



**St. Mary's Catholic Church High Green**  
**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Year A**

As a Parish and Children's Liturgy team, we want to continue to provide Catechesis for our children in what is a challenging and worrying time for us all. We recognise that for many families the idea of a liturgy in the home is daunting, so we want to lay out something simple and easy to follow, similar to the Lent or Advent bags that come home from St. Mary's school. The format below is based on our Children's liturgy of the word sessions during Mass, so your children will recognise and help you along! Use it as a script or use your own words, maybe ask an older child to lead, hopefully you will grow in confidence as the weeks pass.

Stay well and safe. God Bless. *Clare Russell*

**Prepare your space –**

- It's ok to follow this through on your phone or tablet rather than printing, but remember to mute and turn off all notifications!
- Remove distractions from the room.
- Create a focal point – involve the children, use a cross, maybe made from stones or flowers, a bible.
- Find today's gospel in your bible, missal or online.
  - The shortened form is John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
  - Available online at this address, scroll to the bottom of the page.  
<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/032220.cfm>
- Prepare a candle and something to light it with.

**We Begin**

- Sign of the Cross
- Is there a hymn or song that the children particularly like?
- We light our candle to remind us that Jesus is present with us now as the light and hope of our world.

**We say sorry Penitential Rite**

Have our thoughts, words or actions hurt God?  
Have our thoughts, words or actions hurt other people?  
Have our thoughts, words or actions hurt ourselves?

*Pause for a minute of reflection*

Lord, by water and the Spirit you give us new life, Lord, have mercy. *Lord have mercy*  
Christ, by the cross you brought pardon and hope, Christ, have mercy. *Christ have mercy*  
Lord, by your death you brought peace to the sinner, Lord, have mercy. *Lord have mercy*

**Gospel Acclamation** (tune: Row, row, row your boat)

Praise, praise, praise the Lord, Praise our Father dear.  
As we listen to his word, feel his Spirit near

**Gospel**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. *Glory to you Oh Lord*  
*Read the Gospel as referenced above.*

The Gospel of the Lord! *Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ*

Today marks the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Our Gospel this week continues in John where we learn about the miracle of Jesus curing a blind man. At first, the blind man believes that Jesus must be a great prophet to be able to restore his sight. But after being questioned by the Pharisees and speaking with Jesus a second time, the man understands that Jesus is the Christ. Jesus proclaims to him that He is the light for the world. Jesus, and Jesus alone, can bring light to the darkness! Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Light!

Reflection taken from



**Intercessions** *(Feel free to use your own prayers)*

We pray for our world, for kindness and respect for each other.  
Lord in your Mercy. *Hear our Prayer.*

We pray for our leaders, that they have the wisdom to guide us through this uncertain time.  
Lord in your Mercy. *Hear our Prayer.*

We pray for our doctors, nurses and all who are working to deliver vital services.  
Lord in your Mercy *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for our Church community in this time of separation, may we grow stronger in Faith.  
Lord in your Mercy *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for our family, friends and our school community, who we miss and look forward to seeing again.  
Lord in your Mercy *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for our Mothers on Mother's Day.  
Lord in your Mercy *Hear our Prayer*

We ask our Mother Mary to pray with us and for us as we say Hail Mary.....

**Closing Prayer**

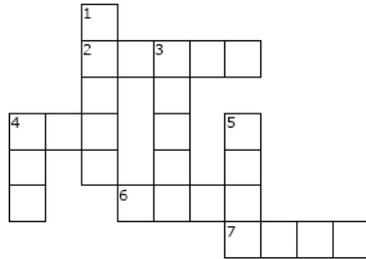
Loving Father  
Give us the courage to follow when we hear you call  
Guide us back to the path that leads to your kingdom if we should lose our way  
We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord  
*AMEN*

**Blessing** *(traditional Gaelic Blessing in honour of the feast of St Patrick this past week)*

May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

**Sign of the Cross**

# Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

2. Brightness that comes from the sun, candles, or electrical devices that allows things to be seen
4. An adult male human being
6. The two organs in your face which are used to see
7. To make someone well from a sickness or injury

## DOWN

1. Unable to see
3. Great admiration, honour and praise, especially as given to God
4. A sticky mixture of dirt and water
5. To clean something using water

LIGHT	BLIND	GLORY	MUD
WASH	EYES	MAN	HEAL



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# Children's Worship Bulletin

*To God Be the Glory*

John 9:1-41

## Word Search

S R E X T B S D W O R L D W T  
 R B P N H D E I A M B I R T H  
 I P R C E V R W G V X V S O L  
 L O P N I T D B R H V L R D Q  
 B K N E H U P O O L T I G E U  
 E I C G B A K M V X P G M L Z  
 S E I S L F A E P K A H W H E  
 R N I G I Q I O W A R T Y M V  
 F C Q D N D H Z S X E O O L P  
 X O U H D D G T I A N H T T K  
 L M P Z E Q K R L E T C R G C  
 P I W E W A S H O Z S S P I T  
 C C F E N W K J A U Q R O R Y  
 P Q D E U E K E M Q N B S H O  
 T N E Y E S D S E L A D M Z Z

BLIND	EYES	SPIT	POOL	WASH
WORLD	SINNED	SIGHT	NIGHT	BORN
HOME	MUD	LIFE	OPENED	LIGHT
SILOAM	PARENTS	RECEIVED	BIRTH	GROUND

## Multiple Choice

Enter the letter of the word that best fits the definition.

- \_\_\_ 1. Unable to see  
A. blind B. deaf C. lame D. heal
- \_\_\_ 2. An adult male human being  
A. woman B. girl C. man D. boy
- \_\_\_ 3. A sticky mixture of dirt and water  
A. sand B. play dough C. rock D. mud
- \_\_\_ 4. The two organs in your face which are used to see  
A. ears B. mouth C. eyes D. teeth
- \_\_\_ 5. Brightness that comes from the sun, candles, or electrical devices that allows things to be seen  
A. mud B. light C. wash D. blind
- \_\_\_ 6. To make someone well from a sickness or injury  
A. blind B. glory C. wash D. heal
- \_\_\_ 7. To clean something using water  
A. wash B. heal C. see D. light
- \_\_\_ 8. Great admiration, honour and praise, especially as given to God  
A. heal B. light C. wash D. glory

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Jesus heals a blind man. John Chapter 9

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