SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

Third Sunday of Advent  Matthew 11:2-11
Today, we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent. We read from Matthew 11:2-11. In today's gospel passage, we read that John the Baptist was in prison because of what he had been teaching the people about Jesus. John sent his followers to ask Jesus an important question. Jesus reassured John's followers, telling them about all of the miracles he had performed, and that the people were learning God's "good news". Jesus had come to save all of us! Next, Jesus spoke to his own followers, telling them how special John the Baptist was, because he came to tell the world about Jesus' coming. John the Baptist was the special messenger - promised in the Old Testament - sent to prepare the way for the coming of our Savior - Jesus Christ! This week we celebrate that coming with great joy!

FOR MORE FUN

★ Did you notice what color the Advent candle is this week? The third week of Advent is called "Gaudete Sunday". The word "Gaudete" means joy! To symbolize this joy as we wait for our savior, we light the pink candle on our Advent wreath!

★ Are you interested in a fun book to learn more about the Nativity! Check out "The Strangers at the Manger" part of the Chime Travelers series by our own Lisa Hendey! This book is available on Amazon and is a great read for your entire family! Take the time to explore a different perspective of the very first Christmas!