parable of the Lost Son

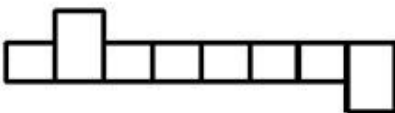
'Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. Luke 15:23-24 (NIV)




Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.

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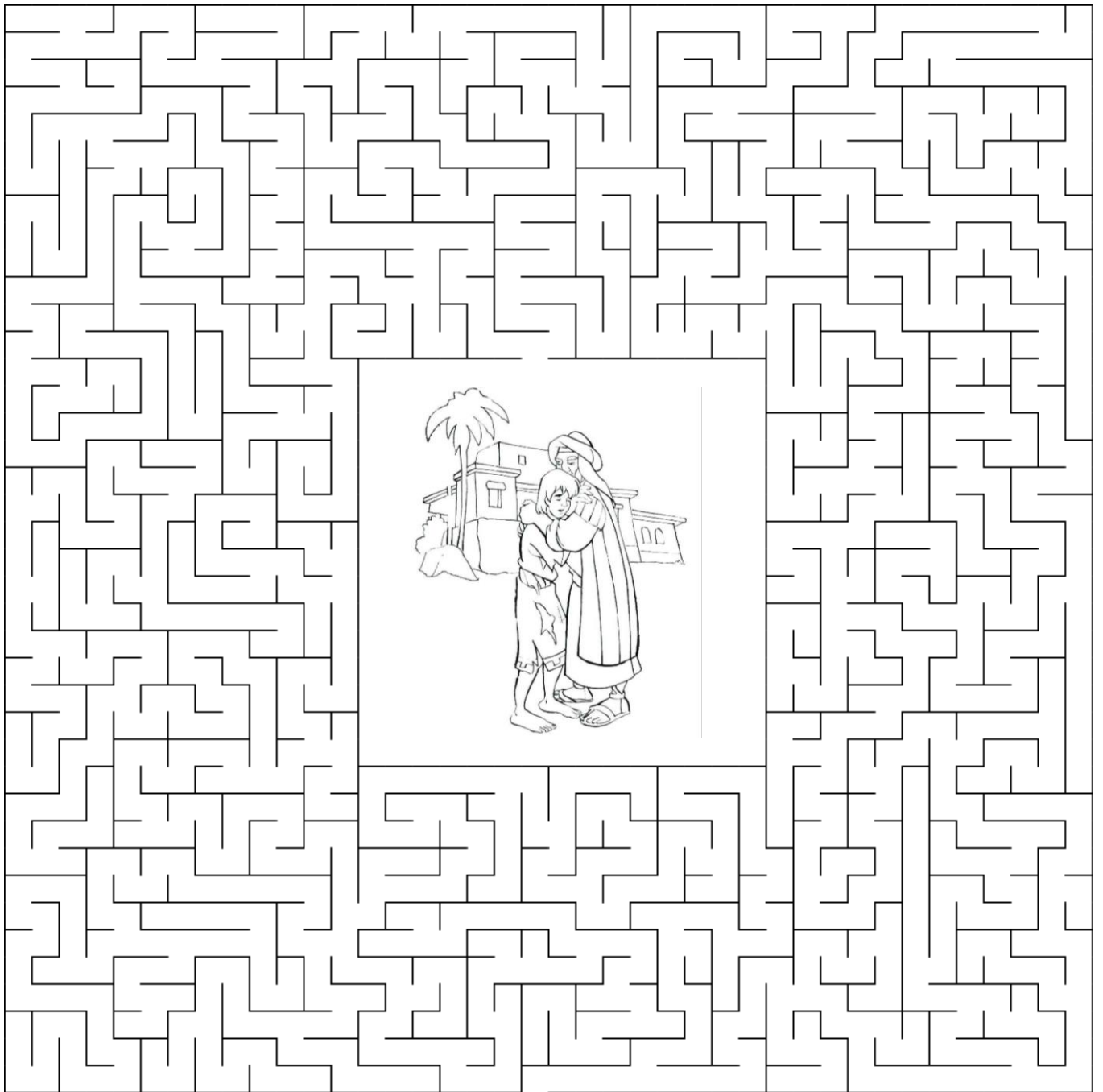
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4. 

8. 

father	wealth	pigs	lost
sons	starving	kissed	found

Activity #4: Help the young man go back to his father.



Activity #5: Break the Code

The Prodigal Son

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
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N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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Activity #6: Unscramble the Message.

Unscramble the words in the boxes. Complete the sentence using the letters in the numbered boxes to find out what the prodigal son said to his father.

AIMNEF
25 20 21 5

UGHRNE
8 32 14 18 16 36

SIPG
13 28 12

ERASVNT
29 24 37 10 2 27 23

TREFHA
9 30 4 35 40

BERO
6 31 38 11

NRGI
7 15 34

ACLF
39 17 33 1

ETSFA
26 19 22 3



CALF	FATHER	FEAST	FAMINE
PIGS	RING	HUNGER	ROBE
SERVANT			

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Activity #7: Fill in the blanks to find out what happened at the celebration.

Now the _____ son was out in the _____, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and _____. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your _____ has come" replied the servant "and your _____ has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was _____ then and refused to go in, and his father came out to _____ with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have _____ for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my _____. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your _____ - he and his women- you kill the _____ we had been fattening." The father said, "My _____, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should _____ and rejoice, because your brother here was _____ and has come to life; he was lost and is _____."

elder	fields	dancing	brother
father	angry	plead	slaved
friends	property	calf	son
celebrate	dead	found	love

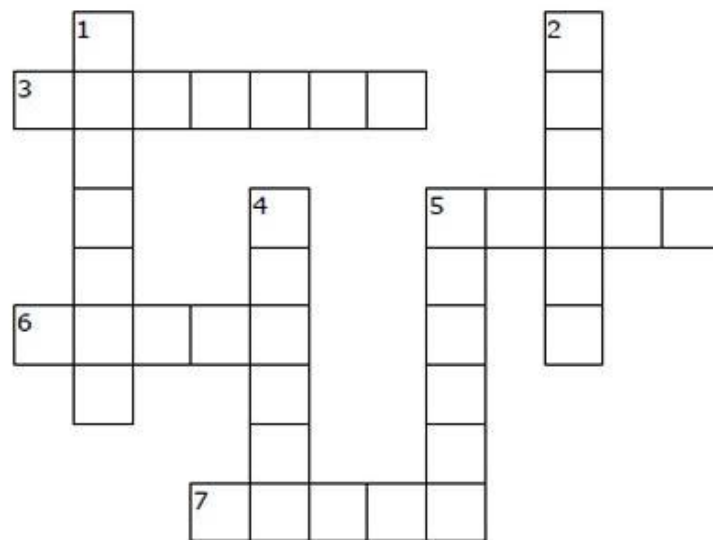


Activity #8: Solve the Puzzle

An Angel Visits Mary

You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. Luke 1:31 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Luke 1:26-38



ACROSS

3. To be joined together as husband and wife
5. A heavenly being; a messenger for God
6. The son who was born to Mary
7. A very young person especially between infancy and youth

DOWN

1. The name of the angel who appeared to Mary
2. A young unmarried woman; a maiden
4. The man to whom Mary was engaged to marry
5. To be filled with fear

JOSEPH
GABRIEL

MARRIED
CHILD

AFRAID
ANGEL

VIRGIN
JESUS

Activity #9: Break the Code.

An Angel Visits Mary

You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.
Luke 1:31 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



E	O	U	N	X	B	F	R	Z	T	L	H	Q	V	D	J	S	A	K	I	C	Y	P	W	G	M
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 18-4-25-1-11 _____
- 25-18-6-8-20-1-11 _____
- 14-20-8-25-20-4 _____
- 16-2-17-1-23-12 _____
- 26-18-8-22 _____
- 18-7-8-18-20-15 _____
- 6-20-8-10-12 _____
- 17-2-4 _____
- 16-1-17-3-17 _____
- 6-2-8-4 _____

GABRIEL	SON	MARY	BORN	VIRGIN
AFRAID	JOSEPH	ANGEL	BIRTH	JESUS

Activity #10: Colouring Page

The Parable of the Prodigal Son



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