

# St Mark's Parish

Sunday 22 August 2021

## *We Choose to Follow Jesus*

WATCH  
TODAY'S  
YOUTUBE  
KIDS GOSPEL



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*Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18*

In today's first reading, Joshua told the people that they had to choose between the false gods and the true God. Joshua and the people chose to worship the true God.

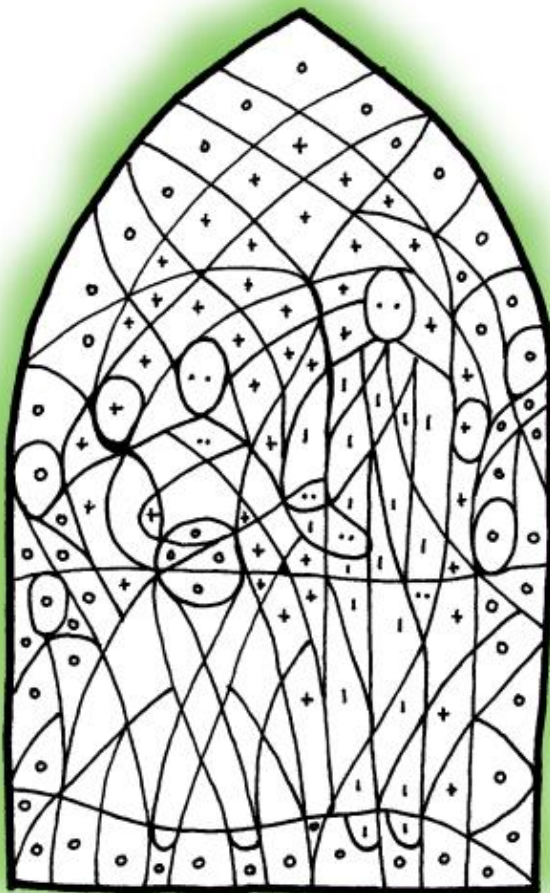
In the Gospel today we hear that many people stopped following Jesus because they couldn't understand what He was teaching. But the Apostles chose to stay with Jesus. Like Saint Peter said, they knew that He was the Holy One of God.



Do you ever have a hard time understanding what Jesus tells us? We need to be like the Apostles and choose to follow Jesus even when it's hard, especially when other people don't follow Him.



# Children's Liturgy



*Saint Paul tells us how much Jesus loves the Church.  
What does he say that Jesus and the Church are like?  
Use the colour code to colour the picture and find out!*

○ Red

┆ Black

✦ Blue

.. Skin colour

*Ephesians 5:21-32*

# The Apostles Stay with Jesus

## Word Puzzle

John 6:60-69

Unscramble the letters to fill in the blanks.  
Use the letters in circles to fill in the blanks at the end.



Jesus said to the

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [EVLWTE],

"Do \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [UOY] also wish  
to go away?"

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [NMIOS] Peter

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [WSNAREED]

<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [MIH], "Lord, to whom shall we

<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [OG]? <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [OUY] have the

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [DRWOS] of

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [TEENRLA]

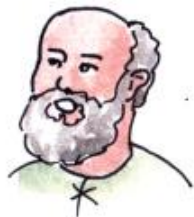
\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [FLIE]; and we have

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [VEEBILDE] and

have \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ [MCOE] to know that you  
are the

1 2 3 4    5 6 7

\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_"



# Saints Monica and Augustine

## August 27 and 28

ST. MONICA WAS BORN IN 332 IN NORTH-EASTERN AFRICA. SHE WAS RAISED IN A CHRISTIAN FAMILY BUT MARRIED A PAGAN. HE CONVERTED BEFORE HE DIED.

HER SON AUGUSTINE, HOWEVER, WAS AWAY LIVING A LIFE OF SIN AND DISSIPATION.

AUGUSTINE WAS VERY SMART BUT STUBBORN. MONICA PRAYED AND WEPT FOR HIM.

Take up and read!

FINALLY AUGUSTINE CAME TO BELIEVE IN THE TRUE FAITH.

HE LEARNED FROM THE GREAT BISHOP, SAINT AMBROSE.

Let's look at what Isaiah wrote here...

SAINT MONICA DIED AT AGE 55 WITH HER SON AUGUSTINE AT HER BEDSIDE.

Here we speak evil of no one.

AUGUSTINE BECAME A PRIEST AND BISHOP. HE WAS GENEROUS AND DEFENDED THE CHURCH'S TEACHINGS. HE WAS ALSO A GREAT PREACHER.

SAINT MONICA IS THE PATRONESS OF MARRIED WOMEN AND MOTHERS BECAUSE OF HOW SHE HELPED HER HUSBAND AND SON COME TO GOD. SAINT AUGUSTINE WROTE SUCH IMPORTANT WORKS THAT THEY ARE STILL STUDIED TODAY. WE CAN LEARN FROM THESE SAINTS HOW MUCH PRAYER CAN REALLY DO!



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