

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---



*Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.
(Lk 25:35-48)*

One of the great treasures of the Second Vatican Council (celebrating its 50th Anniversary) was the promulgation of the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" - the process of conversion whereby adults seek to follow Christ, receive membership in the Catholic Church and become sharers in the Paschal Mystery of Christ. Like so much of the "changes" resulting from Vatican II the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults was not new at all. Rather it was a rediscovery of the most ancient tradition of the church for the process of adult initiation into the church and the mystery of our salvation in Christ.

In fact, it is in this Process that the roots of Lent are to be found - forty days of spiritual preparation by the catechumens for reception of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. After years of formation what joy and excitement was to be found in those desiring to be numbered among the faithful.

And yet the process of Christian Initiation did not end with the Easter Vigil celebration. No - rather it was followed by a period of post baptismal catechesis or Mystagogy which lasted for fifty days - thus the roots of the Easter Season we now celebrate.

As the rite states: *This is a time for the community and the neophytes together to grow in deepening their grasp of the paschal mystery and in making it part of their lives through meditation on the Gospel, sharing in the eucharist, and doing the works of charity.*

Jesus also took time to help his followers grow in their understanding of the mystery of His death and Resurrection. In many ways Jesus helped them to enter ever more deeply the paschal mystery of our faith.

And so should this time be for us - a special Easter Time of joyful reflection of the Mystery of our salvation in Christ. Having shared the Season of Lent - how can we experience the Season of Easter new life? One suggestion: Come join us for ***A Night of Recollection*** with song, reflection and inspiration on the Topic of God's Mercy with Fr. Charles Mangano and his sister Laurie on Thursday, May 24 at 7:30pm in the church. See the bulletin for more details!

God bless.

Let us pray for one another,

Msgr. Tosi

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

April 15	\$14,647
Amount Needed	\$13,425
Envelopes Mailed	1,988
Envelopes Received	784



WHAT IS A

“HOME MISSION” DIOCESE?

Home mission dioceses in the United States - such as in the Deep South, Appalachia, and the Rocky Mountains - are characterized by a lack of resources to provide basic pastoral care (evangelization, religious education, ministry training) to their faithful. Home mission parishes often struggle with priest shortages, parishioner poverty, unemployment, difficult or isolated terrain, religious hostility, and other circumstances that impact the practice of faith. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal strengthens the Church in the United States by encouraging Catholic communities to support the home mission parishes. There are 88 home mission dioceses in the United States.

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. Often home mission priests and lay ministers require special training to attend to the unique needs of their faith communities. Your support is necessary for the success of these and other projects. *Please help strengthen the Church at home through your generosity to this Appeal next weekend, April 28 & 29.*

COME JOIN US ---

On Sunday, May 6th when we will honor Sister Catherine T. Reilly, O.P. for her many years of faithful ministry here at Saint Luke. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 11:45am to be followed by a luncheon reception in the school hall.

Please join us in our thanks to Sr. Catherine as she begins to enjoy the rewards of her goodness.

Msgr. Tosi

Thank You!

For the generosity of our parishioners toward the Holy Week and Easter Collections here in the parish. Starting with “My Easter Gift To The Church” and ending with the Easter Sunday Collection your support of the many collections is greatly appreciated. This goodness was not limited to the parish but extended to the Christians and Sacred Places of the Holy Land in the Good Friday Collection; and to the Senior Priests of the Diocese in the second collection on Easter Day!

The total contributed in each collection has already been published in the bulletin. Allow me to express my gratitude and deep appreciation. While the amounts given are truly awesome, what is truly wonderful is your constant love and generosity to the church and those in need.

God bless - and Happy Easter!

Msgr. Tosi

PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

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

<i>Baptism Sunday</i>	<i>Baptism Class</i>
May 20 & 27	May 21
June 10 & 24	June 18
July 8 & 22	July 16

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

**SENIORS GOLDEN AGE
SUMMER FESTIVAL**

Platzl's Brahaus- Pomona, N.Y.

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Time: 8:15am - Sharp!

Cost \$60.00

On arrival: Danish & Coffee

12 Noon: Franks, Burgers,

Sausage & Peppers, Corn on the Cob,

Salads, Watermelon

Beer & Soda ALL day

4pm: Sit-Down Dinner

Roast Beef or Chicken, Vegetables,

Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Tea

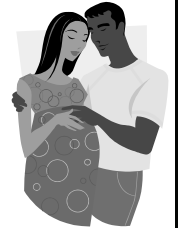
Fun Filled Day with Music, Dancing,
BINGO & Sports

Call Eileen at (718) 352-3902



**MOTHERS TO BE -
MARK THE DATE**

There will be a special blessing of Mothers to be (and dads too) on Mother's Day - May 13 - at the 11:45am Mass. All couples expecting a baby are invited to receive the blessing as we thank God for the gift of new life praying for a safe delivery and a healthy baby.



***Mark the Calendar - May 13th
at the 11:45am Mass***

Please call 718-746-8102 if you plan to attend - but come even if you don't call!

BAKE SALE ---

The Altar Servers will hold their annual bake sale on the weekend of April 29th.

All proceeds will go toward their trip to Six Flags/Great Adventure.



Why not stop by for some delicious home baked goodies? Let's show our support for these boys and girls who minister to our parish so faithfully.

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA ---

The Saint Anthony novena continues on Tuesdays concluding with a Mass in honor of Saint Anthony on the feast day, **Wednesday, June 13.**



CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS ---

With praise and thanksgiving to almighty God we are pleased to announce the ordination of

EDWARD GERARD RAMA
to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ
through the imposition of hands
and the invocation of the Holy Spirit
by Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli
Bishop of Paterson, New Jersey
on Saturday, May 26, 2012



Father Rama grew up in Whitestone and attended Saint Luke School. His family were long time parishioners and his brother still resides in Whitestone and has children in our school.

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Father Rama here at Saint Luke Church on **Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 11:45am**. A reception will follow Mass in the school hall. All are invited to join Father Rama and his family for this special celebration.

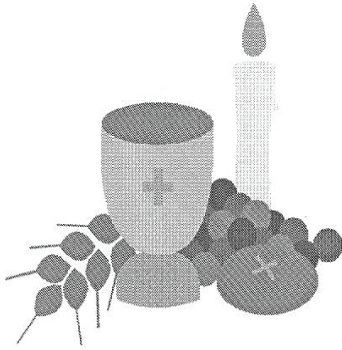
Please keep Father Rama in your prayers for many years of faithful and joyous ministry for God and for God's holy people in the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey.



The Saint Luke Youth Group has collected 100 bags of Care Kits! Do you have a family member serving overseas? We would love to send the kits to their troop.

Please call the rectory with name, number of troop, contact person phone number and address where we can send Care Kits.





**MASS OF ANOINTING
SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012**

**AT
1:00PM**

A special Mass and Anointing of the Sick will take place at Saint Luke Church on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 1:00pm. A moment of grace and blessing for those among us who are in need of God's strength and healing in Christ for mind, body and spirit.

If you wish to be anointed or know someone who does, please fill out the registration form below or call the rectory at 718-746-8102.

A reception will follow in the lower church meeting room.

Dear Msgr. Tosi,

I request that I be given the Sacrament of the Anointing at the Mass on Saturday, May 19th, praying for the special help of God's grace.

Name _____ *Address* _____

Phone _____ *Signature* _____

**ALL CHILDREN BAPTIZED IN 2010 & 2011
TOGETHER WITH THEIR FAMILIES**

ARE INVITED TO

A MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Sunday, May 20, 2012

at 1:00pm



We rejoice in the recent birth and baptism of your child here at Saint Luke Church. Your child has become a new creation and has been clothed in Christ.

It is with great joy, therefore that we invite you to a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 1:00pm with all the children baptized in 2010-2011 together with their families.

I do hope you will be able to bring your child and join us for so special a celebration. A special blessing will be given the children – and the parents. Please feel free to invite the godparents as well. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will follow in the lower church.

If you are able to attend, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket on Sunday or at the rectory. You can call the Rectory as well at 718-746-8102.

We look forward to sharing this day with you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi
Pastor

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING
SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2011 AT 1:00PM**

Child's Name _____

Parents' Names _____

Number of People Attending _____

Saint Luke's Carnival

It's coming and we need your help!

VOLUNTEER REQUEST

for the

ST. LUKE'S CARNIVAL

CARNIVAL DATES:
June 6th - 10th
2012

Volunteer Meeting

MAY 7th

7:30pm

St. Luke's School Hall

*Be part of the community and parish
and help us make this a great success!*

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If you are interested in volunteering for the Carnival please fill out the this section, cut it out and return it to St. Luke's Rectory.

For more information contact the St. Luke's Rectory at 718-746-8103

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

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Saint Luke's Carnival



Saint Luke's School Yard

Wed - June 6th - 5:00pm to 10:00pm
Thurs - June 7th - 5:00pm to 10:00pm
Fri - June 8th - 5:00pm to 10:00pm
Sat - June 9th - 2:00pm to 11:00pm
Sun - June 10th - 2:00pm to 10:00pm

ENTERTAINMENT
LIVE BANDS

FOOD AND DRINKS
CAFE

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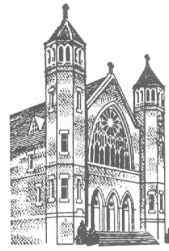
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The Campaign for Saint Luke "Serving the Present; Building the Future" has now raised in pledges:

\$3.084,751

Campaign Happenings

1. Campaign statements were recently mailed to campaign supporters who indicated a desire for monthly payments. Now that the computer program is up and running statements will soon be sent to pledge givers who indicated other payment schedules. Thank you to those who have sent in pledge payments. This ongoing support is most important to the financial stability of the campaign.
2. Work has begun in two areas:
 - (a) As part of the convent demolition work was done on water mains:
 1. disconnect present water main to the convent. Since the church received its water supply from the convent this necessitated
 2. Installation of a new water main to service the church.Both projects were completed last week!
 - (b) Last Thursday the company of Acheson Doyle Partners Architects begin the preparatory work necessary to formulate the scope of work to be put out for bids. This process will last a number of weeks to be followed by a bid period - all before actual work begins.
3. Designs are in the works -
 - (a) for the lower church's conversion into much needed meeting room space by all parish groups including both the school and Religious Education Program. And
 - (b) for the main church - painting; relocation of the Tabernacle; replacement of broken baptismal font and other needed liturgical enhancements - for example new lighting. A committee has been formed to work with the two liturgical consultants formulating possible designs.
4. Pledges - you can still make your pledge and become part of this historic parish campaign. Thank you to our campaign volunteers who continue to make phone calls to encourage and assist parishioners in making a pledge.
5. Brochures have now been sent to all Saint Luke School parents encouraging their support of the campaign which hopefully will directly benefit their children. While over 3,000 brochures have been sent to our school's alumni seeking their financial participation.

And as always thank you to all who made a pledge or gift to the Campaign. Your generosity is the cause of great hope!

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

3rd Annual Saint Luke's Golf Outing

at

Clearview Golf Course

Cocktails & Dinner at Valentino's on the Green



Sponsored by

The Saint Luke's Athletic Association (SLAA)

Date: Friday, June 29th 2012
Time: 12:00 PM
Tee Time: 1:00 PM
Format: 2-Person Scramble



For more information and a registration form please visit our website
at www.slaacyo.org or call the St. Lukes Rectory at 718-746-8103

A NIGHT OF SONG...

A NIGHT OF REFLECTION...

A NIGHT OF INSPIRATION...

A NIGHT OF RECOLLECTION



FATHER CHARLES MANGANO & LAURIE MANGANO

-- Hosts of Telecare's God is Good and a Dynamic Brother and Sister Singing Duo --

For an Uplifting Night Filled with Reflection and Music as They Present Songs from their Popular CDs and Share Inspirational Scripture Passages that Transform, Inspire and Re-Energize God's People

JOIN US THURSDAY, MAY 24TH

from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Church

Topic: Mercy – Saturate your Soul through the Beauty of Scripture & Song Reflecting on the Works of Mercy with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

At St. Luke's, 16-34 Clintonville Street, Whitestone, NY (718-746-8102)

call **631-218-0806** or visit www.MaterDeiMusicMinistry.org

LENTEN EGGS

In the spirit of the Lenten/Easter Season, Mrs. Kenny's 3-day nursery class created their own Lenten eggs. After reading a picture book that told about the Easter story and a class discussion about God's love for us, each child was asked to think of something special they could do during this beautiful season to be more like Jesus.

The answers were absolutely beautiful, ranging from "I can hug my mom" to "I can play nicely with friends on the new playground outside." Since they cannot write, we wrote their answers on the egg but each child got to decorate the other side of the paper egg with paint and glitter.

The colorful paint represents the rainbow of love that Jesus has for each of us, and the glitter represents the sparkling light that Jesus brings into each of our lives.

Even though these children are still so young, through this lesson and activity they really demonstrated how important Jesus is in their lives and how much they are learning about God, both at home and here at St. Luke's School!



OUR NEW PLAYGROUND!

On a recent spectacular spring day, Mrs. Fabregas and Mrs. Pappalardo's Nursery Classes had the privilege of being the first to do a test run of our brand new playground, dedicated to the Sisters of St. Dominic. Located at the corner of 17th Avenue and Monsignor Dillon Place (formerly the teachers parking lot) the Dominican Playground is ready for our school children to enjoy. Many thanks to Monsignor Tosi and Mrs. Reiter for the wonderful addition to our school grounds.



**The children LOVE
their new playground!**





Even Monsignor got to try out the new slide!



Supermarket Blingo

Supermarket Blingo was a fun filled night for everyone!
It was nice to see our school parents and parishioners enjoying an evening out, playing bingo, winning bags full of groceries, raffle prizes and enjoying refreshments served by our "7th grade volunteers".

St. Luke's School thanks the following merchants for their generous donations:

Amore Pizza	AVL Woodworking
Caffe Rustico	Cascarinos of College Point
Cavo' Restaurant	Cherry Blossom Soaps
Clinton Restaurant	Fitzpatrick Academy of Irish Dance
Hair Trap	Intercession
Ital-Stone and Granite	Dr. Daniel Levitt, DDS
Marino Brothers	McDonald's
Pizza Chef	St. Luke's Athletic Association Terrace Inn
Whitestone Pharmacy	White Point Cleaners
	Win Stuff/Good Stuff

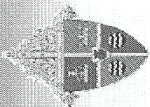
A special thank you to our 5th Grade Parents who worked hard to make this event a success:

Christine Slattery

Sherry Alarcon	Rosetta Bartolotta
Loretta Colak	Kristine D'Onofrio
Don Hanson	Stacey Katakalides
Dina Keszthelyi	Susan Loccisano
Josephine Lopez	Anna Mooney
Daisy Mones	Sandra Paolo
Amber Papadopoulos	Mary Pedote
Mary Smith	

And our young student helpers:

Angelo & Christopher Bartolotta
Michael Loccisano
Matthew Paolo
Luke & Alexis Papadopoulos
Sean & Nora Slattery



An Opportunity for Young Men to Learn More About the Priesthood...

Our next Project Andrew will be on:

SUNDAY
MAY 6, 2012
at 5:00 PM

**Join Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio
and other priests** and seminarians
from the Brooklyn Diocese for an afternoon
of prayer, dinner and conversation.

Take this opportunity
to find out why these men
answered the call of Jesus
to "Come, follow me..."

PROJECT:
ANDREW

Location:
**The Pope John Paul II
House of Discernment**
341 Highland Boulevard
Brooklyn, NY 11207



For more information or to RSVP, contact:

Fr. Kevin Abels, Vocation Director

Phone: 718-827-2454 **Email:** vocations@diobrook.org

Web: www.BrooklynPriests.org

PROJECT MIRIAM - The Vocation Office is offering women (ages 17-45) the opportunity to learn more about religious life by attending an evening of prayer, reflection and conversation with religious sisters from different communities. The next Project Miriam is on Thursday, May 3, 2012 from 7-9pm hosted by the Sisters of Charity at Resurrection-Ascension Parish (Fr. Feeley Hall; 85-18 61st Rd., Rego Park). Call 718-827-2454.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
Tues.- Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
Wed. - 1Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
Thurs. - Acts 8:26-40; Jn 44-51
Fri. - Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59
Sat. - Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

JOSETTE TANZOLA
JENNIE ROMANO
ARTOURAS JAOUTAKAS
ANTHONY TROTTA
LOUIS FIAMMA
ANNA IVERSON
EDWARD MORLEY
BABY OLIVIA GRACE BREEN
ROBERT BOLIVAR
SOFIA MONTELEONE

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

JOSEPH A. CANNONE
MICHELLE HUNG
NORAH JOSEPHINE SODERQUIST

MEMORIALS

The Altar Bread is given in loving memory of **JOYCE HASSENFRAZ** requested by Rose & Sal Damato.

The Altar Wine is given in loving memory of **ANTONIA TORRENZANO (33rd Anniversary)** requested by her daughter Josephine Turrisi.

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in loving memory of **GIUSEPPE VICINO** requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bullaro.



ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2012

Monday, April 23
7:00 Sister Ofelia Echeverry
12:00 Luigi, Ida & Salvatore Mangione

Tuesday, April 24
8:30 Fiamma, DeMarco, Costanzo & Tamborello Families
12:00 Michael & Giuditta Argenzio

Wednesday, April 25
7:00 Members of the Louis John Nicolosi Family
12:00 Lorraine Paolino (Birthday)

Thursday, April 26
8:30 Eich Family
12:00 Deceased Members of the Lauri & O'Connor Families

Friday, April 27
7:00 Carmine Rizzo
12:00 Gino & Cezerina Persic

Saturday, April 28
8:30 Deceased Members of the Sullivan & O'Neill Families

Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, April 22nd at 11:45am.

At this Mass we pray for:

FRANK & VIRGINIA MCGOURTY



ROSARY FOR LIFE ---

A Day of Retreat will be given by Msgr. Charles Fink, Director of Spiritual Formation at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY at Good Shepherd Parish, 1950 Batchelder St. & Ave. S, Brooklyn, NY 11229 on May 19th, 2012. The day will start at 8:30am (includes Mass) and end around 4:00pm with an opportunity for individual confession. All are invited. For reservations contact Wyn (718_377-6920) by May 16th at Rosary for Life, Inc., 3309 Avenue P, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Registration Fee of \$25 (which includes lunch) must accompany reservation.

15TH ANNUAL ROSE OF CARMEL BENEFIT GALA ---

Ozanam Hall of Queens Nursing Yome, Bayside, is delighted to celebrating it's 15th Annual Rose of Carmel Benefit Gala, honoring Rev. Msgr. Charles P. Boccio with the Rose of Carmel Award. This event will be held on Monday, May 14, 2012 at Russo's on the Bay. All proceeds to benefit the Ozanam Geriatric Foundation, assisting the Carmelite Mission of Compassionate Care for the elderly. For further information, raffles or tickets please contact Gail D. O'Donovan, Sr. Charlotte Michael, Kathleen Baratta in the Development Office at 718-971-2020, 2021 or 2022.

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY ---

St. John's University alumni and their families are invited to attend the Alumni Great Lawn Party on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 2-7pm on the Queens campus. The afternoon has something for everyone including rides, games, a DJ and a special Kiddie Zone. The price is \$25 for adults (free for children 17 years of age and under) and includes unlimited barbeque food, non-alcoholic beverages and access to all rides, games and activities. Make your reservations today by visiting www.stjohns.edu/greatlawnparty.

POPPENHUSEN INSTITUTE ---

114-04 Fourteenth Road, College Point, N.Y. 11356 - (718-358-0067)
Group Guitar Lessons (small group-very personalized instructions) Everyone has their own song to play - come and learn how to express yourself on the guitar. For ages 11-17.
Day: Saturday Time: 10-11am-beginners 11am- noon - intermediate
Fee: Special one time introductory price of \$120 for 12 one hour group sessions.
Contact: 718-358-0067 or poppenhusen@juno.com

Children's Worship Bulletin

Ages 3-6 April 22, 2012 • Luke 24:36-48

Jesus Helps the Disciples Understand Scripture

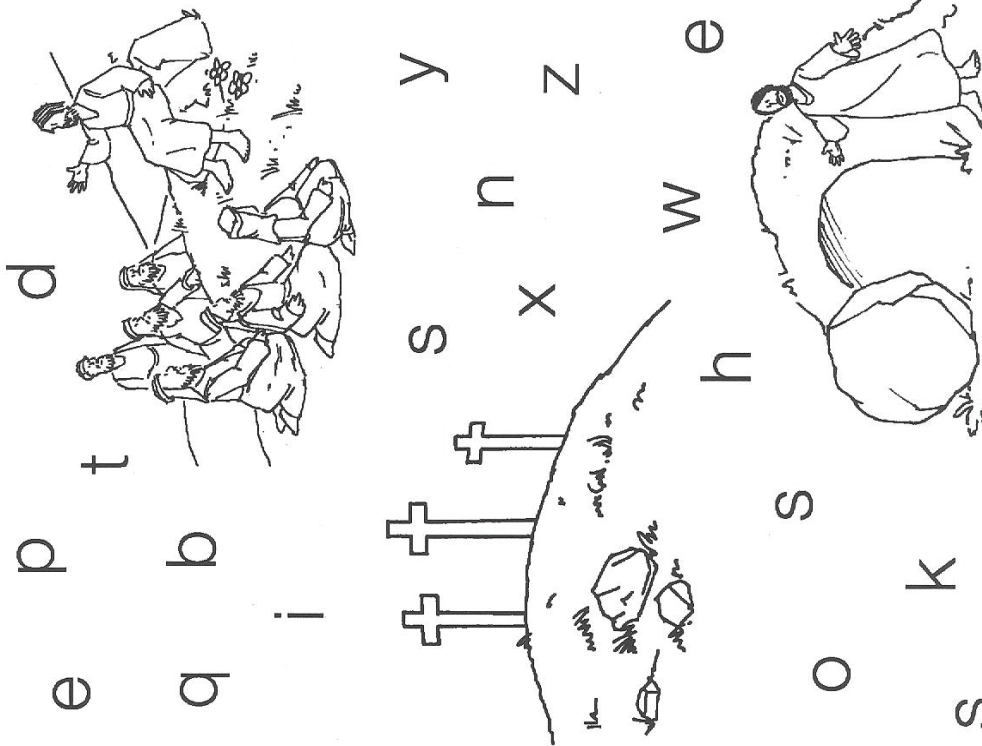
After Jesus died, He suddenly appeared before His disciples. They were frightened.

Finish drawing the frightened faces.



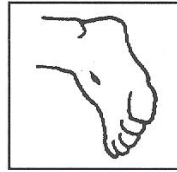
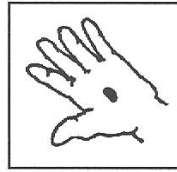
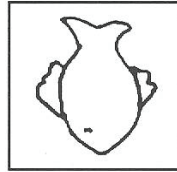
The disciples would see all these things.
They would be witnesses.

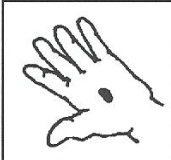
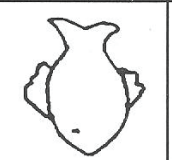

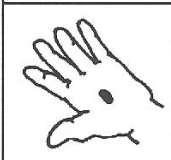
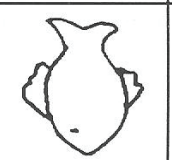
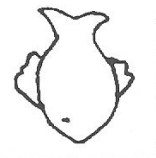
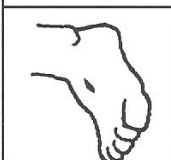
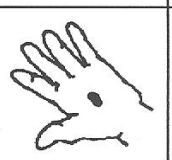
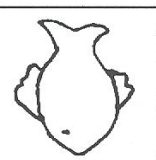

Circle the letters. witnesses



Jesus showed His disciples
His hands and feet. He ate a piece of fish.
Then they knew He was not a ghost.

Finish the pattern by drawing
the missing items in the boxes below.



Jesus told them about things
written in the Bible.

Match the pictures with their shadows.

