

# Colouring In



**Mary's Song, Luke 1:46-56**

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## Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie  
welcomes

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to Mass today.

### Mary is Taken Up to Heaven

#### *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

Today we celebrate the 'Assumption' of Mary, Our Lady and the blessed Mother of God's Son. But what does that word 'assumption' mean?

It means that Mary was taken, body and soul, up into Heaven, where she lives in the presence of God. We know this through the wisdom and knowledge given to various Popes and many other holy people, but there is not much written about it in the bible. So we don't know if Mary died here on earth, before being taken up into Heaven, or whether she was taken up into heaven alive. Either way, it was a very special gift given to her, and was only given because she was so special.

So what makes Mary so very special? Her life – like that of every Christian – was a journey of following Jesus. Today we know that she is a very important friend to us, praying for us and accompanying us on our journey. She helps us to find our way to her son, Jesus, and Jesus – as we know – is the only one who can then help us find our way back to God. Just like Jesus, Mary was born without sin, and remained sinless throughout her whole life. That means that she always chose to do God's will, always deciding to do what God wanted her to do, not what she wanted to do. The only other person to be born sinless was John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, we hear what Mary did after she had been visited by the Angel Gabriel. The Angel Gabriel had told her that her cousin, Elizabeth, was also expecting a child (John the Baptist) even though Elizabeth was very old. On hearing the news from the angel, Mary immediately went on a long journey to visit Elizabeth, where she stayed for 3 months.

# Decoder Puzzle

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

E	O	U	N	X	B	F	R	Z	T	L	H	Q
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

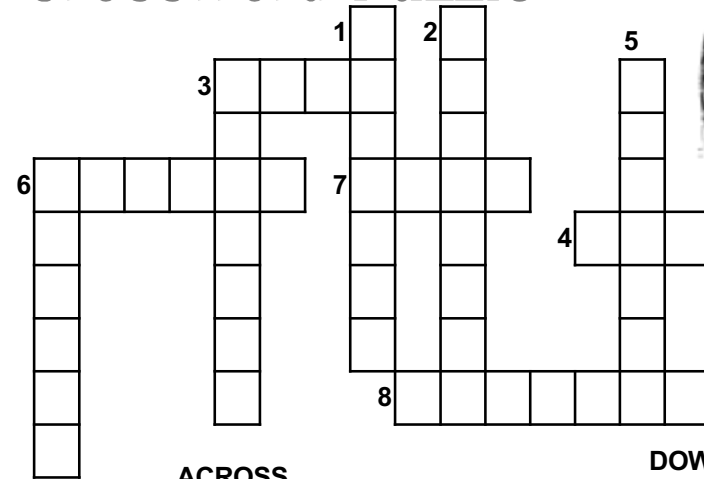
V	D	J	S	A	K	I	C	Y	P	W	G	M
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 6-1-11-20-1-14-1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 1-11-20-9-18-6-1-10-12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6-11-1-17-17-1-15 \_\_\_\_\_
- 21-2-3-17-20-4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 26-18-8-22 \_\_\_\_\_
- 21-12-2-17-1-4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 25-18-6-8-20-1-11 \_\_\_\_\_
- 16-2-22 \_\_\_\_\_
- 24-1-11-21-2-26-1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 24-2-26-1-4 \_\_\_\_\_

Gabriel	Cousin	Mary	Joy	Elizabeth
Blessed	Chosen	Believe	Women	Welcome



# Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

- The spiritual part of humans which lives forever
- What you feel when you are very happy
- To feel the need or desire for food
- Having great wealth
- You are this when you have good things given to, especially by God

## DOWN

- To give honour, praise and adoration to
- To show mercy or compassion to another
- One who yields or surrenders to the will or authority of another
- To express great joy or happiness is to \_\_\_\_\_
- Not proud or boastful

Soul	Rejoice	Blessed	Hungry
Servant	Glorify	Humble	Joy
Rich	Merciful		

# Children's Prayer

Dear Mary, Queen of Heaven. Thank you for caring about us and for helping us on our journey to find Jesus. Please keep praying for us, and guiding us on our way. Amen.