

**FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---**

*“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”  
(John 2:13-25)*



With these words recorded in today's Gospel Jesus foretells the mystery of His resurrection. Can we blame those hearing these words with confusing them with the construction of the Temple in Jerusalem? Remember the concluding words of St. Mark's account of the Transfiguration in last week's Gospel: *“So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.”* Even Peter, James and John needed to struggle with the mystery of the Resurrection - its meaning and significance for them.

In many ways Lent is a time for us to struggle with the gift of our faith in the Resurrection. What a gift is proclaimed by Jesus in today's Gospel. In fact, belief in the resurrection makes all the difference in the world - or does it? Belief in the Resurrection of Jesus is not some static dogma but an active belief that effects life - and how we live it! What difference does our belief that Jesus rose from the dead make in the way we live our lives? Is our life reflective of our faith that for the Christian life is not ended with death but merely changed?

It's the Good News of Easter that is for us Christians the cause of our joy and the reason for our hope. For by our Baptism we share both the death and resurrection of Jesus. Death and sin have no hold over us. We are an Easter People.

Yet we know how we struggle to put our faith into practice, how we often allow sin to control us; how we choose to live as people of the dark rather than the light.

Lent urges us to embrace the discipline of the Cross in order to live as a new creation in Christ.

*Remember: With Christ all things are possible.*

God bless.

Let us pray for one another,

*Msgr. Tosi*

**CONGRATULATIONS ---**

To the Girl Scouts especially the troops of St. Luke's Parish as they celebrate their 100th Anniversary. We are so pleased to share with the Girl Scouts this most happy occasion and pray for a future that continues their proud and noble past.

*Share in celebrating this special event by joining the Scouts for refreshments after all the Sunday Masses in the School Hall as the Girl Scout troops host Hospitality Sunday.*

**MISSION STATEMENT**

**As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and in Communion with the universal church, we strive to follow the Lord's command to love God and one another. Rooted in word and sacrament, we grow together as a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus.**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

<b>March 4</b>	<b>\$12,328</b>
<b>Amount Needed</b>	<b>\$13,425</b>
<b>Envelopes Mailed</b>	<b>1,988</b>
<b>Envelopes Received</b>	<b>692</b>

**THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION ---**

“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me” (Mt 25:35).

Today, we are reminded of Jesus’ call to see him in all those we encounter. The Catholic Relief Services Collection sees Jesus in displaced families, those who seek to change unjust laws, and those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe.

*How will you help Jesus in disguise?*  
Please be generous in today’s collection.

This weekend there will be two collections. The first collection is for the support of the parish. The second collection is for the support of The Catholic Relief Services. Your generosity to both collections is greatly appreciated.

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**A REMINDER ---**

As in past years all parish meetings - including all organizations and prayer groups - are **cancelled** during Holy Week and Easter Week from Saturday, March 31st to Sunday, April 15th. All meetings resume the week of April 16th. Hopefully this change to our regular parish schedule will help focus us on the sacred events of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection taking place in Holy Week and provide a little rest after Easter.



To all who give of their time and talent to ensure the success of our annual Forty Hours Devotion. A special word of gratitude to all who spent time in prayer with Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. What a blessing to the parish as well as to themselves.

Thank you in particular to Sean and Mary Brett for helping to organize the visitations and sharing their love for the Eucharist with us.

What a time of grace and blessing for us all.

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**ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - BASILICA ---**

Celebrating its 190th Anniversary, the Parish of St. James Cathedral-Basilica is presenting a lecture on Sunday, March 25, 2012 at 4pm called “The Village of Brooklyn, The Navy Yard and Vinegar Hill 1800-1900” by Dr. Patrick McNamara.

If you have any questions about this lecture, you may contact St. James Cathedral at 718-852-4002.

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**PARKING LOT REQUEST ---**

Please be considerate of your neighbors when using the parking lot across from the church. Please do not block already parked cars when parking and keep within parking spaces marked by the white lines.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

2012 marks the  
**100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Girl Scouts**

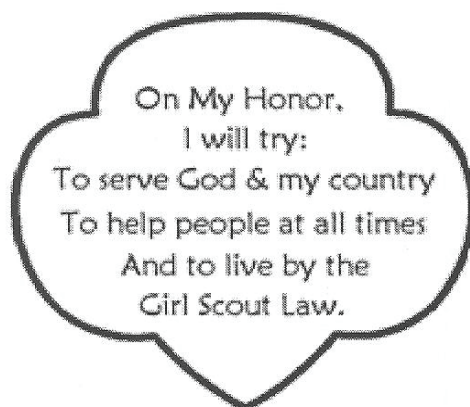
For the past century, the organization has  
never diverted from standing for:

**Leadership Empowerment Tradition**

In honor of this special occasion, St Luke's Parish  
will be dedicating the  
**10:30 mass on Sunday March 11, 2012**  
to the Girl Scouts

We would be honored to have both active and  
alumnæ Girl Scouts as well as the rest of the parish  
come celebrate this memorable anniversary.

Hospitality Sunday refreshments to be hosted by the  
various Girl Scout troops of St Luke's Parish  
following the mass in the school gymnasium.



# St. Luke Church

# COMMITMENT WEEKEND PLEDGE CARD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] Not registered, but would like to be!

I am/We are pleased to make a gift to

***Serving the Present; Building the Future***

**Yes!** I/We agree to pledge today or increase my/our pledge.

**Amen!** I/We have already made a pledge.

**Praying!** I am/We are thinking about my/our decision.

Please call me/us at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # Date

Total Pledge Amount  \$25,000  \$18,000  \$12,000  \$6,000  \$2,500  \$1,200

Payable:  Monthly (12 x a year)  Quarterly (4 x a year)  Semi-Annually (2 x a year)  Annually (1 x a year)

Beginning: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ months/years. I/We expect the periodic payment to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_

To help determine your sacrificial pledge, gift amounts can be structured as follows:

Total Pledge	Annually	Semi-Annually	Quarterly	Monthly	Daily
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$417	\$13.70
\$18,000	\$3,600	\$1,800	\$900	\$300	\$9.86
\$12,000	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$600	\$200	\$6.57
\$6,000	\$1,200	\$600	\$300	\$100	\$3.29
\$2,500	\$500	\$250	\$125	\$42	\$1.48
\$1,200	\$240	\$120	\$60	\$20	\$0.66

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS ---**

Monday Evenings at 7:30pm in Italian  
Wednesday Afternoons at 1:00pm  
Friday Evenings at 7:30pm



Friday, March 16 - **Liturgical Ministers**  
Friday, March 23 - **Family**  
Friday, March 30 - **Prayer Groups**

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ---**

Every Tuesday during Lent beginning February 28th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.



**PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---**

If you are planning a Baptism, please note the following dates:

<b>Baptism Sunday</b>	<b>Baptism Class</b>
	<b>March 19</b>
<b>April 14 (Sat.) &amp; 29</b>	<b>April 16</b>
<b>May 20 &amp; 27</b>	<b>May 21</b>
<b>June 10 &amp; 24</b>	<b>June 18</b>



For more information, please call the rectory at 718-746-8102.



***ST. LUKE'S ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER-DANCE  
IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH ---***

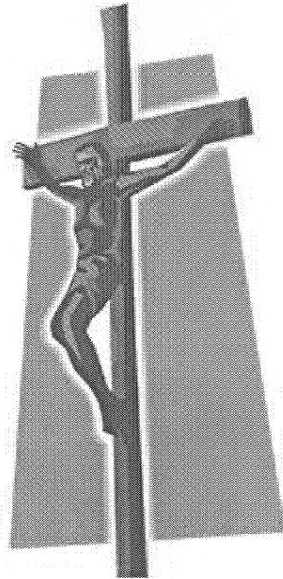
Join us on **Saturday, March 17th** for our annual Dinner Dance in Honor of Saint Joseph. This event will take place in St. Luke's School Hall from 7:00pm until Midnight. Great food, great music, raffles and fun! Tickets are \$55 per person. For more info, please call Damiana Testa at (718) 746-6269.



***ST. ANTHONY NOVENA ---***

The Saint Anthony novena will begin on **Tuesday, March 13** after the noon Mass. The novena continues for 13 Tuesdays with a Mass in honor of Saint Anthony on the feast day, **Wednesday, June 13**.

Do something  
Extraordinary this Lent...  
join us at the  
Family Mass!



March 18, 2011 at 11:45am  
Homily: The Cross  
as a sign of God's Love for us

Remaining Family Mass dates:

April 1 (Palm Sunday), May 13 (Mother's Day) & June 17 (Father's Day)

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For more information on ways you & your family can participate in the  
Family Mass, please email [apetro621@verizon.net](mailto:apetro621@verizon.net)

***“The Journey, Cross and Crucifixion”***

On Monday, April 2nd, St. John’s University is hosting a live dramatic presentation of the Stations of the Cross performed by Creative Ministries. Experience the trial of Jesus, His Journey through the streets of Jerusalem, and His final moments on the cross.

***Monday, April 2nd at 8:00pm  
St. Thomas More Church  
St. John’s University  
8000 Utopia Parkway***

Information on St. John’s University and directions can be found at [www.stjohns.edu](http://www.stjohns.edu).

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**30th ANNUAL PAX CHRISTI METRO NEW YORK**

***Way of the Cross***

*The Way to Peace*



*April 6th, 2012  
47<sup>th</sup> Street at First Ave.  
8:30 AM*

Join with over 5 00 people in the largest public Christian peace witness in New York City. The Good Friday Way of the Cross is a modern-day enactment of the Stations of the Cross, praying for peace and justice on the streets of our city. Reflect with us ‘How do I do for others what Jesus is doing

for me? How am I called to live in this world?’ The Walk will take place from 8:30 AM to 12:00 noon on Good Friday, April 6th. We begin at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza (47th Street at First Avenue) and proceed along 42nd Street to between Eighth and Ninth Avenues.

***PLEASE WEAR OR CARRY A CROSS***

The Good Friday Way of the Cross is organized each year by Pax Christi Metro New York, a regional section of Pax Christi, the international Catholic movement for peace. For further information about our work, please contact us at 371 Sixth Ave., New York, NY, 10014; 212-420-0250; [nypaxchristi@igc.org](mailto:nypaxchristi@igc.org); or [www.nypaxchristi.org](http://www.nypaxchristi.org).



### **SPECIAL SAINT JOSEPH MASS IN ITALIAN ---**

Monday, March 19th is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In addition to the regular parish Masses in English at 7:00am and 12:00 noon there will be a Mass in Italian in Honor of Saint Joseph at 7:00pm.

Before the Mass at 6:30pm there will be the blessing of a new statue of Saint Joseph and the child Jesus to be located in the parking lot across from the church. We wish to thank Luigi Romano for the donation of the statue in memory of his son Giuseppe and his loving wife Rosa.

Join us for both the blessing of the statue and the celebration of Mass in honor of Saint Joseph and start a new parish tradition. If you wish you may bring bread to be blessed at this Mass.

### *Speaking of Traditions ---*

If any parishioner is setting up a Saint Joseph altar in their house and would like it blessed by one of the parish priests, please call the rectory.

### **MESSA SPECIALE DI SAN GIUSEPPE IN ITALIANO ---**

Lunedì 19 Marzo è la ricorrenza della Solennità di San Giuseppe, Sposo della Beata Vergine Maria. Oltre alla Messa regolare delle 7:00 del mattino e di mezzogiorno ci sarà anche una Messa in Italiano in onore di San Giuseppe alle 7:00 della sera.

Prima della Messa, alle 6:30, ci sarà la Benedizione della statua di San Giuseppe e del Bambino Gesù che sarà, dopo, posta nel parcheggio di fronte alla Chiesa.

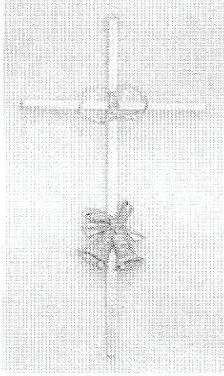
Vogliamo ringraziare Luigi Romano per la donazione della statua in memoria del figlio Giuseppe e della moglie Rosa.

Unitevi a noi per la Benedizione della statua ed a celebrare l'Eucarestia in Onore di San Giuseppe cominciando così una nuova tradizione della nostra parrocchia.

### *Parlando di Tradizione ---*

Se qualche parrocchiano di San Luca prepara l'Altare di San Giuseppe in casa, e vorrebbe farlo Benedire da uno dei Sacerdoti, è pregato di chiamare la Rettoria.





Please Join us at the Annual

# Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, PhD., D.D.,  
Celebrant

Saturday, April 28, 2012  
11:00 AM

Our Lady of Angels Church  
7320 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209



All couples celebrating their Anniversary

**25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and above**

Are invited to attend with their families.

This is a beautiful celebration of love and commitment.

All couples will receive a personalized certificate  
and will have their picture taken with the Bishop.

There will be light refreshments following Mass.



If you have any questions regarding this celebration,  
please contact the Office of Faith Formation at 718-281-9540.



**MASSES IN HONOR OF ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK**



The month of March celebrates two great saints of the church - Saint Patrick - March 17th and Saint Joseph - March 19th. Devotion to the saints reminds us of the universal call to holiness for all Christians. Each of us is called to holiness. As we seek the intercessions of the saints - we pray that we might imitate their goodness and virtue.

***Special Masses in Honor of Saints Patrick and Joseph will be held here at Saint Luke:***

**Saint Patrick, March 17th Mass** will be celebrated at 8:30am. Refreshments will follow in the School Hall. Parishioners are invited to bring their homemade goodies - including soda bread - to the hall before Mass.

**Saint Joseph, March 19th Mass** will be celebrated at 7:00am and 12 noon. Refreshments will follow after the noon Mass in the School Hall. A Mass in Italian will be celebrated at 7:00pm with refreshments to follow in the School Hall.



**FIRST PENANCE --- TO BE CELEBRATED**

As part of their preparation for First Holy Communion, the boys and girls in our school and Religious Education Program will receive the Sacrament of First Penance (Confession) during the Season of Lent. Please keep the boys and girls in your prayers.

Three special Penance Services will be held on:

March 3 - St. Luke School

March 10 - Religious Education Program

March 17 - Religious Education Program

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***SPEAKING OF CONFESSION ---***

***When was the last time you went to the Sacrament of Penance?***

What a great gift to experience the love and mercy of God in this sacrament. Jesus so often spoke of God's love for us especially for the sinner.

The Sacrament of Confession is held every Saturday from 3:30pm to 4:30pm in the church. **AND** don't forget **Reconciliation Monday - April 2nd** - when the Sacrament will be available throughout the day in all the churches - including St. Luke - of the Diocese. Please consult the bulletin for additional details.



# "Fashion in Bloom"

Saint Luke School Fashion Show Committee  
Cordially invites you to attend our  
6th Annual Ladies Fashion Show

Friday, April 20, 2012  
7:00 P.M. - Midnight

Terrace on the Park

Grand Ballroom  
52-11 111<sup>th</sup> Street  
Flushing Meadows Park, New York

Enjoy an evening of  
Good Company, Great Food, Music,  
Dancing, Fabulous Raffle Prizes and  
Beautiful Fashions Provided by  
Dress Barn & Carina Boutique

Cocktail Hour, Full Buffet Dinner,  
Open Bar, Coffee & Desserts

\$70 Admission per Person

"Fashion in Bloom" St. Luke 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Fashion Show  
A Response is Requested before **March 27, 2012**



Return this slip and money to St. Luke School Attn: Fashion Show Committee or call 718 746-3833 to arrange for pick up.

Name and Guests seating at table \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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(Make all effort to arrange tables of 10 people) Note: If your party is smaller than 10 persons, you will be seated with other guests.  
If needed, arrangements can be made for larger tables - kindly call or email Adriana 718 309-4778; email stlukecommittee@aol.com

Number of Persons Attending \_\_\_\_\_, Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Tel #: \_\_\_\_\_

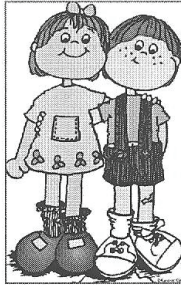
\*\* No Tickets will be issued. Check in at door is required. Make check payable to St. Luke School. Thank you for your support. \*\*



**ST. LUKE SCHOOL**  
**WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET**  
718-746-3833      [www.slswhitestone.org](http://www.slswhitestone.org)

***SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
NOW AVAILABLE FOR ST. LUKE SCHOOL  
FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR***

For more information, go to [www.psas.org](http://www.psas.org)  
For questions please call 866.424.6443 or email [twintering@psas.org](mailto:twintering@psas.org).



**Great News!!**

St. Luke School  
is pleased to announce  
the opening of a

***Full Day Nursery Program***

beginning September 2012.

(8:15AM—2:15PM)

Afterschool Program also available

For more information, please call 718-746-3833

**Mardi Gras Art Workshops**

Mrs. Fabregas and Ms. Marchese held an Art Workshop in February bringing the excitement of celebrating Mardi Gras to our school by making feathered masks. The second and third graders had so much fun making their own Mardi Gras Masks and walking around with them.



***A THANK YOU TO THE YOUTH GROUP ---***



***P.S. 86K - The Irvington School***  
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***Mabel Sarduy***  
***Principal***

*Dr. Tina Moschella*  
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*Ms. G. Rodriguez*  
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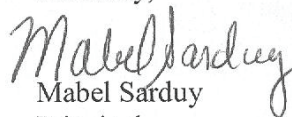
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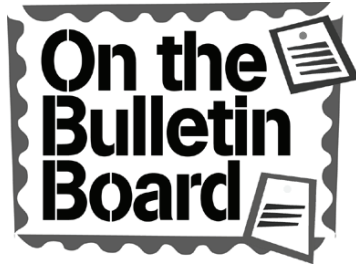
Saint Luke's Roman Catholic Church  
16-34 Clintonville Street  
Whitestone, New York 11357  
Rev. Vincent Chirichella

Dear Rev.Chirichella,

During this time of lent I recall the generosity your youth group exhibited during the Christmas Season. I received over 100 hats and gloves for our students who live below the city poverty index. Please give these youths my sincere gratitude. We were able to provide all of our Kindergarten classes as well as two special education classes' hats and gloves. This means more than you can ever imagine. Many of our students do not have the money to buy these necessities. This helped our students keep warm during the winter.

I look forward to continuing our partnership. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
  
Mabel Sarduy  
Principal



**ST. FIDELIS SCHOOL FUNDRAISER ---**

**First Annual "Oldies" Show featuring Vito Piccone and "The Elegants", Cleveland Still and "The Dubs", "Old Things New" and "Anonymous" ---**  
50s Doo Wop, 60s Music, Motown --- Saturday, March 24, 2012 at 7:30pm in the St. Fidelis School Auditorium. Tickets are \$40 each. Call (917) 733-0523 or (347) 237-0406.



**NEWS FROM POPPENHUSEN INSTITUTE ---**

**114-04 Fourteenth Road, College Point, N.Y. 11356**

**Springtime Youth Programs: Drama Class -- Art Class -- Guitar**

Start date: Saturday, April 7 (Programs run through June 30). Recital to be held in June for all youth programs. Contact info: poppenhusen@juno.com or (718) 358-0067.



**RACHEL'S HELPERS**

A Post-Abortion Healing Ministry ---

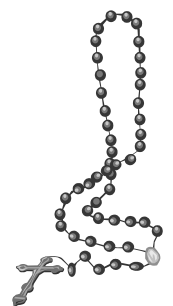
A program, *Forgiven and Set Free*, for women who have had an abortion and are seeking a spiritual healing from this experience. Small group, beginning Monday, March 12, 7:30pm-9:30pm. Confidential, bring bible, light refreshments, no fees. (718) 939-6646.



**ROSARY FOR LIFE ---**

**20th Anniversary Celebration - Sunday, October 7, 2012 - Gargiulo's Restaurant**

Please join us to commemorate twenty years of advocating and praying for the sanctity of all human life. For additional information, please contact Louis Pepe, Chairperson, at 646-773-4028 or Rosary for Life Headquarters (718) 377-6920.



**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

*Mon. - 2Kgs 5:1-5b; Lk 4:24-30*  
*Tues.- Dn 3:25,34-43; Mt 18:21-35*  
*Wed. - Dt 4:1,5-9; Mt 5:17-19*  
*Thurs. - Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23*  
*Fri. - Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34*  
*Sat. - Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14*

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:**

*JOSETTE TANZOLA*  
*JENNIE ROMANO*  
*ARTOURAS JAOUTAKAS*  
*ANTHONY TROTTA*  
*LOUIS FIAMMA*  
*ANNA IVERSON*  
*EDWARD MORLEY*

**AND FOR THE DECEASED:**

*HELEN LIVLANICH*

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**MEMORIALS**

The Altar Bread is given in memory of *MARIE RAUSCH* requested by her family.



*The Eucharist*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2012**

**Monday, March 12**  
**7:00 Robert Soderquist**  
**12:00 Santos Osvaldo Foca (1st Ann.)**

**Tuesday, March 13**  
**8:30 Giuseppina Petraglia & Angelo Polito**  
**12:00 Vincent Tierney**

**Wednesday, March 14**  
**7:00 Michael Iracondo (Anniversary)**  
**12:00 Patrick McGroary**

**Thursday, March 15**  
**8:30 James Sweeney**  
**12:00 Eleanor Born**

**Friday, March 16**  
**7:00 Marie Rausch (Birthday)**  
**12:00 Emilia & Karlo Jurasic**

**Saturday, March 17**  
**8:30 In Honor of St. Patrick**

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*Collective Intentions Mass ---*  
*The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 10th at 12 noon.*  
*At this Mass we pray for:*

**SUSAN SODANO**  
**GIUSEPPINA TARDUGNO**  
**MARIA DIGIORGIO**  
**CHRISTINA GORJA**

Jesus said, "Destroy this temple.  
I will raise it again in 3 days."  
The leaders did not understand.

Trace the dashed letters. Fill in the bubble letters.

The  
temple  
was in  
His  
body.

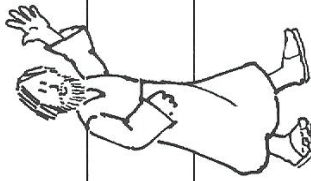
# Children's Worship Bulletin™



Ages 3-6

March 11, 2012 • John 2:13-22

Jesus Clears the Temple



Jesus went to the temple.

Help Jesus get to the temple.

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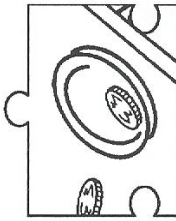
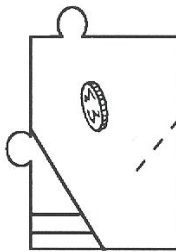
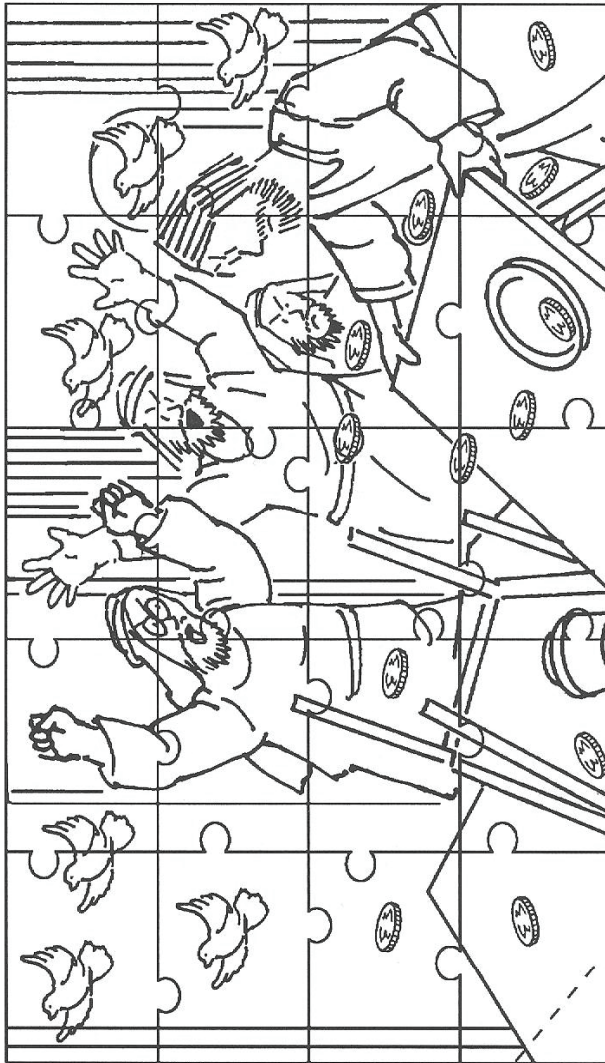
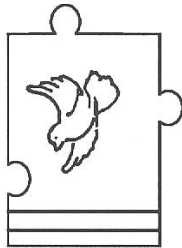
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Jesus was angry that people treated God's house like a market!

Match the puzzle pieces to the pieces in the jigsaw puzzle.



Count the doves and the coins in the center jigsaw picture. Circle the correct number of each.

Count the doves. 4 5 6 7 or 8 ?      Count the coins. 9 10 11 or 12 ?

