

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ONLINE

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MARK 12:28-34

THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMAND

One of the teachers of the law came to Jesus. He heard Jesus arguing with the Sadducees and the Pharisees. He saw that Jesus gave good answers to their questions. So he asked Jesus,

"Which of the commands is most important?"

Jesus answered,

"The most important command is this: 'Listen, people of Israel! The Lord our God, he is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God. Love him with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' The second most important command is this: 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself.' These two commands are the most important commands."

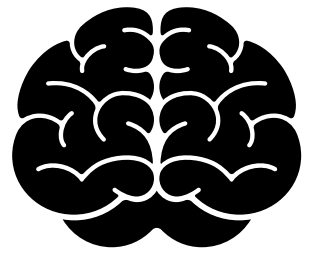
The man answered,

"That was a good answer, Teacher. You were right when you said these things. God is the only Lord, and there is no other God besides him. One must love God with all his heart, all his mind, and all his strength. And one must love his neighbour as he loves himself. These commands are more important than all the animals and sacrifices we offer to God."

Jesus saw that the man answered him wisely. So Jesus said to him,

"You are close to the kingdom of God."

And after that, no one was brave enough to ask Jesus any more questions.



QUESTIONS TO THINK ABOUT

What does Jesus say is the most important commandment?

What is the second most important commandment?

Jesus asks us to love our friends as ourselves. What do you think that means?

What can we do to show others that we love them as much as we love ourselves?

Dear God,

Help me to love you with all my heart, all my soul, all my mind, and all my strength and

help me love my friends and family as much as myself so I can be the best disciple of

God I can be.

ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY 1: HOW MUCH OF YOUR HEART?

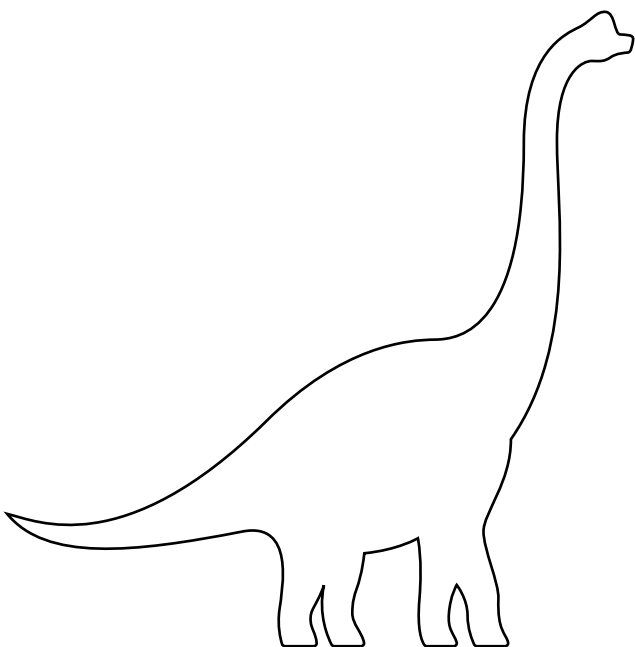
The Bible says you should love God with how much of your heart?

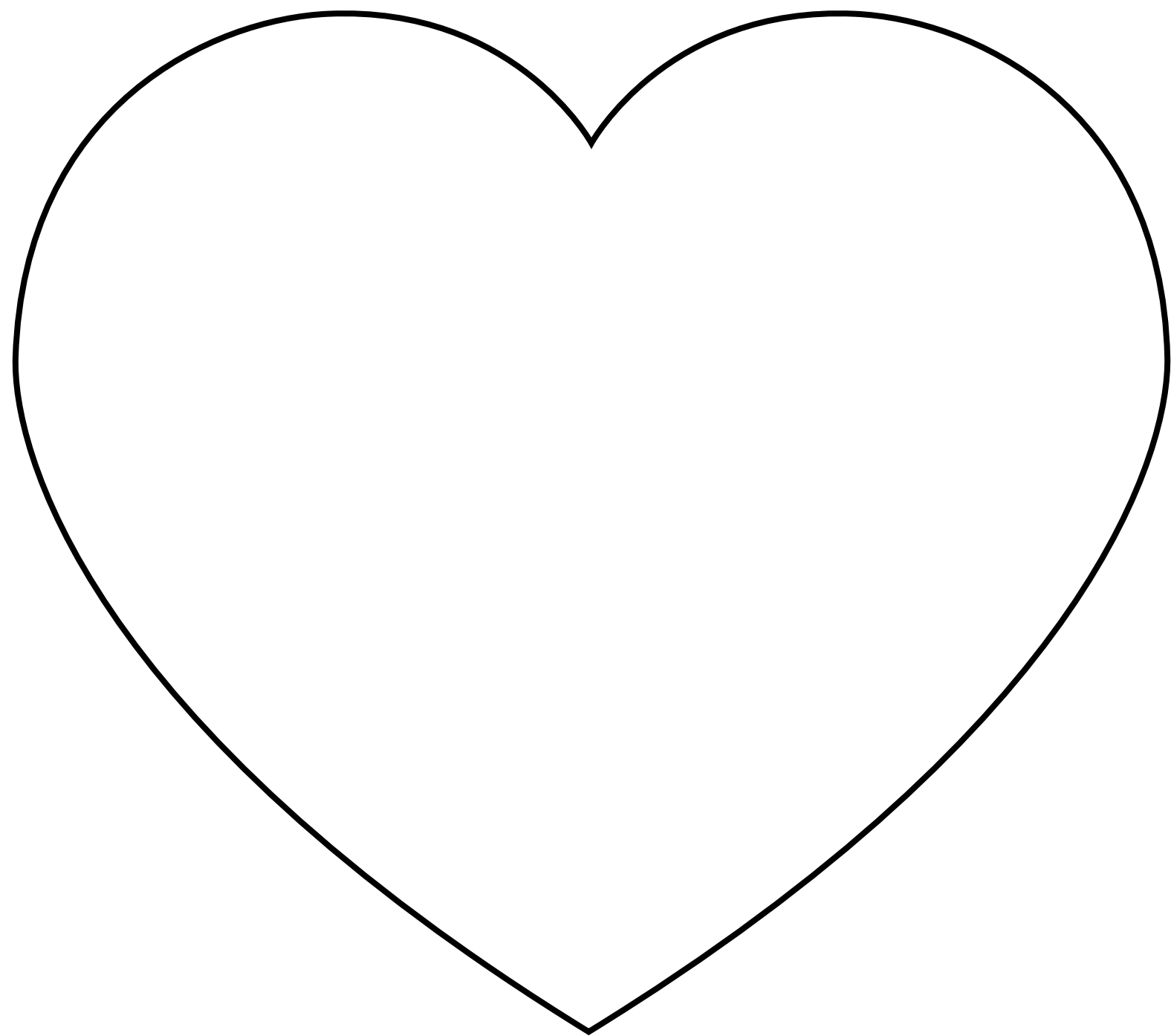
Colour in and decorate the heart to show how much you love Jesus with!

ACTIVITY 2: ALL SAINTS DAY

In the Catholic Church on the 1st of November we celebrate All Saints Day. It comes from the belief that there is a strong bond between those in heaven and us on earth!

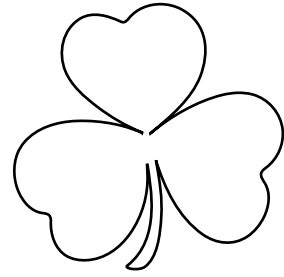
Can you match the Saint's names to their symbol?



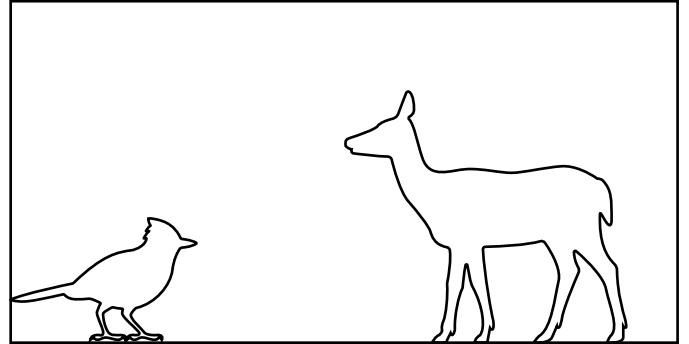


I LOVE GOD _____ %

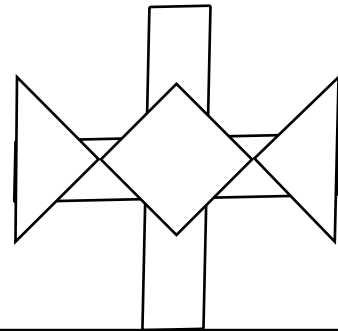
St. Francis of Assisi



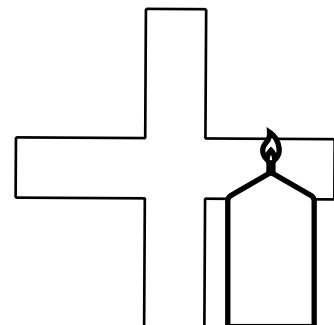
St. Patrick of Ireland



St. Teresa of Calcutta



St. Valentine



St. Mary Mackillop

