

Sharing the mission of Jesus

Children's Liturgy for Sunday 17 November 2019



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Suggested Songs:

- The Kingdom of heaven – Mike Anderson
- City of God – Dan Schutte
- My redeemer lives – Hillsong Worship
- Bless the Lord - Taize

Suggested Resources:

- Activity sheets
- Pictures of Pentecost
- Pens
- Coloured felt tips/pencils

Introduction

Today we will be talking about sharing the Mission of Jesus, not only by coming to Mass but also every day in our lives.

What does the word Mission mean?

50 days after Jesus had risen from the dead, he appeared to his disciples and sent them out to tell everyone the Good News. The disciples went out into the world and spread the news about what Jesus had said and done. Today, we share the same mission as the disciples. We have an important to show everyone that Christ is alive in us, in the way we treat each other and the things that we do.

How do you think we can do this?

In the readings today, Jesus talks about the destruction of the temple. He was telling his disciples that it is not the buildings that are important to worship God. The Church is made up of all the people, it is not just a building.

Penitential Rite

For the times we have not shown people around us that we are followers of Jesus Christ.

Leader: Lord Have Mercy

Children all say: Lord Have Mercy

For the times we have hurt people with our words or actions.

Leader: Christ have mercy

Children all say: Christ Have Mercy

May we share the Good News of Jesus in our church, our school and our world.

Leader: Lord Have Mercy

Children all say: Lord Have Mercy



Gospel

A reading from the Gospel of Luke

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

The disciples were talking about how beautiful the temple was but in this reading Jesus reminded them that one day the temple would no longer be there. This helps us to remember that our church is more than just a building. It is the people that make the church. We are also reminded that the kingdom of God is not a building.

How can we show we are Catholics when we are not in Church?

Suggested Responses:

- Complete activity sheet
- Take a bible quote to share at home
- Write a message to someone to tell them about the things Jesus said and did
- Talk about how we can tell people about Jesus and record your answers to give to your Synod member in your parish.



Prayer

We pray to the Holy Spirit to give us the gifts we need to help us to spread the Good News to people, to give us the courage we need to be followers of Jesus in our world today.

We pray for people who have turned away from God or who do not know God, may our witness of faith help people to feel God's love, so they will be filled with strength and hope.

Amen

Synod Prayer

Father, we thank you
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
We thank you for the gift of the Church,
through which you show us
that you are always with us
and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020
help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.
May your Holy Spirit be powerfully
at work among us.

Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope
and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond
to the challenges of our times in new ways
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.
We make this prayer
through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

AMEN

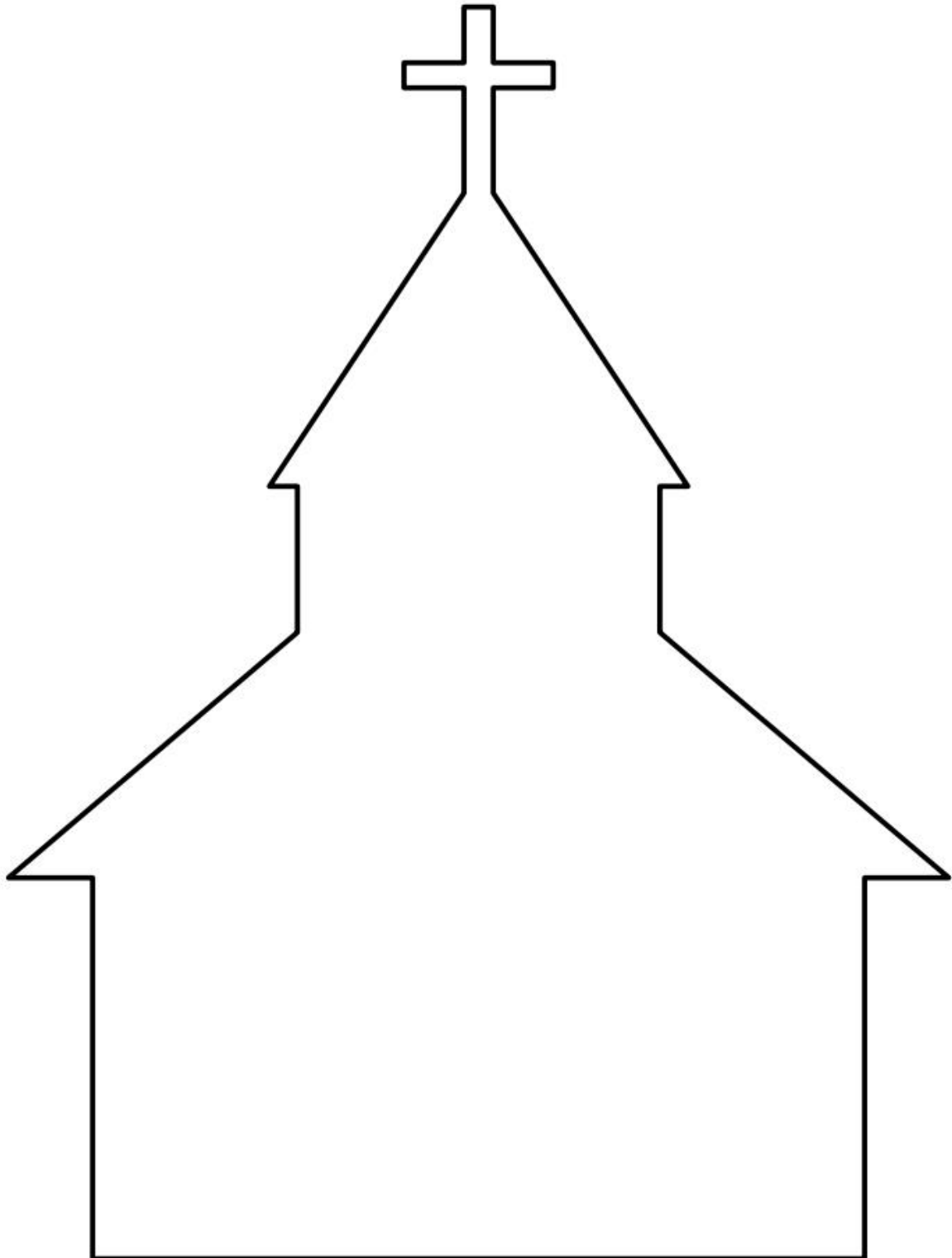
St John Henry Newman: **Pray for us!**



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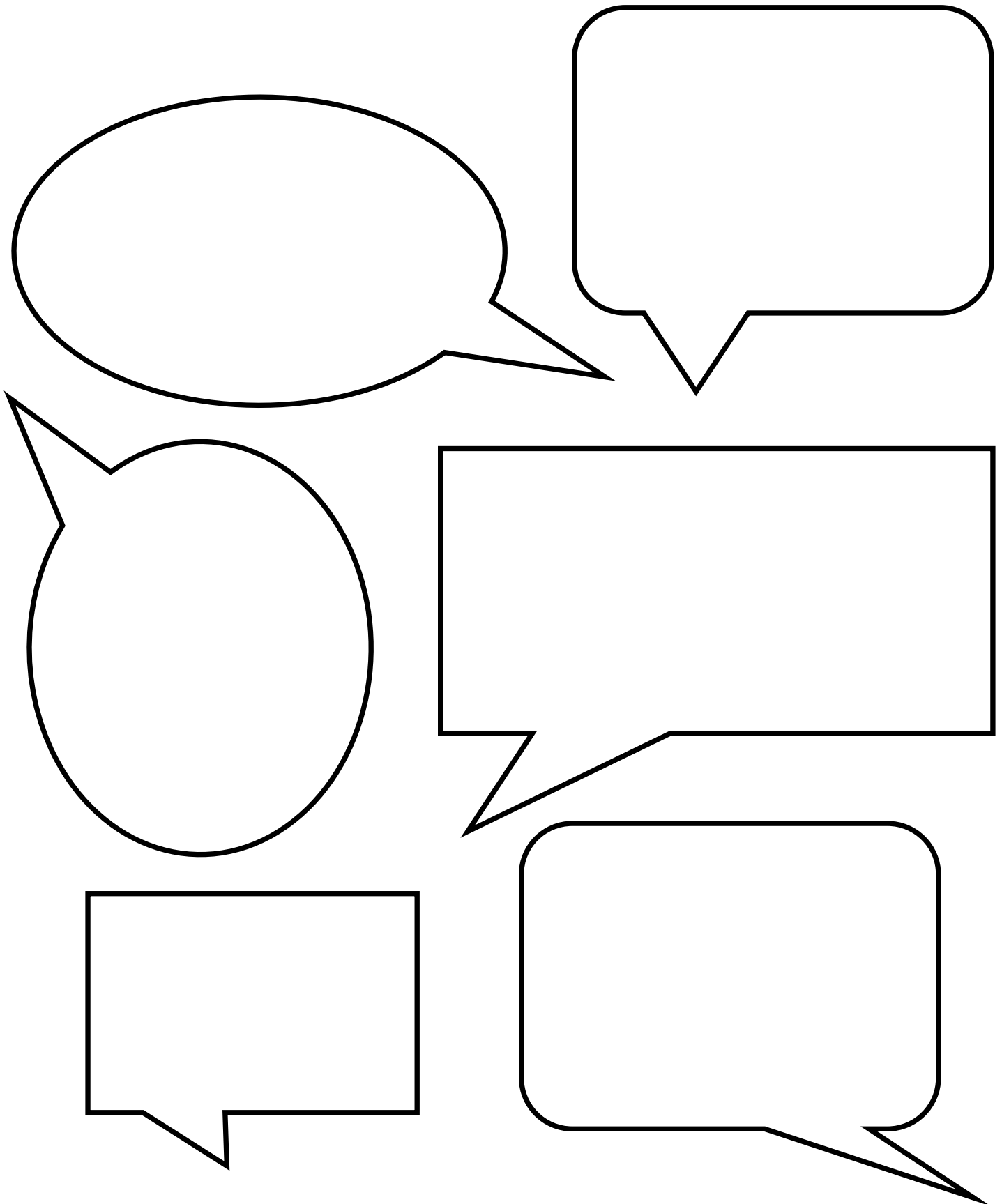
Inside the church write down what is special about your church.

Around the church write down what is special in your life.



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How can we tell people about Jesus through our words and actions? Write your ideas in the speech bubbles:



The form consists of six empty speech bubbles of various shapes and sizes, arranged in a scattered layout. The bubbles are outlined in black and have no text inside. They are intended for the user to write their ideas about sharing the mission of Jesus.

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To:

My message about Jesus:

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Cut out and share the bible quotes:

1 Thessalonians 2:11-12 "For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory."

Psalms 119:114

"You are my hiding-place and my shield;
I hope in your word."

Philippians 4:7 "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Psalms 46:1-3 "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging."

1 Chronicles 16:11 "Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always."

Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Jeremiah 29:11-13 "For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.'"

1 Corinthians 16:13 "Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be brave."

James 1:2-4 "Dear brothers and sisters, when any kind of trouble comes your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing."

Psalms 23:1 "The Lord is my shepherd. I have all I need."

Philippians 4:13 "I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me."

Romans 8:31 "What shall we say about things as wonderful as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us?"

Isaiah 43:2 "When you pass through deep waters, I will be with you; your troubles will not overwhelm you. When you pass through fire, you will not be burned; the hard trials that come will not hurt you."