



Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie
welcomes

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to Mass today.

Jesus Is Rejected At Home

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C.

In today's Gospel, we hear about how many people who knew Jesus, had a hard time believing some of the amazing things that they heard about him. This was especially true of the people in his home town of Nazareth. People had heard about the miracles that Jesus had done in Capernaum and they just didn't know how they could be true. After all, wasn't he Joseph's son? Hadn't they been neighbours and friends of his family, as he had been growing up? How could the son of a carpenter they knew, possibly do all of the things that they had heard about?

When Jesus heard their comments, he said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself! Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.' I tell you the truth," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown".

The people in the synagogue became furious. Jesus made it clear that the power of God's healing and love was to be offered to *all* people. I can imagine some of them were also very jealous of Jesus; if all that people were saying was true, then why Jesus? What was so special about him? So they got up and drove him up on a hill and out of the town. They did intend to throw him off a cliff, but he managed to get away unharmed.

What a way to treat one of their own! And all for sharing God's healing and love. It seems that no matter what Jesus did, he was never going to be able to please the people in his own hometown.



Some of them began to ask, 'Isn't this the Son of Joseph the carpenter? And Jesus replied, 'Truly, I say to you, no prophet is ever acceptable in his own country'.

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Word Search

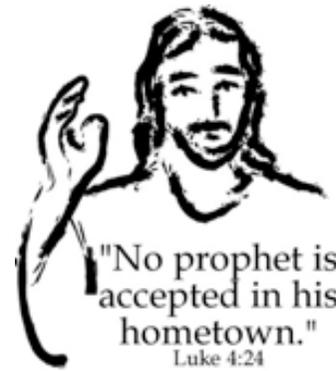
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This week's word search is based on Luke 4: 21-30

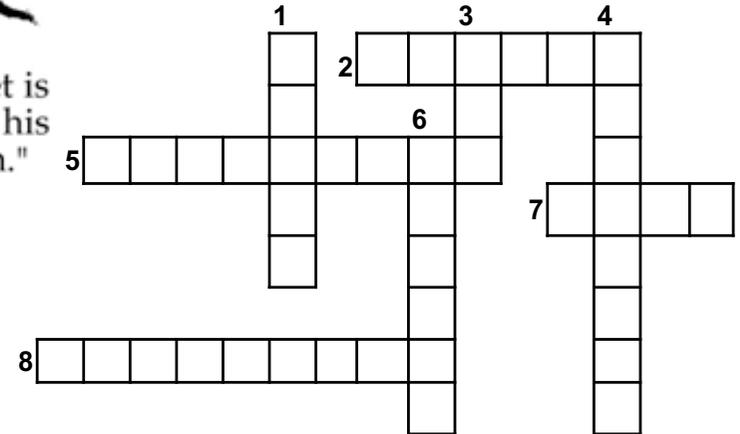


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| TRUTH | FULFILLED | JOSEPH |
| CROWD | FURIOUS | CLIFF |



Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 2. The earthly father of Jesus
- 5. Another word for a doctor
- 7. To make or become healthy again
- 8. The sacred writings of the Bible

DOWN

- 1. An area of high, steep rocks beside the sea
- 3. A person's male child
- 4. The town where you grew up
- 6. To be very surprised

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| Heal | Son | Physician | Amazed |
| Joseph | Hometown | Scripture | Cliff |

Children's Prayer

Heavenly Father. Even when others refuse to believe that Jesus has the power to heal and forgive, please help us to remain faithful and true. In Jesus name we pray, amen.

