

World MISSION SUNDAY Children's Liturgy



DISPLAY Bible (open at *Mark 10:42-45*), globe, crucifix, candle

Catechist:

We welcome the Gospel by making a small Sign of the Cross on our forehead, lips and heart, so that we may think like Jesus, speak like Jesus and love like Jesus.

GOSPEL *Read a simplified version of today's Gospel or use the following adaptation*

Reader:

Jesus called his apostles to him because they were arguing among themselves about who were Jesus' best friends. Jesus said, 'If you want to be my best friends, then you must learn how to love and serve each other.' Jesus shows us the way to love and serve each other. Jesus gave his life that we might all be saved, and live for ever. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Catechist:

James and John were two of Jesus' apostles. They wanted Jesus to say that they could be his best friends. Let's look at today's Gospel and find out what Jesus says about this:

Jesus explained that his best friends were the people who loved and served other people. Jesus shows the way. In what ways did Jesus love and serve people? **(healing, helping, feeding, teaching, forgiving, washing feet...)**

What was the greatest way in which Jesus showed his love? **(Show crucifix)**

Why? **(He did not run away from difficulties... He forgave everyone when on the Cross... He showed us what to do.... And how to do it...)**

Can we think who loves and serves us? Do we say thank you? How?

How can we show that we love and serve? At home? At school?

PRAYER

Catechist:

The response to our prayer is: **Lord, teach us how to love and serve.**

Let us support each other by praying for one another. We pray... **Response**

We pray that all the children in the world will live in peace and friendship... **Response**

We pray for the all people who look after us... **Response**

We pray for the people who go out to the world to love and serve like Jesus... **Response**

Let us put our love into action by learning how to share with one another... **Response**

GOING FORTH

Catechist:

Let us go out to love and serve like Jesus did so that we can become his special friends.

