

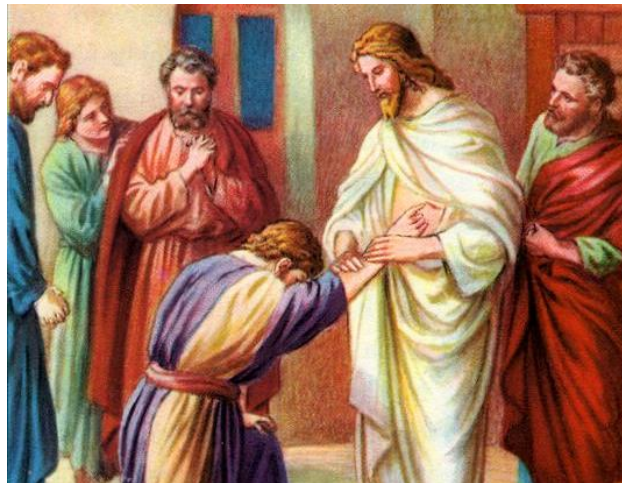
# CATECHESIS@HOME 2022 #10

"DOUBT NO LONGER BUT BELIEVE"

(2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER)



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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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter. It is also Divine Mercy Sunday, and we specially pray to God for mercy and forgiveness of our sins today.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter.

## OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of each one gathered here today. We ask for your mercy and forgiveness, especially for the times we have doubted You. Please help us to grow in faith and love for You. Holy Spirit, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



## **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

Invite someone to read **John 20:19-31**. 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:

The doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you.', and showed them his hands and his side. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

*In times of fear and uncertainty, what is my response?  
How can I receive the peace of Jesus in these times?*

Thomas, one of the Twelve, was not with them. When the disciples told him about Jesus, he refused to believe. Eight days later, Jesus appeared to them again and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!'

*Why did Thomas refuse to believe the other disciples?  
What might cause me to doubt God's love and power in my life?*

Jesus said to him, 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

*What can I do today to increase my faith and trust in God?*

From the reading this week, we can see that it is not easy to believe in Jesus, especially in times of great fear and uncertainty. However, Jesus is truly risen, and he comes into the closed doors of our hearts, wishing us peace and asking us to believe in him. We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and for the grace to believe even when we cannot see.

*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."

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## FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Gospel passage and the feast of the Divine Mercy. 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.

## Believe It or Not!

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." John 20:25

Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)



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T L L U V E D A E T N E E D M  
T K E S H E H I R C I N S D S  
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T S I U J J S A S R S P F E Z  
H N T F E K D P I A M I L B D  
E T W U S N K D D U L G E E E  
R S R N U K P S E S L V H N S  
R P T V S V D O U B T I N G B

JESUS  
MIRACLES  
DOORS  
TOUCHED

TOGETHER  
SIGNS  
LIFE  
THOMAS

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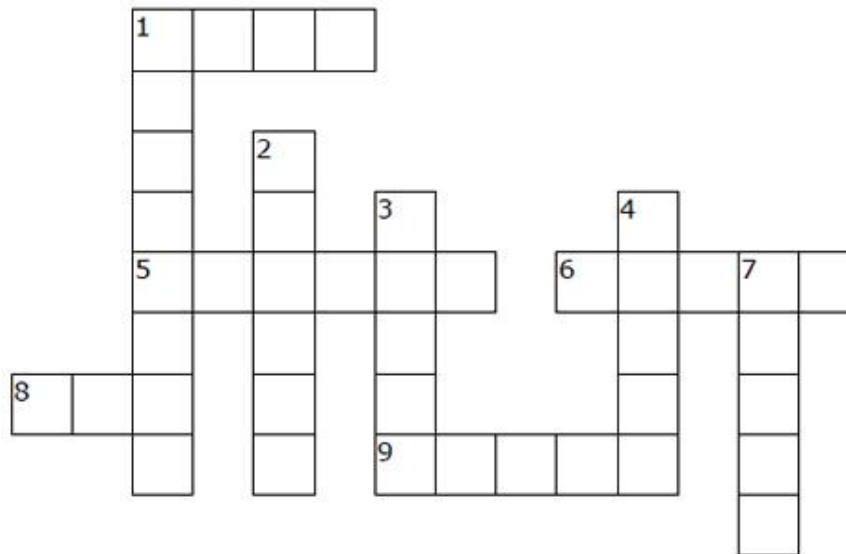
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BELIEVED  
DISCIPLES  
LOCKED

## Activity #2: Solve the Puzzle

# Don't Miss Church!

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:19 (NIV)

Based on John 20:19-31



### ACROSS

1. An entrance into a building or room
5. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
6. To be in a state of pleasure or delight
8. Breaking a religious or moral law
9. The body parts at the end of the arms

### DOWN

1. Unwilling to believe that something is true
2. Not open
3. To believe in something for which there is no proof
4. A pointed and headed fastener designed to be pounded into wood
7. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war

NAILS	PEACE	DOOR	DOUBTING	HAPPY
THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	HANDS	FAITH



### Activity #3: Break the Code

## Seeing Is Believing

So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." John 20:25 (NIV)

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

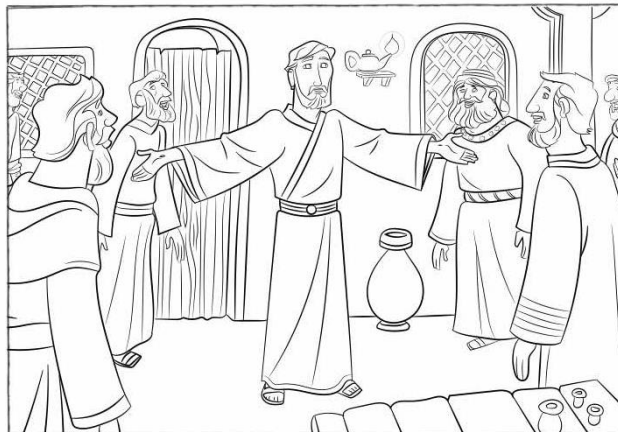
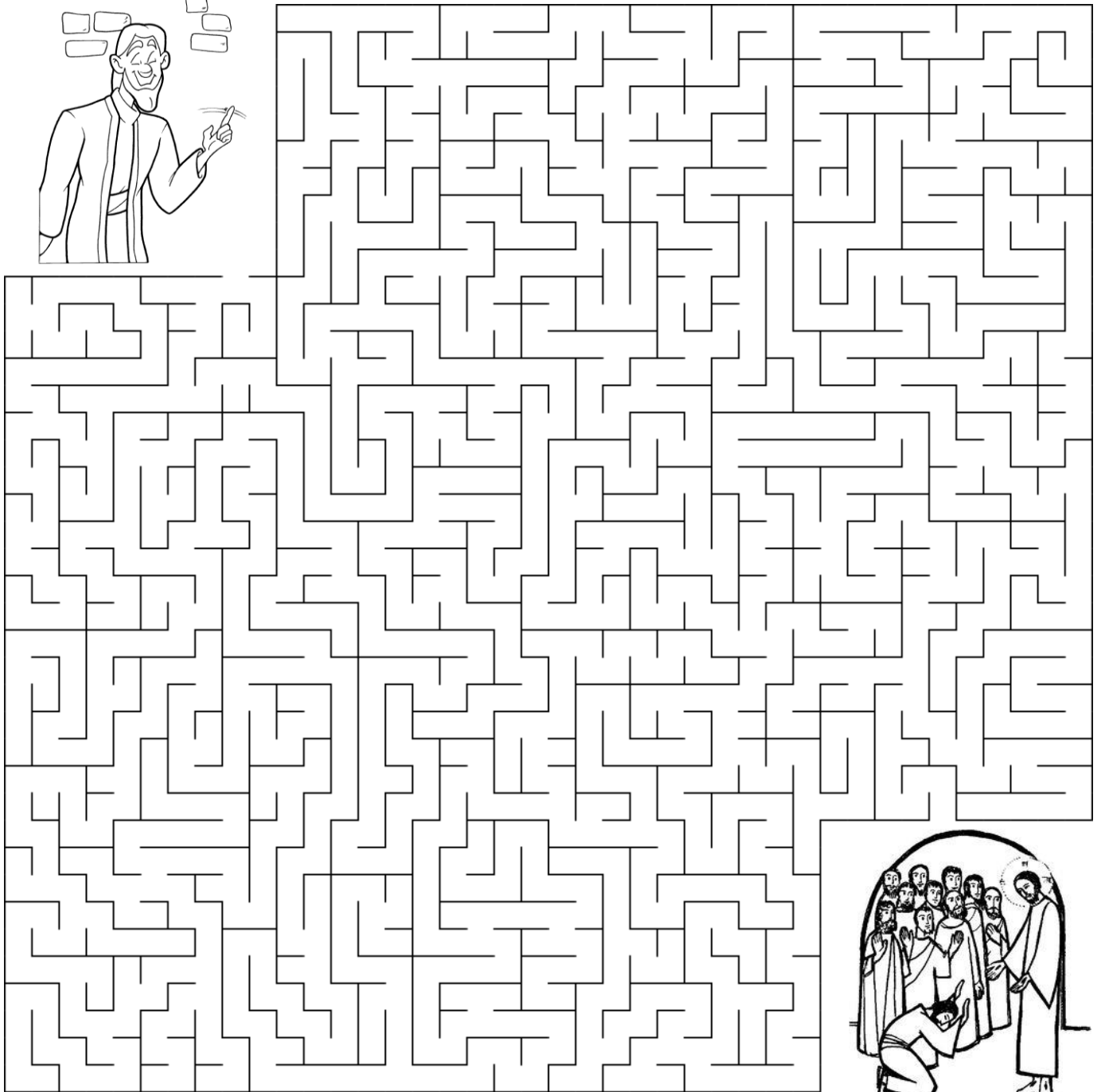


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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 7-2-15-5-2-24-16-25-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-20-20-23-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 16-20-5-1-25-7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 21-3-13-7-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 15-2-7-25 \_\_\_\_\_
- 17-21-20-6-3-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-20-14-9-17-2-13-10 \_\_\_\_\_
- 17-20-14-5-21-25-7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 9-25-16-2-25-26-25-7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-2-15-5-2-24-16-25-15 \_\_\_\_\_

DOUBTING	DISCIPLES	LOCKED	SIDE	DISCIPLES
TOUCHED	HANDS	DOORS	THOMAS	BELIEVED

**Activity #4: Help Thomas find his way to Jesus.**



## Activity #5: Break the Code

### Seeing is Believing?

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
★	○	💧	⚡	⌘	⚡	◀	▩	■	🌀	✕	😊	✳

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### Activity #6: Unscramble the Message.

Unscramble the names of the apostles in the boxes. Complete the sentence using the letters in the numbered boxes to find out Jesus said to his disciples.

RTEEP

1	6	15	21	

AJESM

31		17	29	

ONHJ

	20	34	

AERNWD

	37	35		4		

PPLIIH

		8		36	

MNOIS

23	33	32	30	25

MTAEHWT

	3	26			28		

EJUD

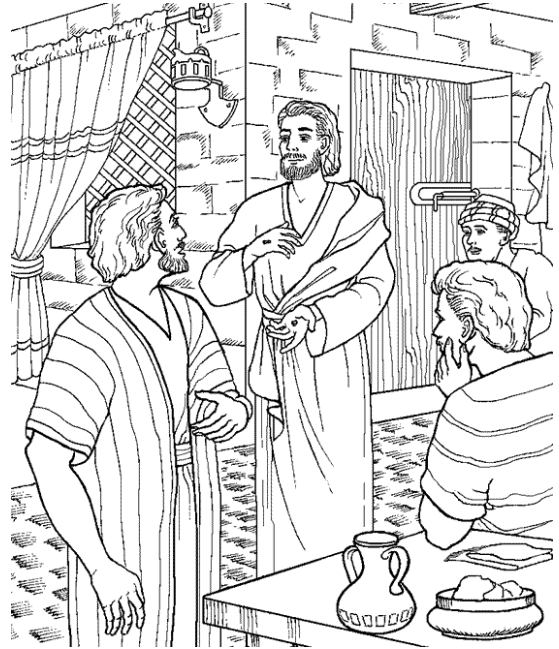
	12	24	

STMHOA

9	10	11	27	13	14

BOHWAOREMLT

5	18	22	19	16	38			2	7		



MATTHEW	JOHN	JUDE
JAMES	ANDREW	PETER
PHILIP	THOMAS	
BARTHOLOMEW		

			C	
1	2	3	4	

5	6

7	8	9	10

Y			.
11	12		

13	14

15	16	17

F					
18	19	20	21	22	

23	24	25	26

		,
27	28	

29	30

31	32

33

						G
23	28	34	35	36	37	

Y			.
38	12		



### Activity #7: Fill in the Blanks

Thomas the \_\_\_\_\_, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other \_\_\_\_\_ told him, "We have seen the \_\_\_\_\_" But he replied, "Until I have seen in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger in the mark of the \_\_\_\_\_ and my hand in his \_\_\_\_\_, I will not believe."

\_\_\_\_\_ days later, the disciples were again inside the house and \_\_\_\_\_ was with them. Although the doors were \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said, "\_\_\_\_\_ be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your \_\_\_\_\_ here and see my hands; stretch out your \_\_\_\_\_, and put it into my side. Do not continue in your unbelief, but \_\_\_\_\_!"

Thomas said, "My Lord and my \_\_\_\_\_!"

nails

Lord

believe

Twin

locked

God

disciples

hand

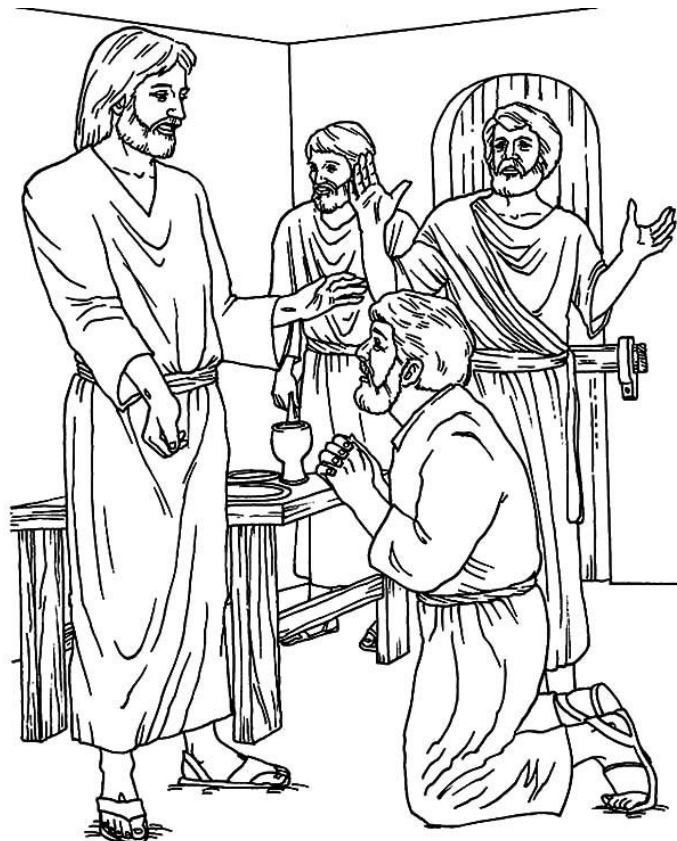
side

Eight

Peace

finger

Thomas



## Activity #8: Find the Words

### Feast of Divine Mercy

P F R E C O N C I L I A T I O N Y K  
F A O C C D I V I N E U M Z Q B O O  
F C S R Y O M A G K T P A B O L D X  
V A D S G P M V T S Z C E N J O U Q  
W R U Q I I K P Q O E I H N T O L R  
A T A S X O V Y A F N T T A A D E Y  
T H R R T M N E Y S Y E E N P N G F  
E T U U Q I E Z N I S O M R U L C U  
R N X C S V N R I E R I X E N N E E  
J G P S W T V A C W S A O M N A K T  
X H U A O S I F X Y O S K N Y T L R  
B B W T R I S A G I O N M X Z S G A

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

ATONEMENT  
BLOOD  
CHAPLET  
COMPASSION  
DIVINE  
ETERNAL

FAUSTINA  
FORGIVENESS  
MERCY  
PASSION  
PENANCE  
RECONCILIATION

TRISAGION  
TRUST  
WATER

## Activity #9: Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet

# Divine Mercy Chaplet

8. Repeat for four more decades, saying "Eternal Father" on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the Sake of His sorrowful Passion" on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

Visit  
TheCatholicKid.com  
for a complete list of  
prayers used in the  
Divine Mercy Chaplet.

9. At the conclusion of the five decades, on the medallion say the "Holy God," the concluding doxology, three times.

10. Say the optional  
Closing Prayer

7. Say 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" on the "Hail Mary" beads.

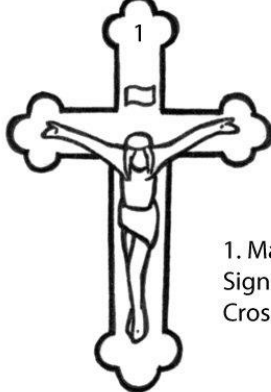
6. Say the "Eternal Father".

4. Say the  
"Hail Mary".

3. Say the  
"Our Father".

2. Say the optional  
opening prayer.

5. Say the "Apostles'  
Creed".



1. Make the  
Sign of the  
Cross.

Activity #10: Colouring Page

