

PRAYING *With* CHILDREN

SUNDAY LITURGY



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

13 November 2022 - Year C

“Your endurance will win you your life.”

Something to Think About

Can you remember a time when you felt sad or upset? Who helped you to feel better?

The Story

In this gospel reading Jesus is reminding his followers that it isn't easy to be a disciple. In fact, Jesus tells them that they will have hard times in their lives and that terrible things may happen in the world. However, Jesus tells them not to be afraid, but to keep trusting and believing in him.

The Scriptures

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

21:5-15

Some people were talking about the beautiful stones used to build the temple and about the gifts that had been placed in it. Jesus said, "Do you see these stones? The time is coming when not one of them will be left in place. They will all be knocked down."

Some people asked, "Teacher, when will all this happen? How can we know when these things are about to take place?"

Jesus replied: "Don't be fooled by all those men who will come and claim to be me. They will say, 'I am Christ!' and 'Now is the time!' But don't follow them. When you hear about wars and riots, don't be afraid. These things will have to happen first, but that is not the end.

Nations will go to war against one another, and kingdoms will attack each other. There will be great earthquakes, and in many places people will starve to death and suffer terrible diseases. All sorts of frightening things will be seen in the sky. Before all this happens, you will be arrested and punished. You will be tried in the Jewish meeting places and put in jail. Because of me you will be placed on trial before kings and governors. But this will be your chance to tell about your faith.

Don't worry about what you will say to defend yourselves. I will give you the wisdom to know what to say."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Video

[Won't Worry 'Bout a Thing](#)



Group Discussion

As a group, brainstorm suggestions about what can be done to make people feel better when they are sad. Even a smile, a friendly 'hello' or a helping hand can sometimes make all the difference to someone who is lonely, upset or in pain.

Praying For Others

Leader: Let us pray now for the leaders of our Church, our world, for those in our community and for our own needs.

Reader 1: We pray that our leaders will be people who care for others. Lord hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 2: We pray for all those who have lost a loved one. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 3: We pray for our families and friends. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 4: We pray that we will turn to Jesus in difficult times. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 5: We pray that we will let go of our worries and trust in God. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Invite the children to pray for their own special intentions.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: Loving God, listen to the prayers we make in the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

Prayer



Dear Jesus,
Help us to trust in you at all times.
We know we don't have to worry
because you are with us always.
Amen.

Group Activity

Jesus Protects Me

There's no need to worry. Jesus keeps us safe!

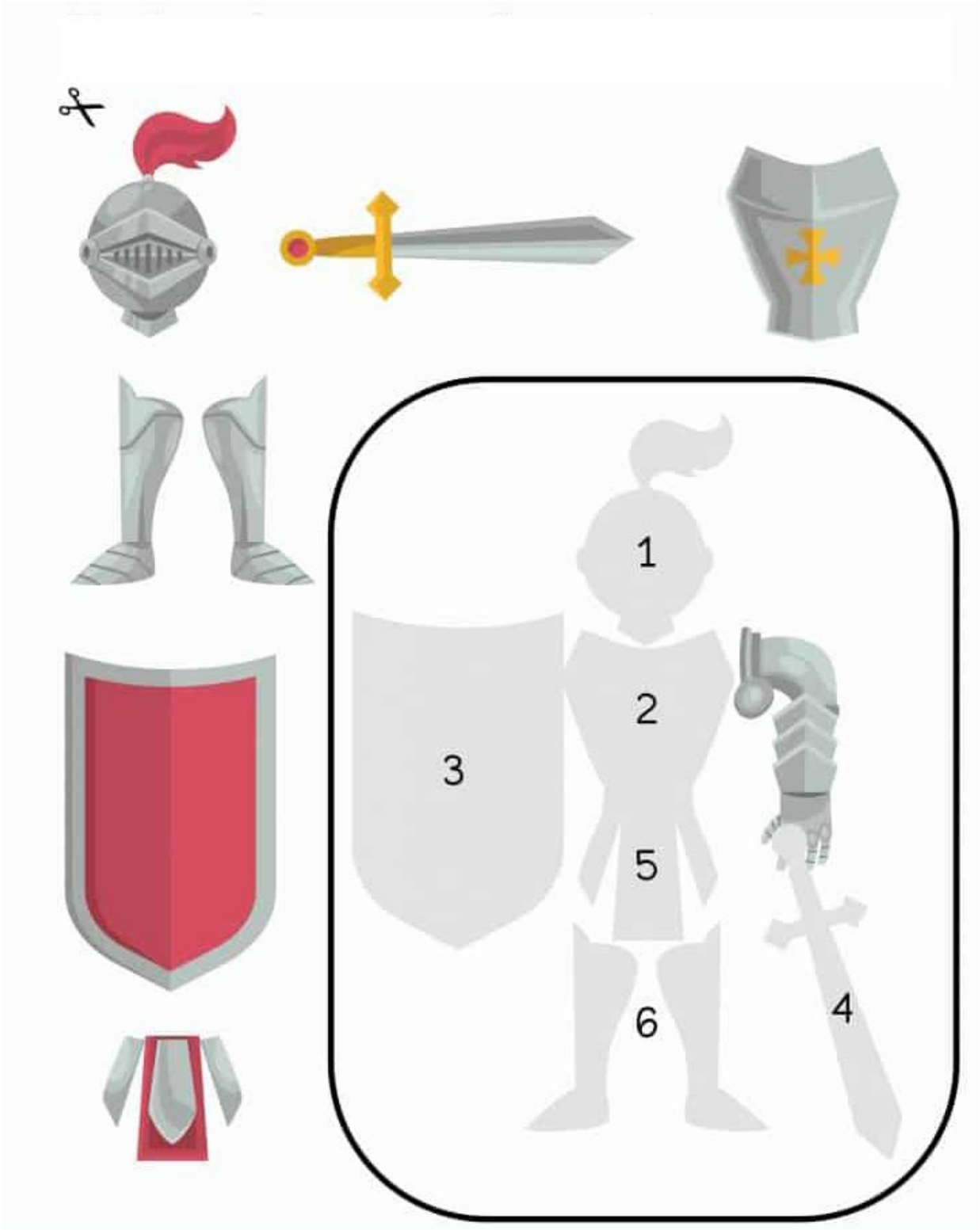
You will need: a template printed on card for each child, scissors, glue, dice.

1. Cut out the pieces of armour.
2. Roll a dice, and collect the matching piece of armour.
3. Glue it onto the person so they are strong and protected.



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JESUS SAID, DON'T WORRY! DO NOT BE AFRAID!



WHAT MAKES YOU SCARED?

