SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary time Luke 15:1-32

Name:
This week we continue reading the Gospel of Luke, Jesus uses a number of different stories – parables – to instruct those listening to him about the mercy of God the Father. When Jesus walked the earth, people were labeled and judged as sinners; and as such, they were deemed “unworthy” to be in the presence of those considered “holy.” Jesus turns that all upside down in this parable! He tells all those listening that there is great rejoicing in heaven when ANY person turns away from sin and seeks forgiveness! This was a message of great hope to all those who heard him speak that day – and a message of great hope for us today too!

God our heavenly Father loves us unconditionally! That does not mean we can do anything we want – we are to follow the ten commandments and seek forgiveness when we struggle with something! Jesus tells us there is great rejoicing in heaven when any sinner returns to the arms of our Heavenly Father!

FOR MORE FUN

★ As Catholics, we are so lucky to have the Sacrament of Reconciliation! If there is something you are struggling with, ask your parents to help you receive this sacrament and be made new!

★ This week, we remember a number of martyrs in our Church! A martyr is a person who gave their life in service to the church, or because they did not renounce or deny their faith! Visit www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-cornelius/ to learn about Saint Cornelius and Saint Cyprian whose feast day Is Monday, September 16th.

★ This week, make a point to find a few minutes at the end of the day to review your day with Jesus! Ask him to show you where you could have been his hands and feet, eyes and ears – words spoken in kindness – to people in your life! “Jesus, I Trust in You! Help me to be the person God created me to be!”