



Sunday 9 November 2025
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
John 2:13-22

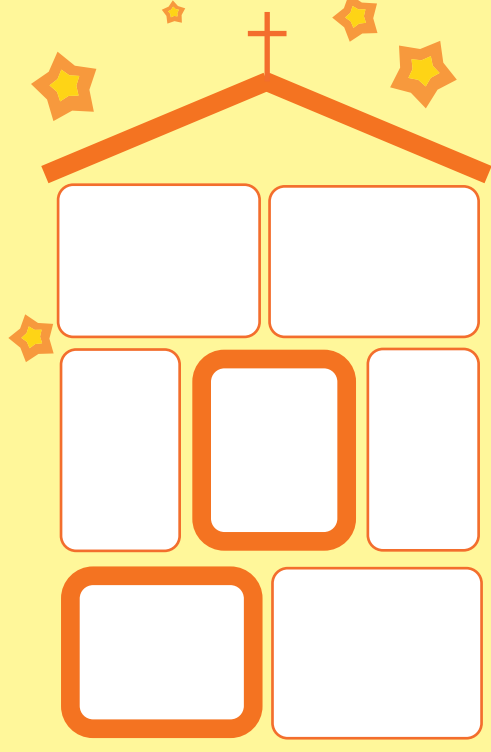
In the GOSPEL TODAY

LIVING STONES!

Living stones

We are all the church, we are the living stones that make up the Church.

We build the church when we share God's love. Draw yourself in one brick and your friends and family in the others!



Jesus chases the traders out of the Temple. He does not want the traders to be making money in a place of prayer. Jesus says that if the temple is destroyed, he will rebuild it in just three days! No one understands that he is really talking about himself!

Spot the difference



How are these words different:
"Church" and "church"?
Match them to the right picture.



God's **Church** is made up of all the people who follow Jesus.
The buildings where we worship God are called **churches**.

The Basilica of St John Lateran



Today is a special feast celebrating a special church in Rome. This ancient church was founded in AD 324. **That's over one thousand seven hundred years ago!** It is special because it is a h _ _ s _ (u e o) of G _ _ (do). **It has been rebuilt lots of times.** Add decorations to this picture of the **Lateran Basilica** to make it look even more special.

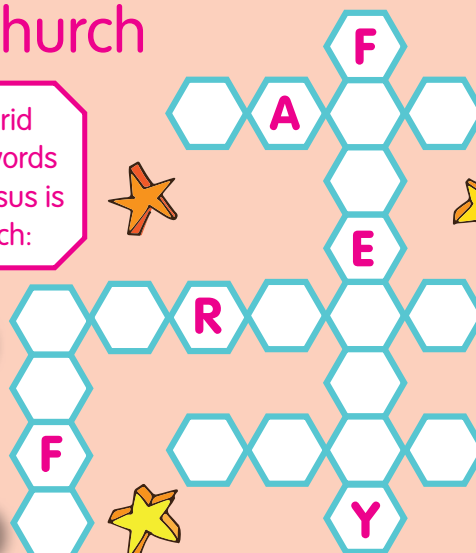
Like a church

Fill in the grid with these words that show Jesus is like a church:

STRONG

FRIENDLY

SAFE



The Temple was a beautiful building in Jerusalem where people prayed, like a special church.

HOLY

WARM

A PRAYER TO SAY

Jesus, help me to be a living stone. Help me to build your Church on earth by using my gifts and talents to help other people. Amen.

Answers: Spot the difference: the "Church" is the people, the "church" is the building. The Basilica of St John Lateran :House of God.