



Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie
welcomes

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to Mass today.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It!

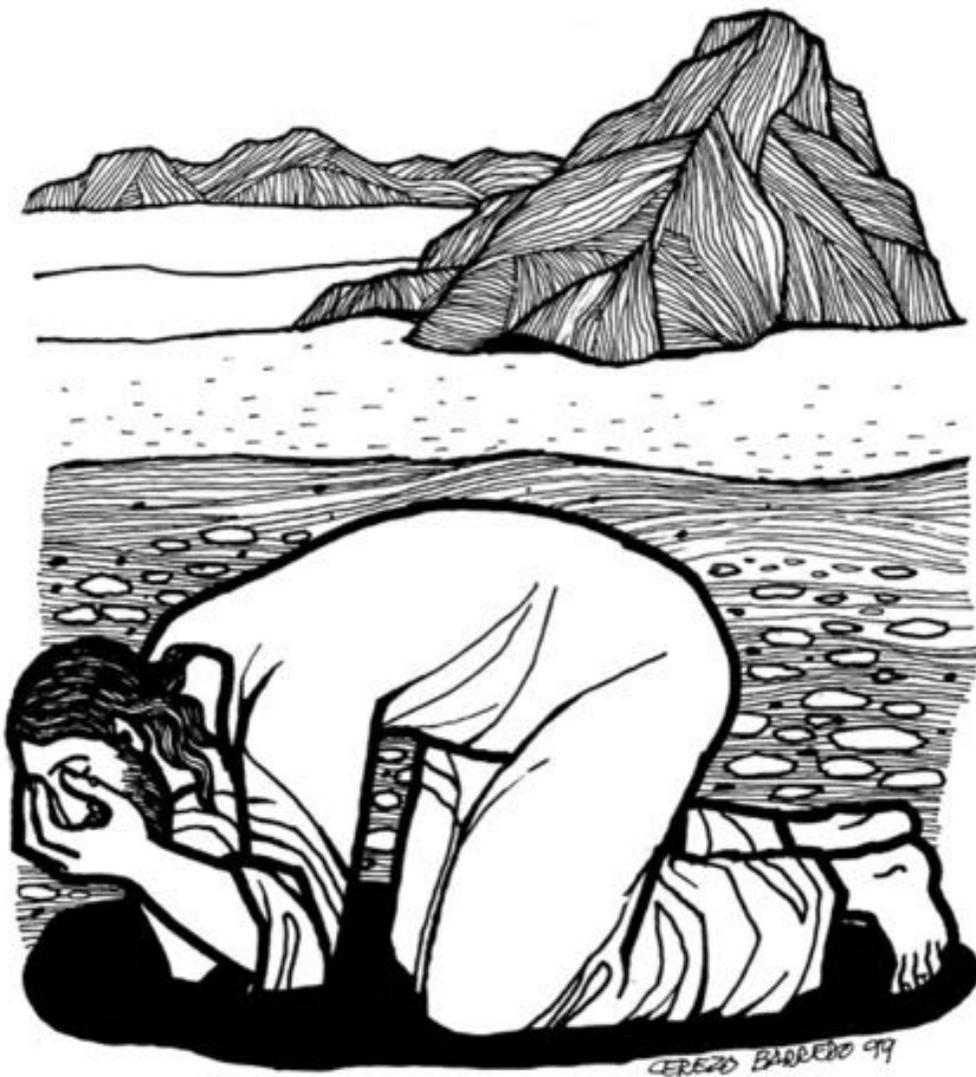
First Sunday of Lent. Year B.

We celebrated Ash Wednesday this week, which marks the start of Lent. Many of you may have decided to give something up for Lent, and some of you may have decided to take something on instead. But why do we do that? What's it all about? It's so that we can experience just a little of what Jesus went through, when he was in the desert for forty days and nights!

But today's Gospel is only in part about that. It also tells us that after John the Baptist was put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee to proclaim the good news of God.

There was a time when you could walk the streets of a city and hear the voice of newspaper boys crying out, "Extra! Extra! Read all about it!". The boys called out to get the attention of people who were passing by, so that they would come to them and buy a newspaper. That was the way the news was spread in those days. In a similar way, when Jesus was traveling all over Galilee, he was proclaiming "The kingdom of God is very near! Turn away from sin and believe the Good News". Jesus wanted everyone to know the good news of God's love for them!

How do people get the good news of God's love today? Some may get it from newspapers, radio or TV. Some may come to church and hear about God's love. But the best way to spread the good news of God's love is the same today as it was in Jesus' day. The best way is for you and me to tell others about it! So go on - go and pass on the Good News!



Jesus In the Desert

Word Search

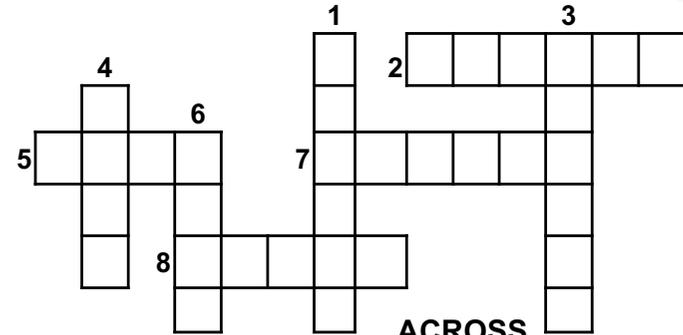
“The Spirit led Jesus into the desert among the wild animals where he stayed for forty days, and the devil came to tempt him, while angels watched over him.”

This week’s word search is based on Mark 1: 12-15

S J P Y B A P T I S E D P S S
 D M U I D L Q E Z S G T N U C
 J V Q Z L L V N R R N E I P E
 N E A R D O K N R E P T G M D
 W K D S D A E Z P O S G O E Z
 T I U U P V Y E Y P E C T Z F
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REPENT	TEMPTED	TIME
BAPTISED	BELIEVE	DESERT
GOOD	VOICE	KINGDOM
JORDAN	FORTY	NEWS
SPIRIT	HEAVEN	DAYS

Crossword Puzzle



DOWN

- The place where God is
- The river where Jesus was baptised
- A dry area with very little vegetation
- The opposite of bad
- Information about recent events

ACROSS

- The man who baptised Jesus
- Messengers of God
- A clear, odourless liquid; H₂O

Angels	Desert	Good	John
News	Water	Heaven	Jordan

Children's Prayer

Dear Jesus. Please help us to follow your example, and share the good news of God’s love with everyone we meet! Please give us the courage and the right words to use. Amen.

