



Read the Gospel and Color



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Today, we celebrate the **Fourth Sunday of Lent**. We read from **Luke 13:1-9**.

In this Gospel reading, the tax collectors and sinners came close to Jesus to hear him speak. This caused the Pharisees and scribes – the holy men of Jesus' time – to complain. "Why would Jesus eat and speak with sinners?" they wondered. Jesus answered them with a story – the **Parable of the Prodigal Son**.

In this story, a man had two sons: one good and loyal, and one wild and ungrateful. The "prodigal" son asked for his father's money, left his home, lost everything and eventually decided to beg forgiveness and come home. When he did this, his brother – the good son who had always remained loyal – was disturbed at his father's immediate acceptance of the son who had made so many bad choices. The father answered him, saying, "*My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.*" Just as that son was welcomed home when he chose the wrong path in life and repented, we are forgiven when we express sorrow for the sins we commit in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

For More Fun:

- ✓ Read **15:1-3, 11-32** in your family bible. When you read the story of the Prodigal Son, with which brother do you identify? What would you do if you were their father?
- ✓ List the names of the saints whose lives we celebrate this week (available at www.CatholicSaints.info) _____
- ✓ Check out the new "**Chime Travelers**" Catholic fiction series for kids by Lisa Hendeby at <http://bit.ly/chimetravelers> & learn about the lives of the Saints!
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“Taste and see
the goodness of the Lord.”