

CATECHESIS@HOME 2022 #32

"THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS"

(Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Universal King)



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INTRODUCTION

Dear parents and guardians. This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting and discussing about the gospel reading of Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. On this Sunday, the Church also celebrates 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we have gathered here in the name of Jesus. Thank you for sending Jesus as my Saviour. May I always be ready to accept him as the King of my life and serve him always. Holy Spirit, guide us during this gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read Luke 23: 35-43. Later, reflect on the questions given together as a family, 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:

On the last Sunday of the Church year, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Universal. It is more commonly known as the Feast of Christ the King. The idea of king and kingdom is at the very heart of Jesus' message to us. He came to inaugurate among us the Kingdom of God.

However, in the gospel, we read that Jesus, our King, is hanging nailed to a cross. On the headboard is the sign, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews". Apart of the terrible physical pain he experiences, Jesus has been stripped of all dignity as he hangs there before a crowd who ridicules and condemns him. Jesus has been sentenced to death although he is innocent and has done nothing wrong. Yet it is by his death on the Cross that Jesus has saved the world. Jesus died because he wants to free us from our sins and grant us the gift of everlasting life.

The Feast of Christ the King reminds us of that Jesus is the King of our lives and that each of us are to profess our obedience to him. We do this not only with our words but by dedicating our lives daily to be faithful to him and to be of service to him. As members of the Body of Christ, we are called to work together to expand the Kingdom of God in our families, Church, society and in the world.

Today, let us honour Christ as the King of the Universe by enthroning Him in our hearts and allowing Him to take control of our lives. This feast also challenges us to see Christ the King in everyone, especially those whom our society considers the least important, and to treat each person with love, mercy and compassion as Jesus did.

- How would you describe your own relationship with Jesus as the King of your life? In what way can you dedicate yourself to him so that you can help built God's kingdom on earth?

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Sunday Gospel. 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

Christ the King

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Luke 23:33 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 23:33-43 (NIV).



CHRIST THE KING

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

PUNISHED	LEFT	CRUCIFIED	DIVIDED	CLOTHES
MOCKED	PARADISE	KING	FATHER	CHOSEN
TRUTH	SKULL	SAVE	CRIMINALS	CHRIST
FEAR	SOLDIERS	RIGHT	FORGIVE	MEMEMBER

Activity #2: Break the code

Christ the King

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Luke 23:33 (NIV)

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



CHRIST THE KING

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

1. 10-17-22-11-13 _____

2. 18-21-19-25 _____

3. 1-17-7-17-13-21-10-11 _____

4. 18-21-19-25-13-14-23 _____

5. 9-7-21-23-21-19-17-5-10 _____

6. 9-24-7-21-10-20 _____

7. 16-14-7-25-21-22-11 _____

8. 9-7-8-9-21-16-21-11-13 _____

FORGIVE	KING	KINGDOM	SAVED
CHRIST	CRIMINALS	CRUCIFIED	PARADISE

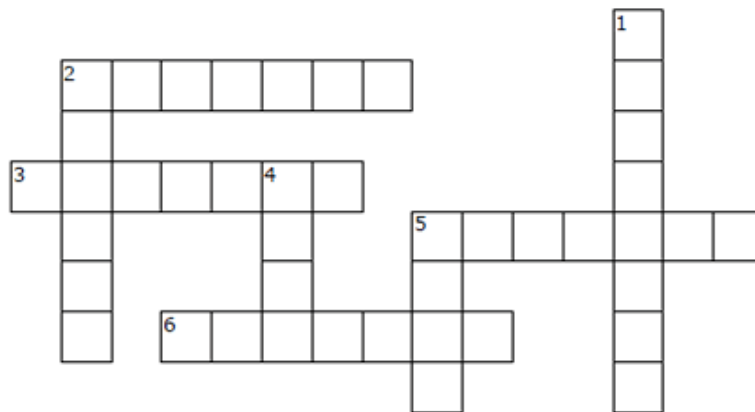
Activity #3: Solve the puzzle

Christ the King

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CHRIST THE KING



ACROSS

2. Things such as dresses and trousers that you wear
3. To kill someone by tying or nailing them to a cross
5. A person who is in an army and wears a uniform
6. To stop blaming, or not punish someone for something they have done


DOWN

1. Someone who commits a crime
2. The Messiah, as foretold by the prophets of the Old Testament
4. The emotion you feel when you are frightened or worried
5. To keep someone from being killed or injured; to rescue

FORGIVE	SAVE	FEAR	CRIMINAL
SOLDIER	CLOTHES	CRUCIFY	CHRIST

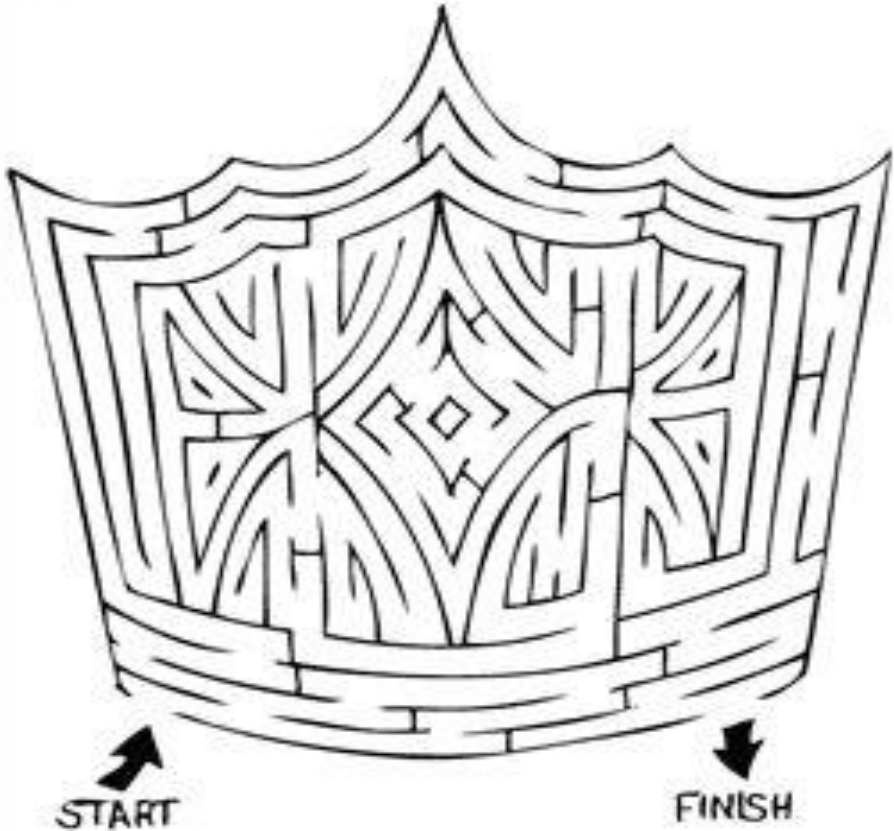
Activity #4: Find the words

S	H	T	U	R	T	N	W	I	N	KING
E	M	W	O	K	I	E	J	I	O	PILATE
I	E	O	N	I	J	T	S	E	T	JEW
R	J	R	D	N	H	S	E	P	F	PRIESTS
P	O	L	I	G	E	I	I	L	E	KINGDOM
B	E	D	U	N	N	L	H	C	I	WORLD
J	W	O	T	B	A	I	I	E	H	FOUGHT
E	F	I	P	T	E	O	K	I	C	BORN
S	W	S	E	L	V	A	T	R	E	WITNESS
E	E	S	T	S	E	I	R	P	S	TRUTH
										LISTEN
										VOICE



Activity #5: Find your way through the crown of the king

BibleWise



START FINISH

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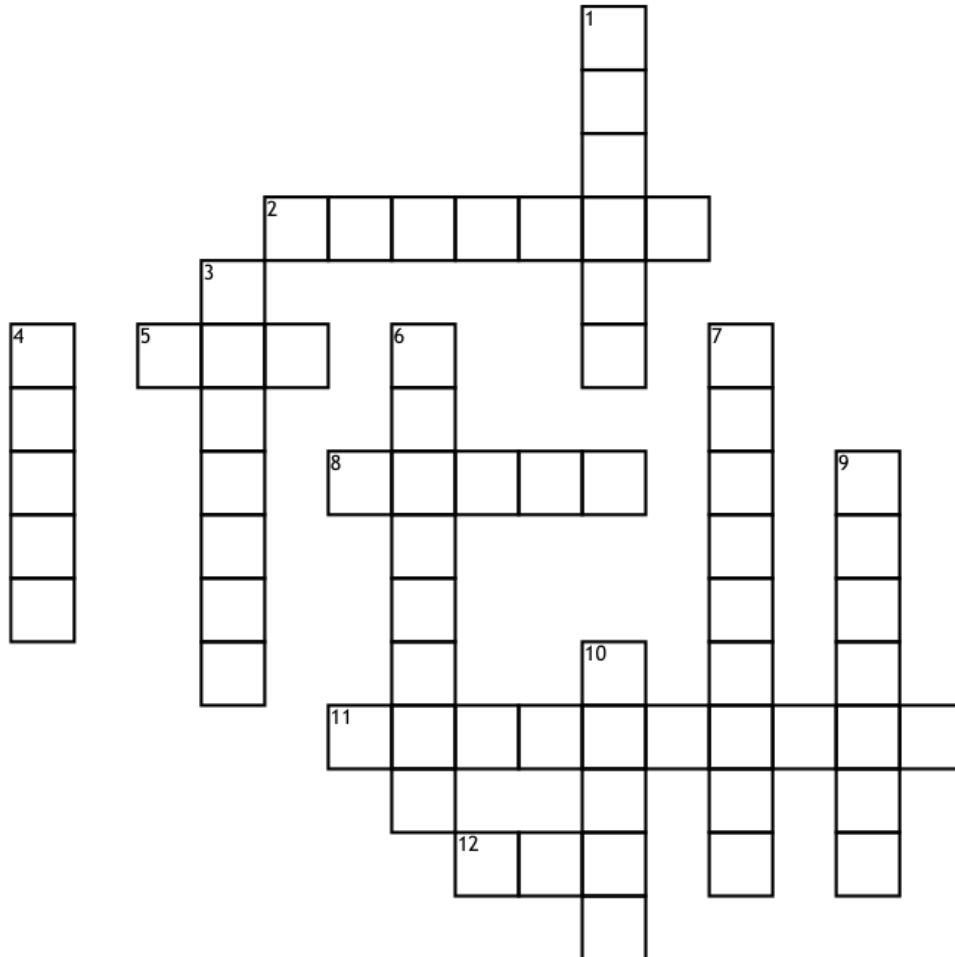
Activity #6: Find the words

K	C	W	C	R	E	V	I	L	E	D	X
I	J	T	O	D	A	Y	R	C	S	I	P
N	K	I	N	G	J	E	R	A	N	C	A
G	E	S	D	E	M	I	M	S	E	R	R
D	C	B	E	E	M	E	C	O	E	I	A
O	Q	R	M	I	N	R	M	L	R	M	D
M	E	B	N	S	I	E	W	D	E	E	I
D	E	A	A	P	S	M	T	I	D	S	S
R	L	V	T	S	E	N	T	E	N	C	E
S	E	I	I	R	U	L	E	R	S	E	P
F	O	A	O	M	J	E	W	S	X	I	T
N	H	K	N	R	E	B	U	K	I	N	G
rulers	sneered	save									
Messiah	soldiers	jeered									
wine	King	Jews									
inscription	criminals	reviled									
rebuking	condemnation	sentence									
crimes	remember	kingdom									
Amen	Paradise	today									

Activity #7: Solve the puzzle

Name: _____ Date: _____

The King of Sacrifice



Across

- 2. Where was Jesus crucified?
- 5. Jesus is the Son of _____.
- 8. Jesus had to carry a _____.
- 11. Jesus was _____ for our sin.
- 12. How many robbers were crucified with Jesus?

Down

- 1. Jesus was given a crown of _____.
- 3. Jesus asked God to _____ the people and us.
- 4. What was put in Jesus hands and feet?
- 6. The crowd voted to release _____ instead of Jesus. He was a prisoner.

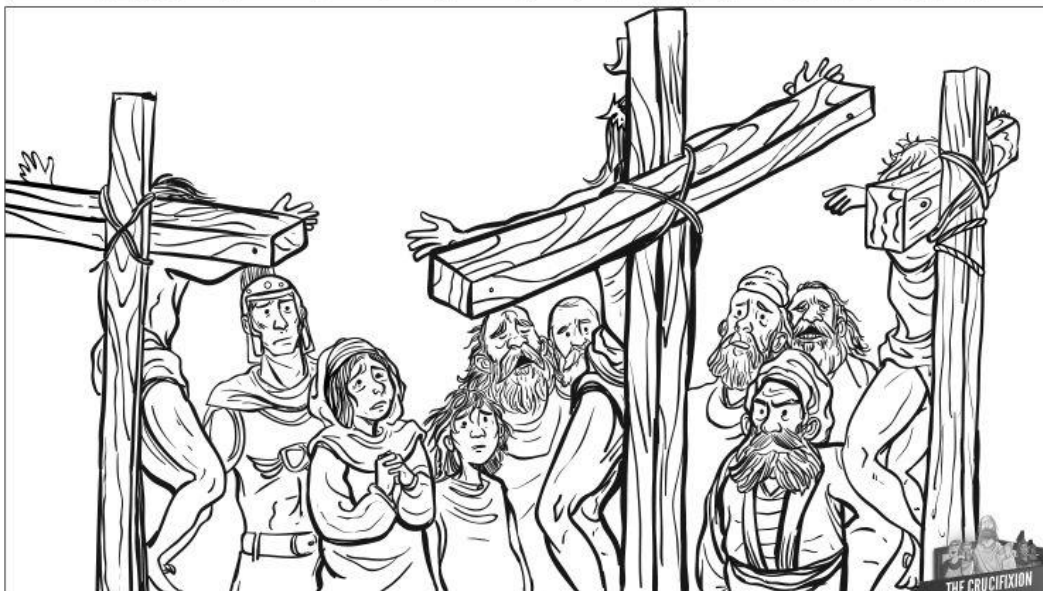
7. Jesus was _____.

- 9. Jesus was _____; He did not commit any sins.
- 10. The soldiers told _____ to help Jesus carry the cross.

Activity #8: Spot the difference

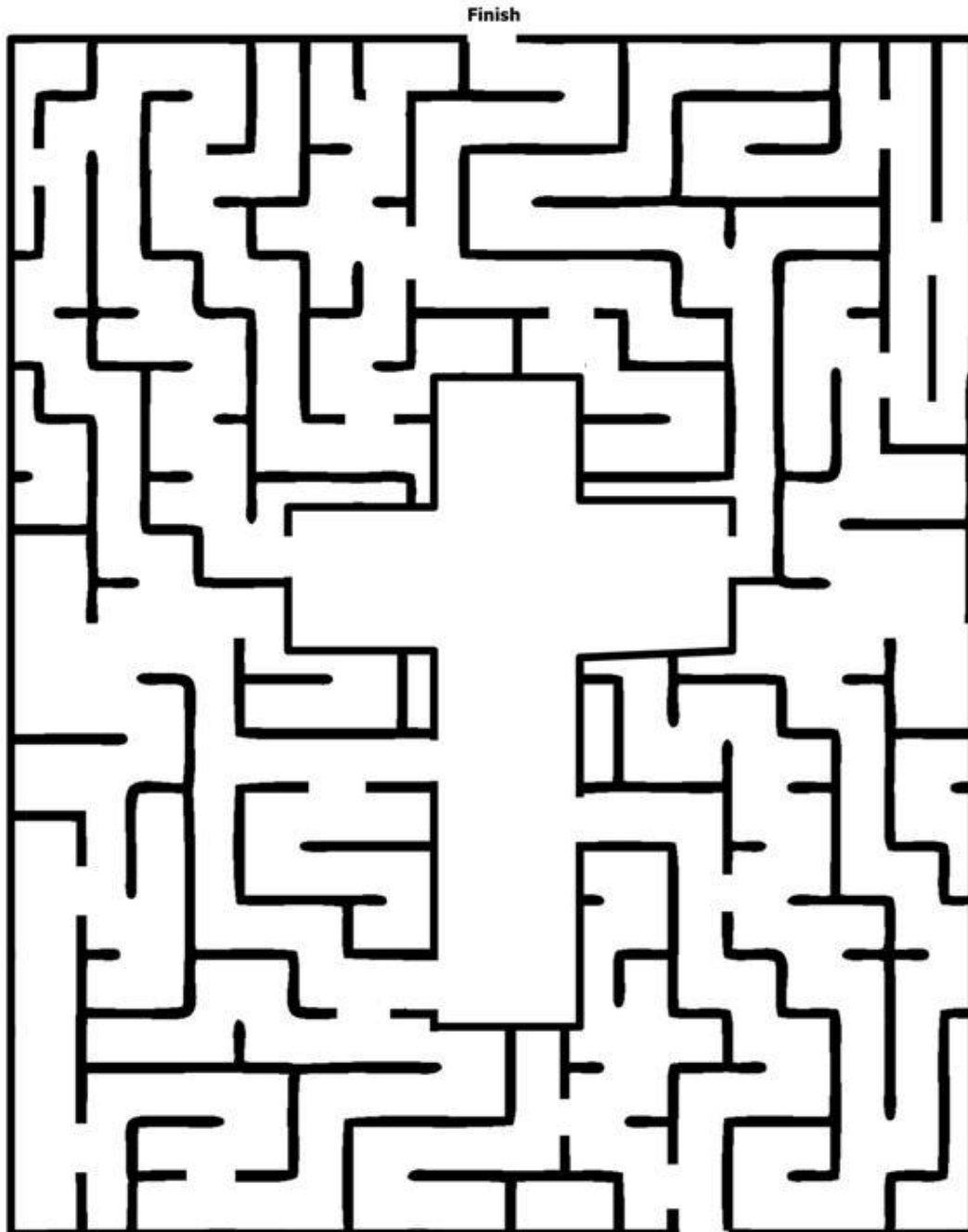
THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.

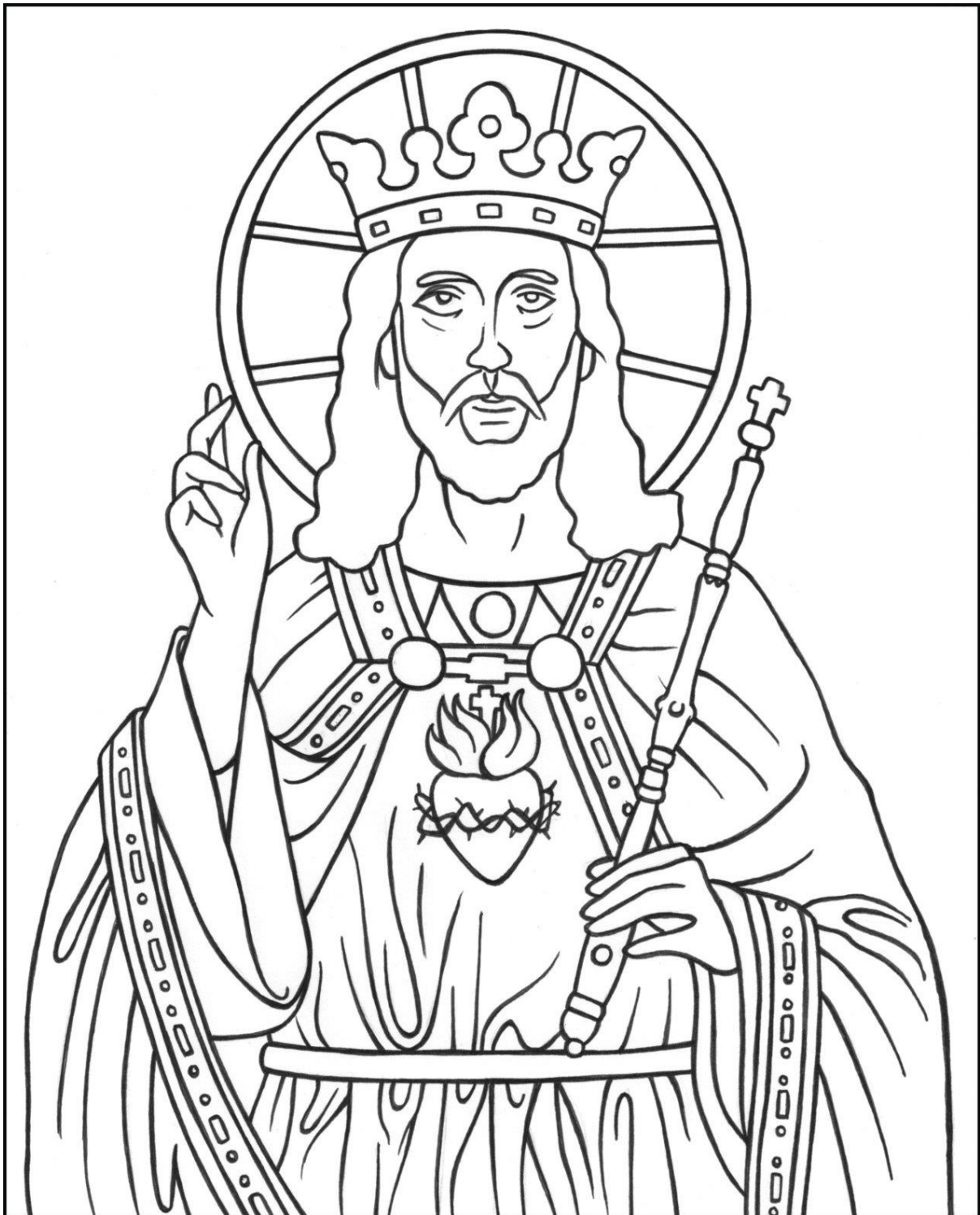


Activity #9: Find your way through the cross

Cross Maze Activity Page



Activity #10: Colour the picture



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