

# Colouring In



## Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

(Luke 19: 1-10)

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# Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie  
welcomes

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to Mass today.

## Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

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

Have you ever been to a parade, and then struggled to see very much because of all the crowds? Today's Gospel reading is about a man who went to parade and who experienced just that. The main attraction was Jesus, but he couldn't see above the crowd.

Jesus had become quite famous, because he had performed many miracles, and so when he entered the city of Jericho, the atmosphere was very much like some sort of parade. People lined the streets hoping to get a glimpse of Jesus. One of the people in the crowd was a man who was very short, and he couldn't see above all the people in the crowd. His name was Zacchaeus. He really wanted to see Jesus, so he climbed a tree and waited for Jesus to pass by. As Jesus travelled through the streets of Jericho, he came to the place where Zacchaeus sat up in the tree. Jesus stopped, looked up in the tree, and he said, "Zacchaeus, you come down, for I am going to your house today."

The people in the crowd were shocked! You see, Zacchaeus was one of the most hated men in all of Jericho, because he was the chief tax collector and he had become very rich because he cheated people by collecting more taxes than they owed and keeping it for himself. The people could not believe that Jesus would go to the home of a man like that!

Zacchaeus knew that he had cheated people and when he and Jesus arrived at his house, he confessed and said that he was sorry for what he had done. He said to Jesus, "I am going to give half of all that I own to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Because Zacchaeus was sorry for what he had done and confessed his sin, Jesus forgave him and said, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Because he met Jesus, Zacchaeus' life was changed. And, when you truly invite Jesus into your heart and home, he will change your life too.

# Word Search



Today's Word Search is based on Luke 19: 1-10.

J L P O S M S I N N E R E C T  
 E M W R S O Z F J W H M M A A  
 R Z E E M C H I E F O S I I X  
 I L Z N A N E Y P C W H T U O  
 C O M A E L H L L D C O R R L  
 H S Z M C L T E X O D R E B H  
 O T O L R C W H H W J T E I G  
 Z C S H Y B H P Y N T N C N U  
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 T A P A G U V M E M Z N O R S  
 D K V J A S S D A U W D W F T  
 Y B X E A K D E O P S S D R P  
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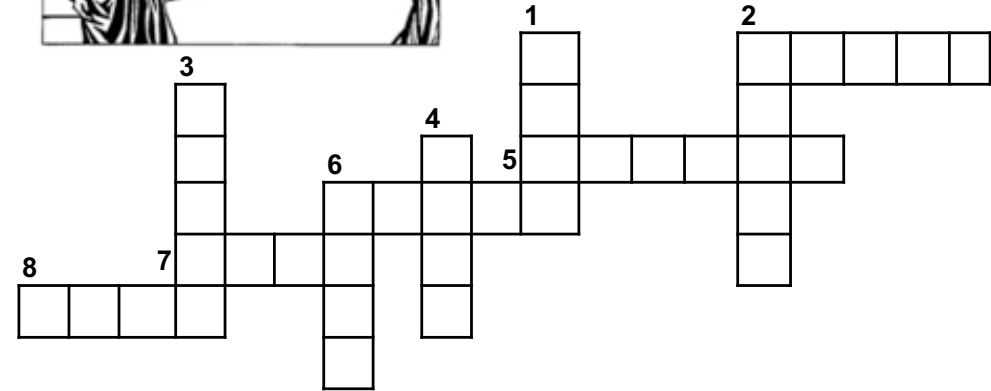
CLIMB	SHORT	SAVE
SEEK	JERICO	CHIEF
WELCOME	HOUSE	WEALTHY
TAX	CROWD	TREE
ZACCHAEUS	COLLECTOR	SINNER

# Children's Prayer

Our Father. When we meet Jesus, it is a life-changing experience. Thank you for your love and forgiveness. Amen.



# Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- To move upwards, especially by using the hands and feet
- A person who disobeys God's laws; one who does wrong
- Not tall
- To rescue (from sin, or some other trouble)
- A large plant with a trunk, branches and leaves

### DOWN

- To be unable to find your way
- To get something for yourself in a dishonest way
- A building in which people, usually a family, live
- To have very little money
- To search for something or someone

Poor	Save	Lost	Climb	Tree
Short	Sinner	House	Cheat	Seek

