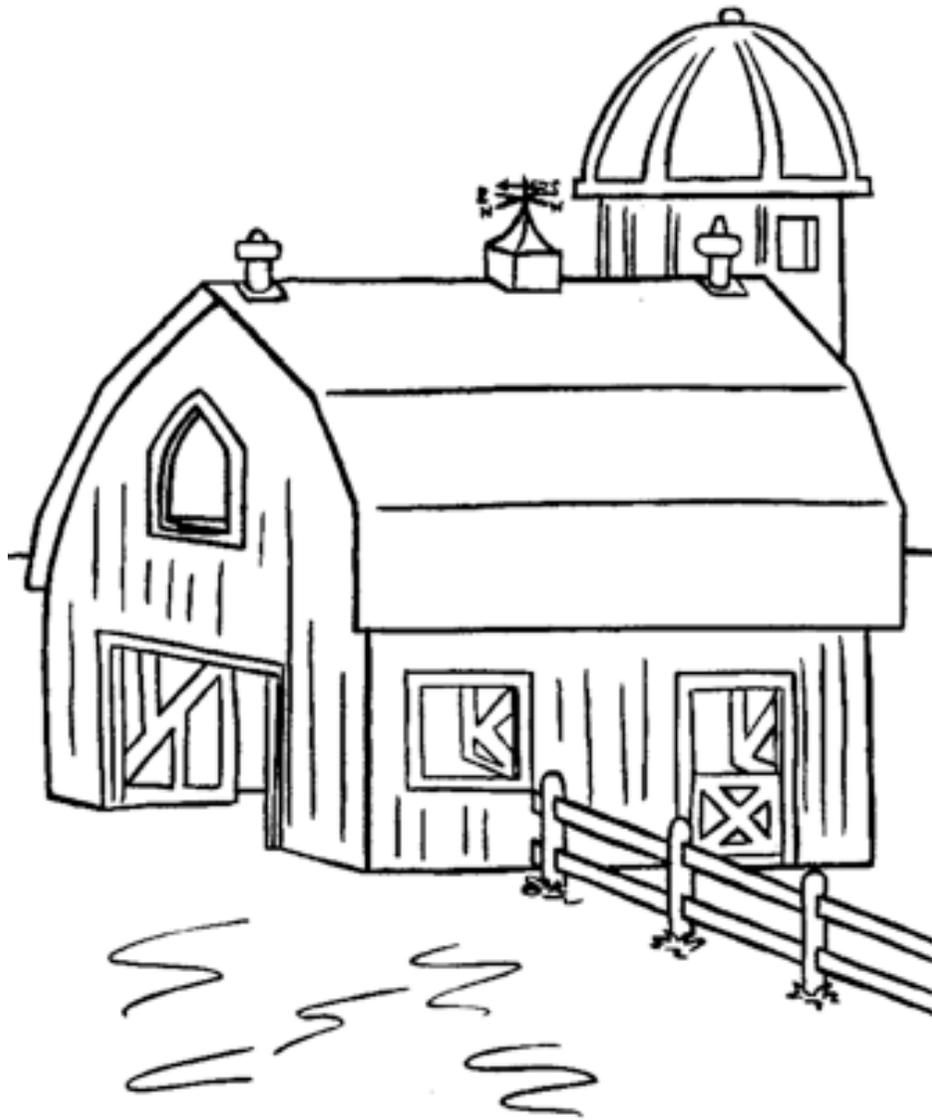


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The Parable Of The Rich Fool



Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie
welcomes

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to Mass today.

The Parable Of The Rich Fool

Eighteenth Sunday in Normal Time. Year C.

Do you ever watch games shows that are about the contestant trying to win loads of money? Lots of them involve being offered some sort of 'deal', rather than holding out for the biggest sums of money. Sometimes the contestants accept the deal, rather than risking losing it all a little further on in the game.

There are lots of people who go through life making deals and trying to build up more and more wealth. They think that the more money and possessions they have, the happier they will be. In today's Gospel, we hear how Jesus warned us about that. He said, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." He then told the story of a man whose land had produced so much grain that he had no place to store it. Even though he had plenty, he wanted more, so he decided to tear down his barns and build bigger ones. Jesus said the man was a fool, for when his life was over, he would leave everything behind. He would leave this world with nothing.

You see, money doesn't bring lasting happiness. It can't answer every problem, and often it causes more worries than it solves. Earthly riches and treasure are worthless in heaven, but a person's love and goodness are more valuable to Jesus than any earthly treasure could ever be. If the rich man had given away the extra harvest he didn't need and couldn't store, then the precious treasure he had saved in heaven would have far out-weighted the profit he had lost on Earth. *True* happiness and contentment can be found by loving God and one another. Love is more precious than any worldly possession or treasure; it is what makes us truly 'rich' in the eyes of God.

Word Search



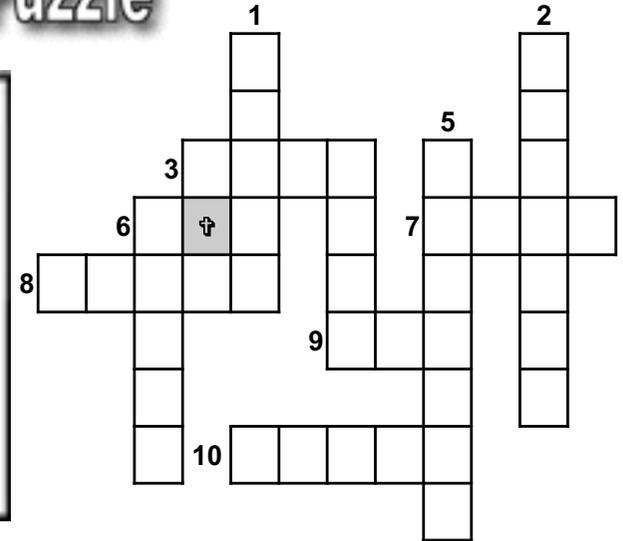
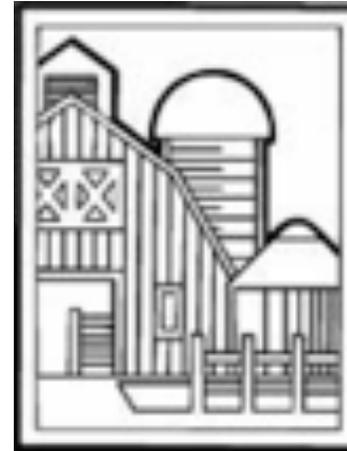
This week's word search is based on Luke 12: 13-21

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JUDGE	CROWD	THINGS
BARN	GUARD	STORE
EAT	BIGGER	WATCH
GREED	RICH	FOOL
DIVIDE	GROUND	DRINK
GOOD	CROP	MERRY



Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- A person who acts unwisely
- Having great material wealth
- Large farm buildings used for storing farm products or sheltering farm animals
- To take food into the body through the mouth
- An official who decides cases brought before a court of law

DOWN

- Agricultural products, such as grain, vegetables or fruit
- A person who educates or gives instruction
- The period of time between birth and death
- A male having the same parent / parents as another
- To take liquid into the mouth and swallow

Rich	Judge	Crops	Brother	Barns
Life	Eat	Fool	Teacher	Drink

Children's Prayer

Dear Father. Please help us to be content with the blessings which you so generously give us, and help us to be on our guard against selfishness and greed. Amen

