

SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

NAME: _____

JOHN 2:13-25



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Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Lent. In the Gospel it is near the time of the Passover and Jesus goes with his disciples to Jerusalem. There he found the Temple - a place of worship - being disrespected. He told the people selling animals and other things to “Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!”

Jesus also spoke about his own death and resurrection, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” While the Pharisees and others thought he was speaking about the Temple where people go to worship, Jesus was actually talking about the Temple of his own body, where God dwells within Him. No one understood that on this particular day, but the disciples come to understand it after Easter Sunday and Pentecost when the Holy Spirit fills them with knowledge.

FOR MORE FUN

- ★ The first reading from the Old Testament is about the Ten Commandments! The Passover celebration Jesus goes to in the Gospel is also connected to the first reading, do you know how?
- ★ This Gospel passage is one of the few times that we see Jesus angry! Why do you think he was angry?
- ★ What are some ways that we show respect to God when we enter Church and attend Mass? List three things that you do when you walk into Church or when you are in church to show your respect.

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