

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany (Year B) Sunday 31 January 2021

## **FAMILY RESOURCES**

# **JIGSAW PUZZLES**

**THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS Mark 1: 21-28**

### *This week's theme*

This week's theme is jigsaw puzzles and we think about Jesus healing, picking up our broken pieces and making us whole.

### *Extracts from the Gospel passage (Mark 1: 23-26)*

Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit,  
and he cried out,  
'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?  
Have you come to destroy us?  
I know who you are, the Holy One of God.'  
But Jesus rebuked him, saying,  
'Be silent, and come out of him!'  
And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions  
and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.

### *Gospel prayer*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you bring healing to the sick  
and wholeness to the broken.  
Look with mercy on our broken lives,  
so we may be made whole in you;  
for you are our God.  
Amen.



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### *Things to think about*

- Think about jigsaw puzzles you have completed.
- What is your favourite puzzle?
- How do you feel when you have lost a piece?
- How do you feel when you have finished a jigsaw puzzle?

### *Things to do*

- Play a treasure hunt game giving clues to places in your house or garden. Hide a jigsaw piece in each place. The jigsaw can only be solved when all the places and pieces have been found and collected.
- Make your own jigsaw puzzles by recycling old cards or magazine/comic pictures. You can make them harder by cutting the cards into more pieces. Perhaps you can cut the pieces into special shapes.
- Jesus is the missing piece jigsaw.

You will need: A downloaded and printed jigsaw template, colouring pencils/crayons, scissors



Print out a jigsaw piece template, there are many to be found on the internet.



On the back of the jigsaw template draw a cross. Now draw a large heart over the centre of the cross. You may wish to decorate the edges of your design too, I used a rainbow.



Colour in your design.



Carefully cut out the heart shape.



For a harder puzzle, cut out the jigsaw pieces.

For an easier puzzle for younger children, cut out bigger pieces – these don't have to be jigsaw piece shaped.

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Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to!  
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