

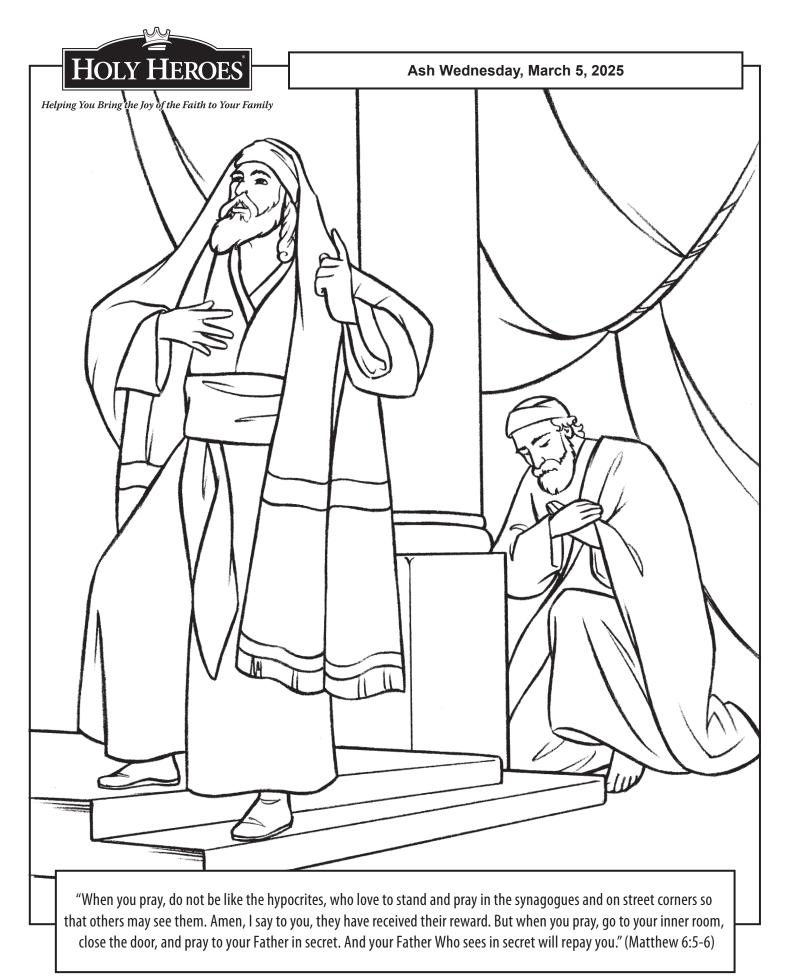
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, March 2, 2025

Helping You Bring the Joy of the Faith to Your Family



"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.

A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Luke 6:43-45)



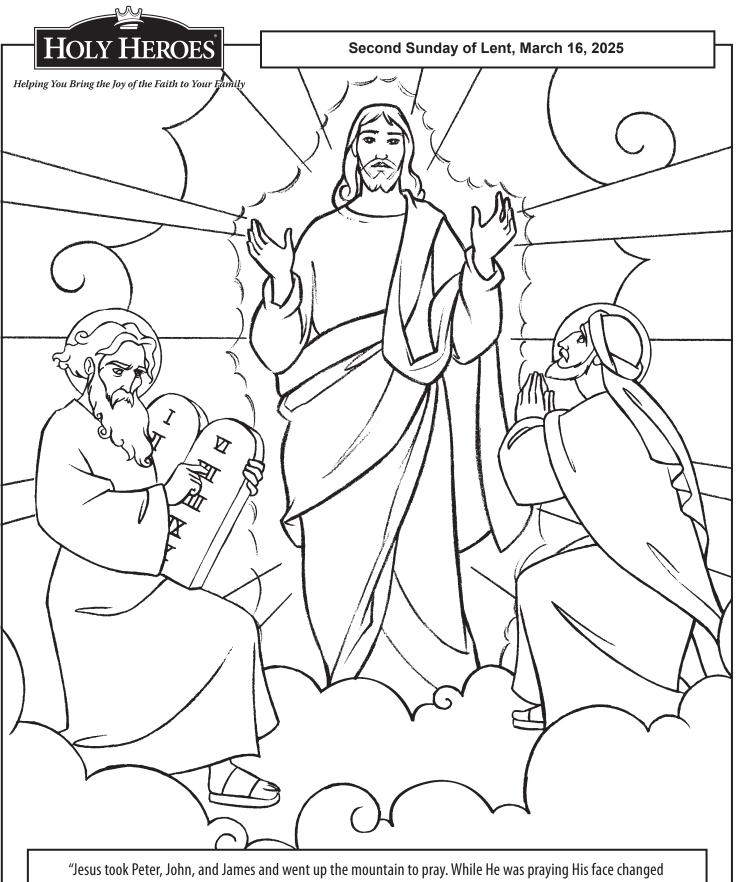


First Sunday of Lent, March 9, 2025



"Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over He was hungry. The devil said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.'

Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."" (Luke 4:1-4)



"Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While He was praying His face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His exodus that He was going to accomplish in Jerusalem."

(Luke 9:28b-31)



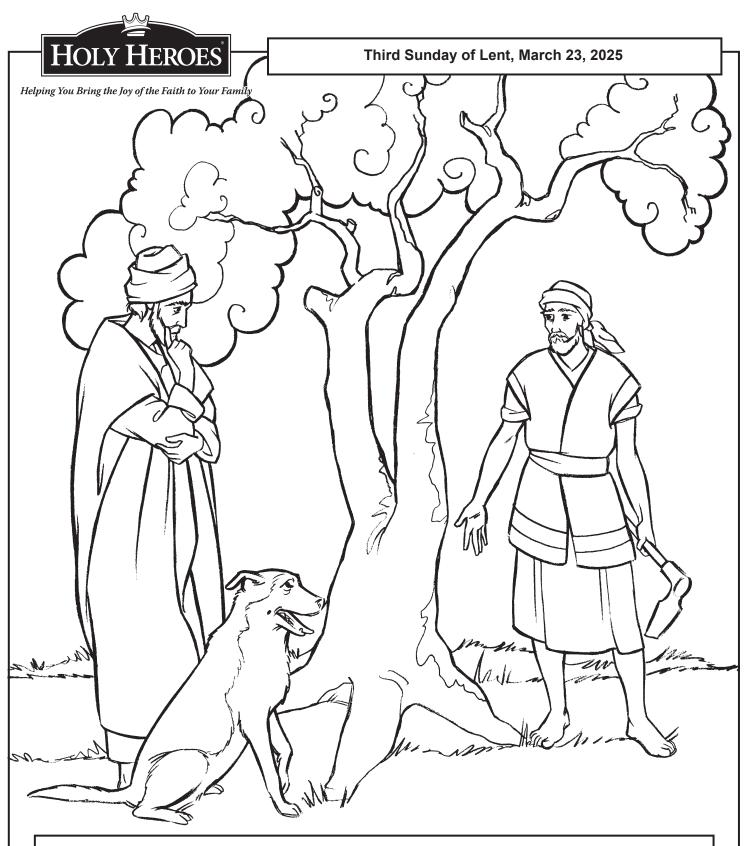
Saint Patrick, March 17



"Be merciful, just as [also] your Father is merciful. Stop judging and you will not be judged.

Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap.

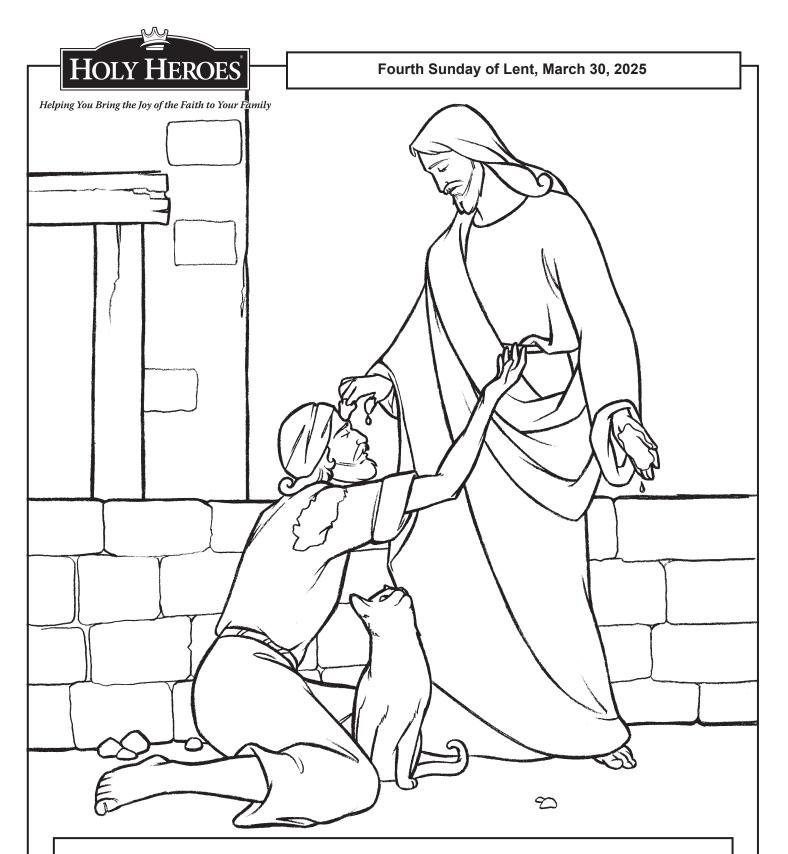
For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." (Luke 6:36-38)



"And He told them this parable: 'There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, "For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. [So] cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?"

[The gardener] said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down." (Luke 13:6-9)





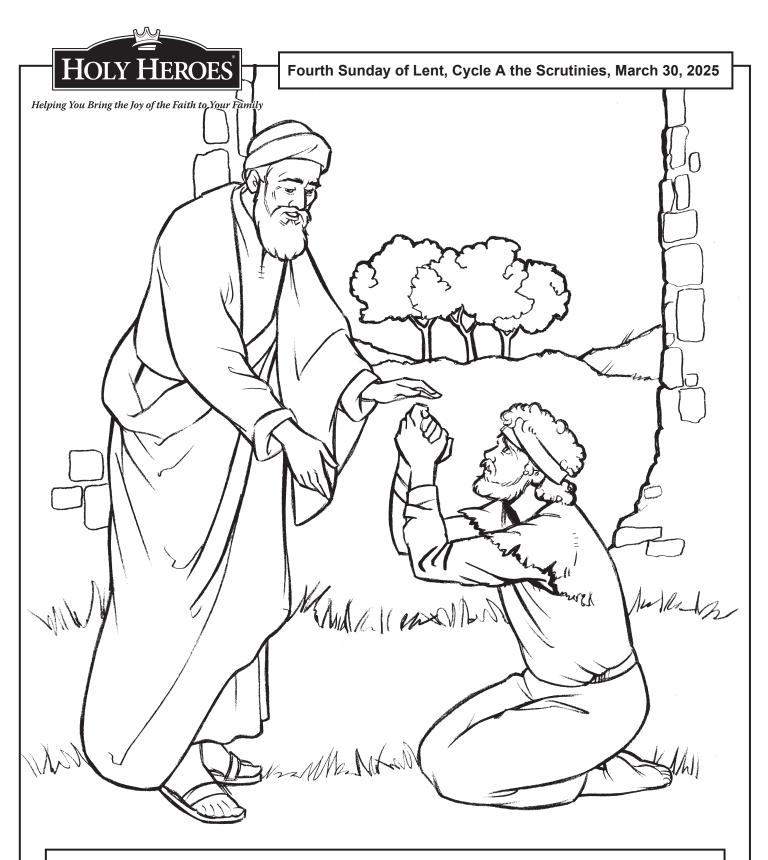
"As Jesus passed by He saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, 'Go wash in the Pool of Siloam' (which means Sent).

So he went and washed, and came back able to see... Jesus said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' He answered and said, 'Who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?' Jesus said to him, 'You have seen Him, and the One speaking

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with you is He.' [The man] said, 'I do believe, Lord,' and he worshiped Him." (John 9:1,6-7,35-38)



"[The prodigal son said] 'I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him... [The father said,] 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found." (Luke 15:18-19,20,23b—24a)