

# Colouring In



**Jesus once said, “Let the children come to me. I tell you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will never enter it”.**

(Mark 10:13-16)



# Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie  
welcomes

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to Mass today.

## Answering God's Call

**Twenty-First Sunday in Normal Time. Year C.**

Have you been having a good summer holidays? We've had a super time visiting the family and friends. We've been seeing people who live further away, and who are harder to see during term time. It's important to make time to see the people we love and care about, and it often takes some effort to do so. But in making the time, those relationships have the chance to grow stronger, and the love between us to grow bigger. Just as we need to make time and put in effort to build our relationships with friends and family, we also need to do the same with God. But it can feel a little trickier to do that, because we can't 'see' God in the same way as other people.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is asked the question about how many people will get into the Kingdom of God at the end of time. And Jesus replied that there will be many more people who won't get there, but who would really like to. You see, the Kingdom of God is also not a place we can 'see'; it exists within the hearts and souls of people, and God is calling us to invite us to join Him there. That invitation is for everyone! Only by making the time and effort to get to know and love God, and by working hard to live our lives by Jesus' standards of love, do we have the ability to answer God's call.

The journey to God's Kingdom may be 100,000 miles, but every day of our lives we have the opportunity to take one step closer to getting there. And God can help us. Just like we trust and depend on our parents, or our grandparents, or our aunties and uncles, so we must learn to trust in God. You may not be able to see Him in the same way as your friends and family, but He is always with you. So talk to Him like you would another family member, and get to know Him. Ask Him for help, and let him help you!

# Word Search

Today's Word Search is based on Luke 13: 22-30



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| JERSUALEM | KINGDOM  | GOD      |
| KNOCKING  | DOOR     | MASTER   |
| PROTEST   | WEEPING  | WAILING  |
| ANCESTERS | PEOPLE   | GATHERED |
| FEASTING  | TOGETHER | FIRST    |



# Decoder Puzzle

Each number below represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the letters for numbers, to reveal the coded words!

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| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |

1. 3-25-24-24-9-9-17 \_\_\_\_\_
2. 23-22-7 \_\_\_\_\_
3. 23-9-22-3-13-20-21-2 \_\_\_\_\_
4. 2-14-17 \_\_\_\_\_
5. 9-8-24-1-25-17-9-17 \_\_\_\_\_
6. 23-9-6 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 19-20-21-2-17-14-10 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 6-20-17-9 \_\_\_\_\_

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| Kingdom  | God | Few  | Succeed  |
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# Children's Prayer

Loving Father! Please fill us with your love and let your kingdom come, and your will be done, through what we say and do. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

