

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD.  
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

YEAR B:

29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2021.

COLOUR: GREEN.

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY: 4: 1-2, 6-8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 14: 2-5

2<sup>ND</sup> READING: ST JAMES; 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27

GOSPEL: MARK: 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23.

PRAYER SPACE: Dear Parent's/Guardians, please prepare a green tablecloth. Crucifix, lead candle for safety, flowers, Bible. [preferably a children's bible, catholic edition] picture of washing hands, cups and pots.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION:**

In today's Gospel story we hear about the Pharisees, who are the religious leaders in Jesus's time and place. They noticed that Jesus's disciples were eating without washing their hands. They asked Jesus why Doesn't his disciples respect the traditions of the elders, and eat with unwashed hands.

Jesus tells the Pharisees that eating clean foods does not stop people from doing unclean things, like lying, stealing and cheating. Jesus then says that people lie, steal and cheat not because of what they eat, but because their hearts are 'far from God'. It is true that filling our bodies with healthy food helps our bodies to be healthier. But it is also true that filling our hearts and minds with God's Holy Spirit and love helps our hearts be loving and our minds be just. Then because our hearts are overflowing with God's love, there's no room in us for the fear that leads to lying, stealing and cheating. One of the results of following Jesus and doing what he taught is that we will be filled with God's love- which is what we'll then have to share with others.

By our actions, and words, we show people what is in our hearts.

**'CREATE IN ME A PURE HEART, O MY GOD'.**



**LEADER:** For the times we were selfish, and did not think of others.

**ALL:** Jesus forgive us.

**LEADER:** For the times we caused others to be upset and worried.

**ALL:** Jesus forgive us.

**LEADER:** For the time we did not share.

**ALL:** Jesus forgive us.

**LEADER:** For the times we did not speak the truth.

**ALL:** Jesus forgive us.

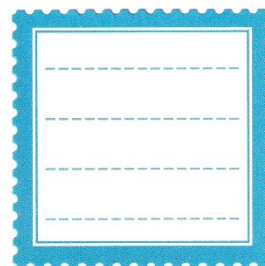
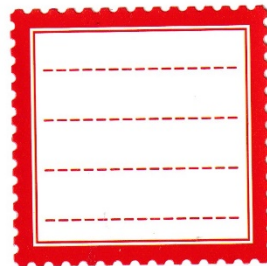
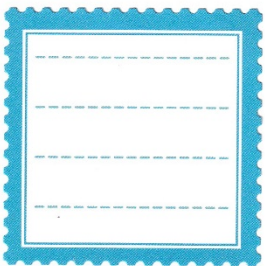
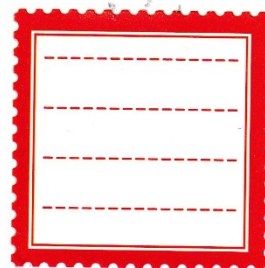
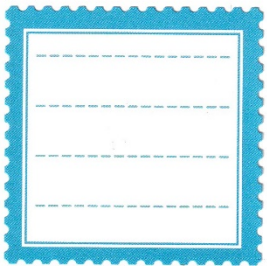
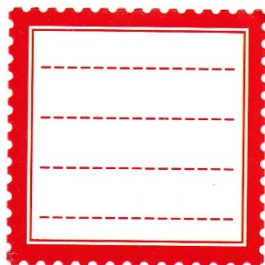
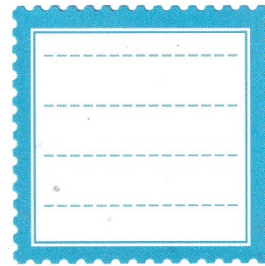
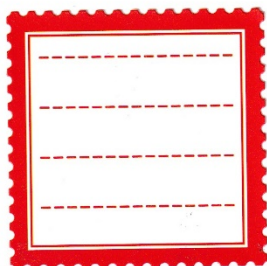
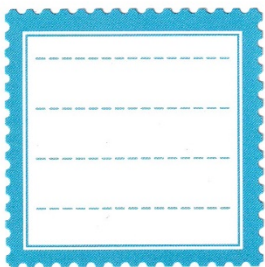
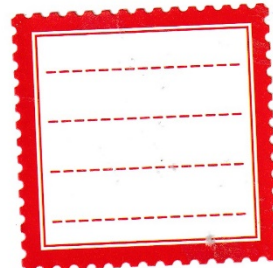
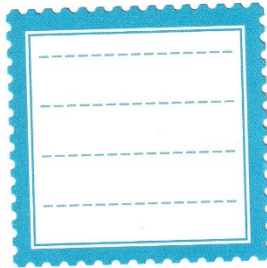
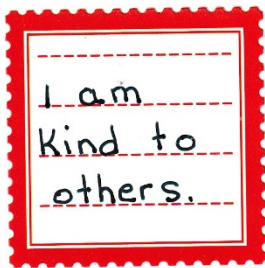
**LEADER:** For the time we were not forgiving and loving.

**ALL:** Jesus forgive us.

**PRAY:** Dear Jesus, thank you for forgiving us our sins. Help us to keep a pure heart so we can stop doing the wrong things, for we know that you can make our lives new and clean. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

WRITE ANY IDEAS YOU MIGHT HAVE IN SHOWING OTHERS THAT YOU LIVE  
WITH A PURE HEART.

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### **LACE DOILY HEART ACTIVITY.**

Dear Parent's/ Guardians, please assist your children with this activity.



## **LACE DOILY HEART ACTIVITY.**

### **MATERIALS NEEDED:**

Coloured construction paper.

Paper lace doily [ heart-shaped]

Craft glue, scissors, coloured ribbon.

Stapler and staples, glitter.

White paper, markers and crayons.

Hole Puncher.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Cut the construction paper in the shape of the heart lace doily.

Glue the doily to the heart shaped construction paper.

Punch a hole with the hole puncher on top of the heart lace doily.

Pass the ribbon through and tie with a knot.

Cut a small shape of a heart from the white paper, and glue it at the bottom of the main heart lace doily.

Children can write in their own words a short prayer on it.

Decorate the heart lace doily with glitter and markers or crayons.

Place activity in a place where your children can reflect on the words they have written on the small heart.