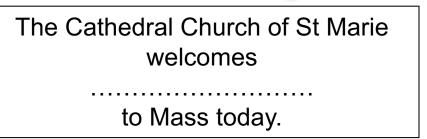
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"He who is greatest among you will be your servant"

Children's Activity Sheet



#### A Lesson In Humility

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year A.

Do you like balloons? I do! A balloon is a simple toy, but it brings a lot of pleasure to people of all ages. I like playing a game where you have to keep the balloon up in the air and not let it touch the floor. They can be so much fun, but they can bring sadness and disappointment too... Have you ever felt sad when a balloon of yours has burst?

You and I are sometimes like a balloon. Sometimes we get all puffed up and think that we are great, and we expect everyone else to think so too. Perhaps we think we are so great because we are good-looking, or really good at something, like a particular sport. Sometimes we get so puffed up with our own importance, that something comes along to burst our balloon!

In today's Gospel, Jesus warns us that this will happen. He tells us that if we are too proud, or if we think too much of ourselves, we are heading for a fall. On the other hand, if we are humble and realise that it is through God's strength that we are able to do great things, we will be given a place of honour in the Kingdom of Heaven!

From now on, when you see a balloon, I hope it will remind you that we should not become puffed up with our own importance – or something might just come along and burst our balloon!

# Word Search

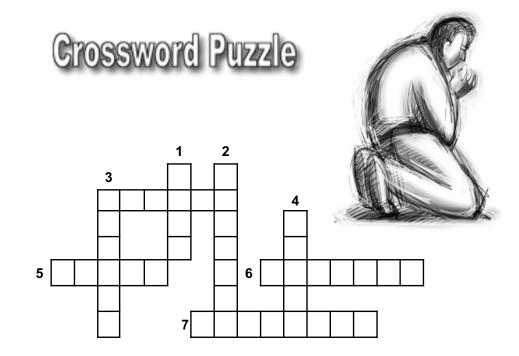
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# Children's Prayer

Heavenly Father, please help us not to become too puffed up with our own importance. Remind us that whatever abilities we have are a gift from you, and that you are the one who deserves the praise! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





#### **ACROSS**

- 3. To consider yourself as having no special importance; not proud
- 5. A large gathering of people
- 6. A formal dinner honouring a particular person or occasion
- 7. Most important, powerful or famous

#### **DOWN**

- 1. To do what you are told or expected to do
- 2. Someone who trains or instructs other people
- 3. A place of high respect or esteem
- 4. To praise someone or raise to a more powerful position

Greatest	Crowd	Banquet	Teacher
Honour	Humble	Exalt	Obey