



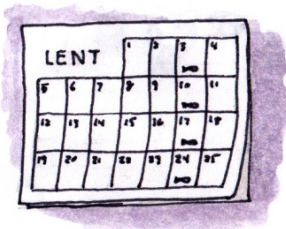
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8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday is the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday. Lent is a special time when we prepare ourselves for Good Friday and Easter Sunday.



If you go to Mass on Ash Wednesday, the priest will make a little cross on your forehead with ashes. The ashes remind us that people were made from the dust of the ground and that some day we will die and go back into the ground.

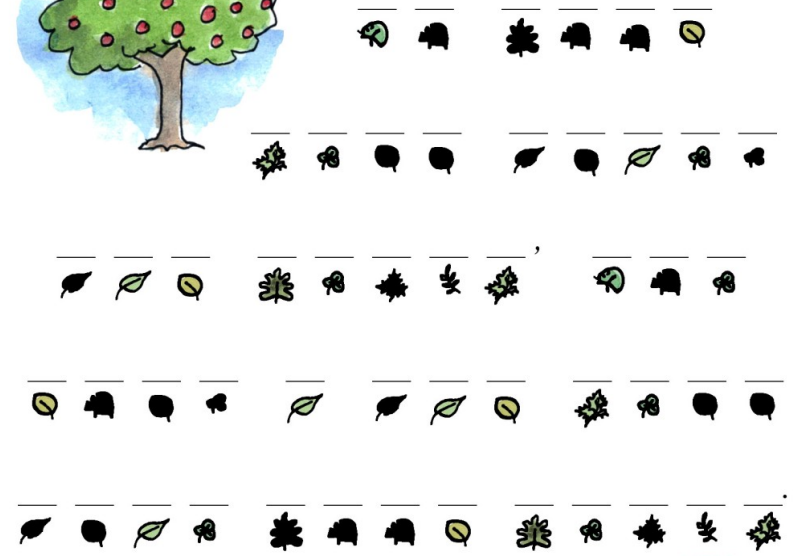
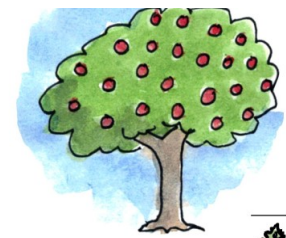
It is good for us to remember that we will die one day. It helps us realize that God put us here and that we need Him all the time. If we remember how much we need God then we will think of Him more and love Him more.



What is something you can do this Lent to remind yourself every day that you need God?

Answer to Front Page: No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Answers to Psalm 92: Unscramble: thanks, name, love, might, palm, grow, house, God, fruit, green, rock

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In today's Gospel reading Jesus told a parable about trees. What did He say? Use the code to find out!



A B D E F G I N O R S T U

Psalm 92 Unscramble

*Unscramble the missing words
to complete today's Psalm!*

It is good to give _____ (KNSHTA)
to the Lord,
to sing praises to thy _____ (MNAE),
O Most High;
to declare thy steadfast _____ (OVLE)
in the morning,
and thy faithfulness
by _____. (HGNTI)
The righteous flourish
like the _____ (LMAP) tree,
and _____ (ORGW)
like a cedar in Lebanon.
They are planted
in the _____ (UOESH) of the Lord,
they flourish in the courts
of our _____ (DGO).
They still bring forth _____ (UFIRT)
in old age,
they are ever full of sap
and _____, (ERGNE)
to show that the Lord is upright,
he is my _____, (KCRO)
and there is no
unrighteousness in him.



Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent. It is the day when we wear Ashes on our forehead to show GOD that we are sorry and will try to be better. Can you colour in the picture of the priest giving the little boy Ashes?



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