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EDITORIAL

Poor in Spirit

I feel blessed to have a spiritual mentor I meet every 3 months. Our time together, called 'eldering,' is filled with sharing, listening, and praying. Even though he's a global head in a big company with a very successful academic and career track, what stands out is his closeness to Jesus. He finds strength in daily Holy Mass and dedicates mornings to reading and reflecting on the Bible. Despite a busy schedule, he sets aside a day each month for a retreat. His commitment to spiritual matters amazes me, and the joy he radiates from living a God-first lifestyle is truly inspiring. Spending an hour with him brings so much happiness, and his humility and dedication to the Kingdom of God shine through despite his professional responsibilities and hectic schedule.

From his life, I've understood what the first beatitude means: *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven* (Matthew 5:3).

Being 'poor in spirit' doesn't mean thinking you're not valuable or capable. It's not about saying, 'I'm not worth anything' - that's false humility. 'Poor in spirit' means being the opposite of prideful. Like when King Saul wanted honour, his pride made him a slave, not a true leader. It's about being humble, not proud of ancestry, social status, nobility, or class. Blessed are those who aren't boastful.

We are called to be aware of our spiritual poverty and of our need for divine help. May this edition of *Kairos Buds* enlighten us in detail about the very first beatitude.

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Church of St Stephen

The Shrine of the Holy Miracle, Santarém, Portugal

- TRINA ISRAEL » 16 YRS » MANNHEIM, GERMANY

The greatest treasure we Catholics have is Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist. Even when our eyes see only a piece of bread, the consecrated host is the real body of Jesus. Several Eucharistic miracles bear witness to this truth and one of the most significant is found in Santarém, Portugal. In the 13th century, a poor woman had asked a witch for counsel, because she was jealous of her husband. The witch agreed to help her, but she wanted a consecrated host in return. First the woman hesitated because it is a sacrilege to misuse the Eucharist. On February 16th, 1266, the woman hid the consecrated host in her veil, after receiving communion in her mouth.



The host started to bleed. The woman was so afraid that she went home and hid the bleeding host in a box. That night she and her husband saw a radiant light and angels worshipping Jesus in the Eucharist.

That's when the great miracle happened: the host started to bleed. The woman was so afraid that she went home and hid the bleeding host in a box. That night she and her husband saw a radiant light and angels worshipping Jesus in the Eucharist. The couple then did penance and prayed for a long time in Eucharistic Adoration. The next morning after they told the parish priest, there was a procession from their home to the

church. The host bled for three days, and many people came to witness this great miracle. The Eucharist was first held in a wax container, but when one day the priest opened the tabernacle, the host was found miraculously in a crystal pyx. So, we see: God worked a great miracle amidst a seemingly bad situation.

Many years passed and there were few miracles where the host bled again, or people saw the face of our Lord Jesus in the host. Many saints also visited the church to pray before the Holy Eucharist. St Francis Xavier, for instance, visited Santarém before heading to his big mission trip to India. Today the church where the Eucharist is

still venerated is also known as 'the Shrine of the Holy Miracle'. On the place, where the poor couple lived, a chapel was built in 1684. Many pilgrims come to Santarém while walking the Way of St James towards Santiago de Compostela. Such miracles help us also to grow in our love for the Holy Eucharist and strengthens our faith that Jesus is present in a consecrated host.



THE BEST AND MOST BLESSED DAY OF MY LIFE

- CHRISTOPH THOMAS » 8 YRS » DUBLIN, IRELAND



'FINALLY, THE WAIT IS OVER!'

I couldn't believe it was my day to receive Jesus; I got super excited. All those seven years of waiting paid. Up to this day, I was mostly accompanied by my parents to church and I observed them closely at Communion. Every time they came from Communion, I would tug their shoulder and say, 'When can I receive Jesus?' Although I felt it took a long journey, when the day came I was both excited and nervous. Praying to Mother Mary helped me to prepare for the blessed day in my life.

HOW I PREPARED

Apart from my long wait, I had to memorise a lot of prayers but in the end, it was worth it. I thank God for the support of our priests, teachers, nuns, loving parents and relatives in preparing me.

THE DAY OF COMMUNION

At first, there was an entrance song. Then the priest welcomed us and our parish priest gave a small

speech. After that came lighting of the candles with the priests.

Next was Holy Mass and I received Communion from the bishop. Finally we had the Consecration to Mother Mary.

WHAT I FELT LIKE AFTER

I felt peaceful and happy. My mind was full of praise and my heart was full of love. It was one of the best days of my life, truly a blessed day.

WHAT DID I LEARN?

The 'Eucharist is Jesus!' His love for me. Jesus said at the Last Supper 'This is my Body and this is my Blood.' I will do my best to love him in my life. My Communion would not have happened without a time of confession. My lovely parents were praying in Adoration while I went to my first confession. Now the Eucharist is the centre of my heart. I feel truly blessed to receive Jesus, I Thank you, Jesus.

May God bless all the hands and hearts who helped me to receive Jesus.

PRIORITISING *Spiritual Life*

- AARON JOSEPH MADHU » 10 YRS » TEXAS, USA

One of the Beatitudes is 'Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of God.' We all know what it means by being poor. But what is meant by being poor in spirit? A spiritually poor man always focuses on the priorities of a spiritual life like prayer, showing mercy, being humble – and especially – always trusting and surrendering to God, even when one feels abandoned or when prayers are not answered. What Jesus means by that is we have to be humble, compassionate and empathetic with others. We have to look for the good in others and help them to see that goodness in them. By being so, we will be able to have a deep relationship with Jesus.

Being humble and compassionate helps us to lead a purpose-filled life with satisfaction and inner peace. It's actually good to be poor in spirit. It helps us in our spiritual

growth with God's blessings filled in our lives. To attain these blessings, we have to humble ourselves and seek his forgiveness for our sins. He is always waiting for us, to welcome us into his family. When we are poor in spirit, we tend to look to God to receive his grace in complete surrender.

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Thereby we also learn the art of surrendering.

Now, especially during this Lenten season as we prepare for Easter, there are lots of ways by which we can follow this particular beatitude. Giving alms to the poor, being humble and helping our classmate, spending some of our vacation time for the Lord by attending daily Mass, reciting Rosary, volunteering for activities in our parish are a few things that we can do to stay humble, focus on the Lord and to let go of our ego.

Instead of waiting for others to approach us for any help, reaching out to our classmates/friends and helping them is a very good way to kick-start this Beatitude, in addition to always glorifying our God for the credits we get. Let us pray to be humble, poor in spirit and thereby receive God's blessings.





JESUS HEALS THE CENTURION'S SERVANT

(Matthew 8:5-13)

When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help.

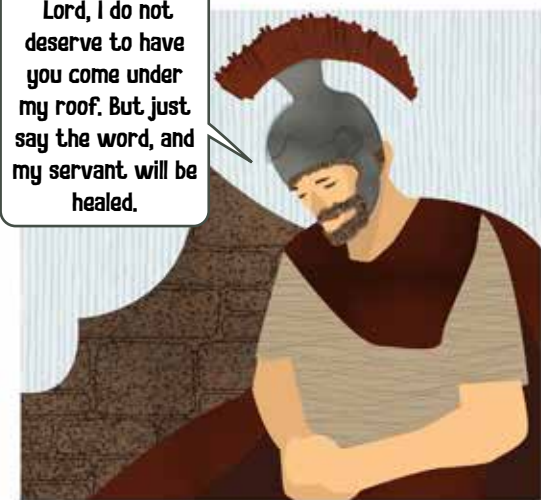


Lord, my servant lies at home paralysed, suffering terribly.

Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed.



Shall I come and heal him?



For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it.



When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him.

Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith. I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.



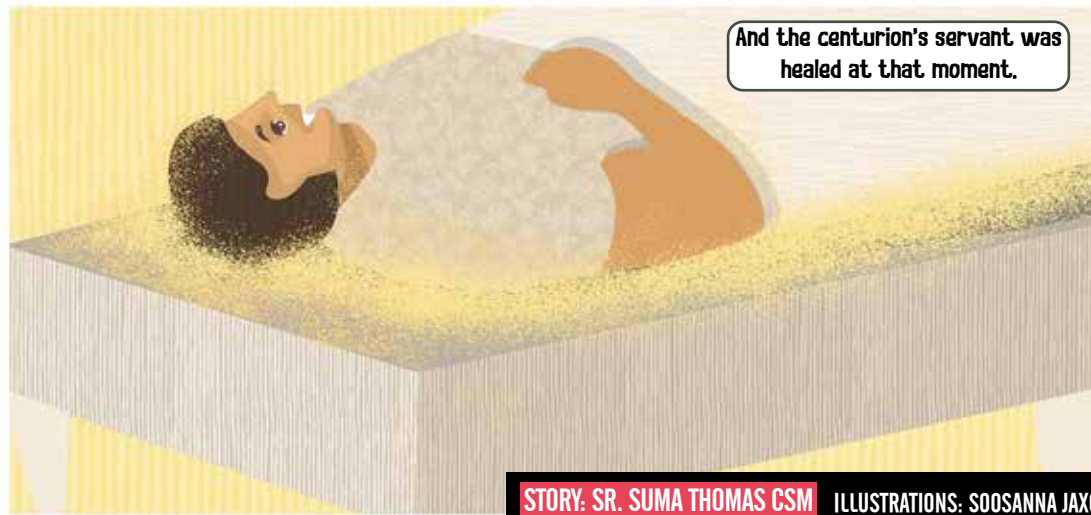
But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Then Jesus said to the centurion.

Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.



And the centurion's servant was healed at that moment.



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The Promise of Heaven

- ANNMARY BON » MARYLAND, USA

'Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.' This first beatitude can be confusing when you first hear it. We know that those who are financially poor depend on the rich to help them. To be poor in spirit means to depend on God completely for all our spiritual needs, trusting that he will give us what we need spiritually.

Firstly, this means to go to God in prayer and to spend time with him. When we do this, we receive God's love and our souls get stronger and we grow spiritually. God also gave us the sacraments to feed and heal our souls. The most important of these is Holy Mass, in which we receive the body and blood of Jesus. Even though we may not feel anything special, in each Communion God is feeding



our souls. After each Communion, we become a little bit more like Jesus himself. In order to receive Holy Communion with a pure heart, we need to regularly receive the sacrament of reconciliation. In confession, we tell God our sins and he wipes them away, healing our souls beyond our imagination. To be poor in spirit also means to be detached from worldly things. The things we have in this world are good. For example, money, clothes, electronics, etc., are all good things, but if we have too much or we give them too much of our love

and attention, it draws us away from God. To be poor in spirit means to love God more than all the riches and goods of the world. We know of saints like St Francis and St Clare who came from rich families and gave up everything and lived a very poor life. While we are not all called to give up everything, God wants us to look at our lives and see what is keeping us away from him. Do we spend too much time on our gadgets or social media? Do we spend a lot of money on games and clothes? We can decide today to spend a little less time on electronics, limit the things we buy and spend

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at least ten minutes each day talking to God. God promises that those who are poor in spirit will receive the biggest gift, something worth more than all the worldly possessions. He promises us Heaven.

BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

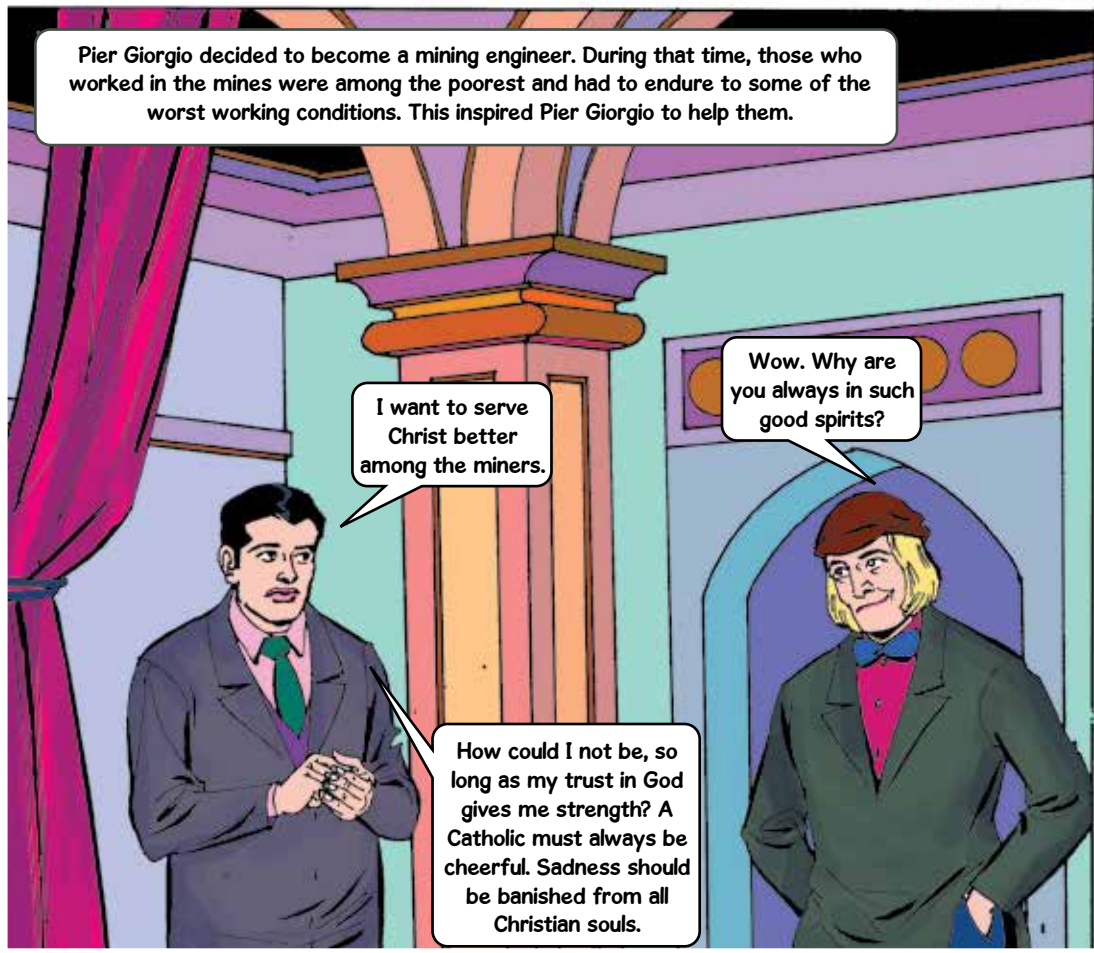
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Pier Giorgio was misunderstood by his parents who thought he was 'excessive' in his devotion to the Lord. They saw his immense faith as an obstacle to his future and thought he lacked ambition. Often, Pier Giorgio would even sacrifice family vacations at the Frassati summer home in Pollone so he could stay back to help the poor.



If everybody leaves Turin, who will take care of the poor?

Pier Giorgio decided to become a mining engineer. During that time, those who worked in the mines were among the poorest and had to endure to some of the worst working conditions. This inspired Pier Giorgio to help them.

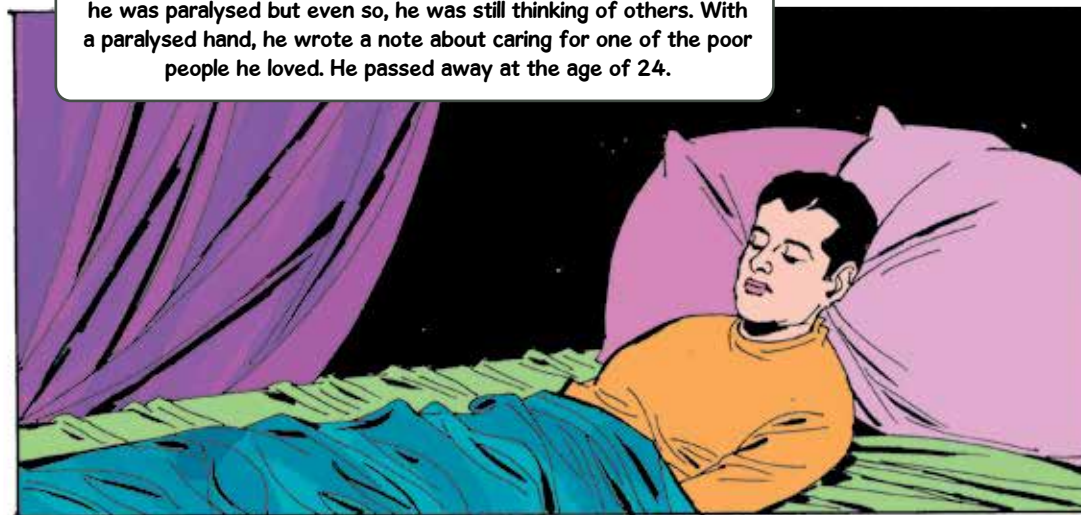


I want to serve Christ better among the miners.

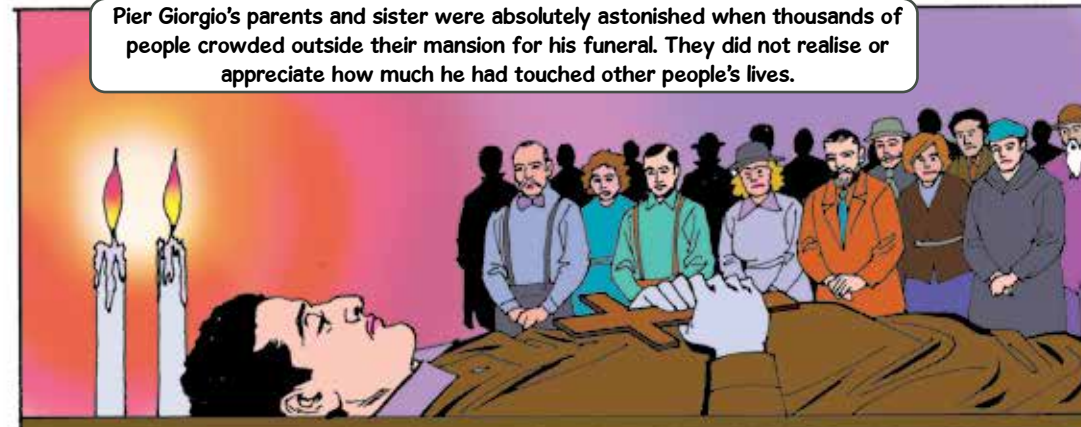
Wow. Why are you always in such good spirits?

How could I not be, so long as my trust in God gives me strength? A Catholic must always be cheerful. Sadness should be banished from all Christian souls.

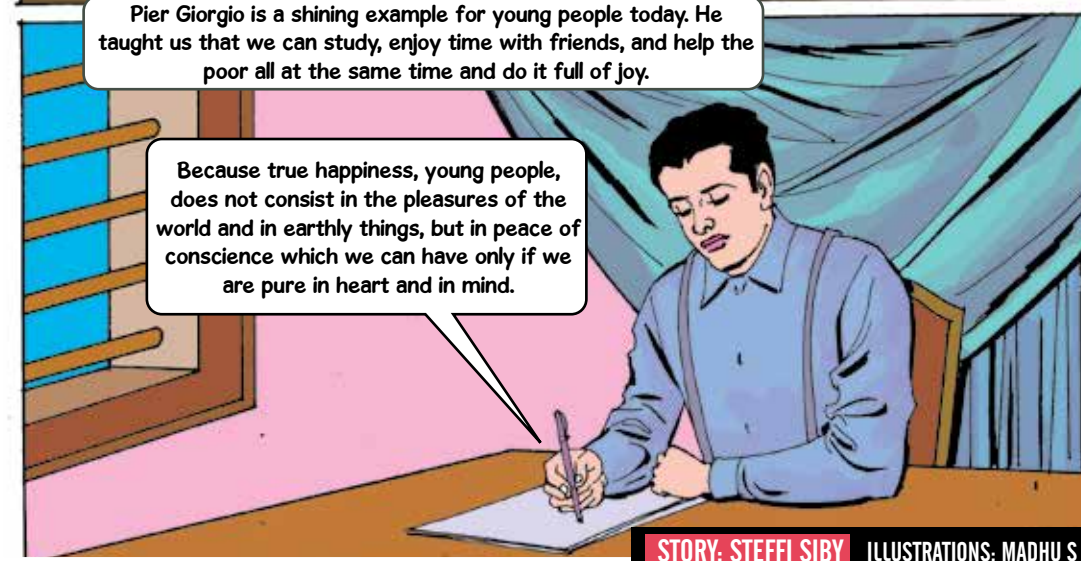
Pier Giorgio contracted poliomyelitis which was thought to be spread from the poor people he was helping in the slums. Within a week he was paralysed but even so, he was still thinking of others. With a paralysed hand, he wrote a note about caring for one of the poor people he loved. He passed away at the age of 24.



Pier Giorgio's parents and sister were absolutely astonished when thousands of people crowded outside their mansion for his funeral. They did not realise or appreciate how much he had touched other people's lives.



Pier Giorgio is a shining example for young people today. He taught us that we can study, enjoy time with friends, and help the poor all at the same time and do it full of joy.



Because true happiness, young people, does not consist in the pleasures of the world and in earthly things, but in peace of conscience which we can have only if we are pure in heart and in mind.

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- DIVYA IMMANUEL » MUMBAI, INDIA



Procedure

Step 1: Place 6 popsicle sticks onto a flat surface.

Step 2: Now add glue vertically across all 6 popsicle sticks.

Step 3: Place two sticks vertical on the glue. Press it down gently to make it stick.

Step 4: Take a stick and mark them in order to cut and fit them in between the two vertical sticks.

Step 5: Apply glue on the last horizontal stick to stick the cut piece in between the two vertical sticks.



THINGS REQUIRED

1. Popsicle sticks (plain or coloured)
2. Clay
3. White glue or hot glue gun
4. Coloured paper and sketch pens
5. Scissors



Step 6: Now applying glue, paste two more sticks horizontally, one on top and one at the bottom.

Step 7: Next applying glue, paste two more sticks vertically on the two sides.

Step 8: Place a weight over it and let it dry.

Step 9: Take the coloured paper and measure the inside of the frame made. Write your favourite bible verse or verse of the day or a motivational quote.

Step 10: Make two cubes out of the clay and place them on a flat surface.

Step 11: Now take the frame, holding the top, gently press the legs onto the clay to help it stand.

Step 12: Take the verse you have written and insert it into the frame.

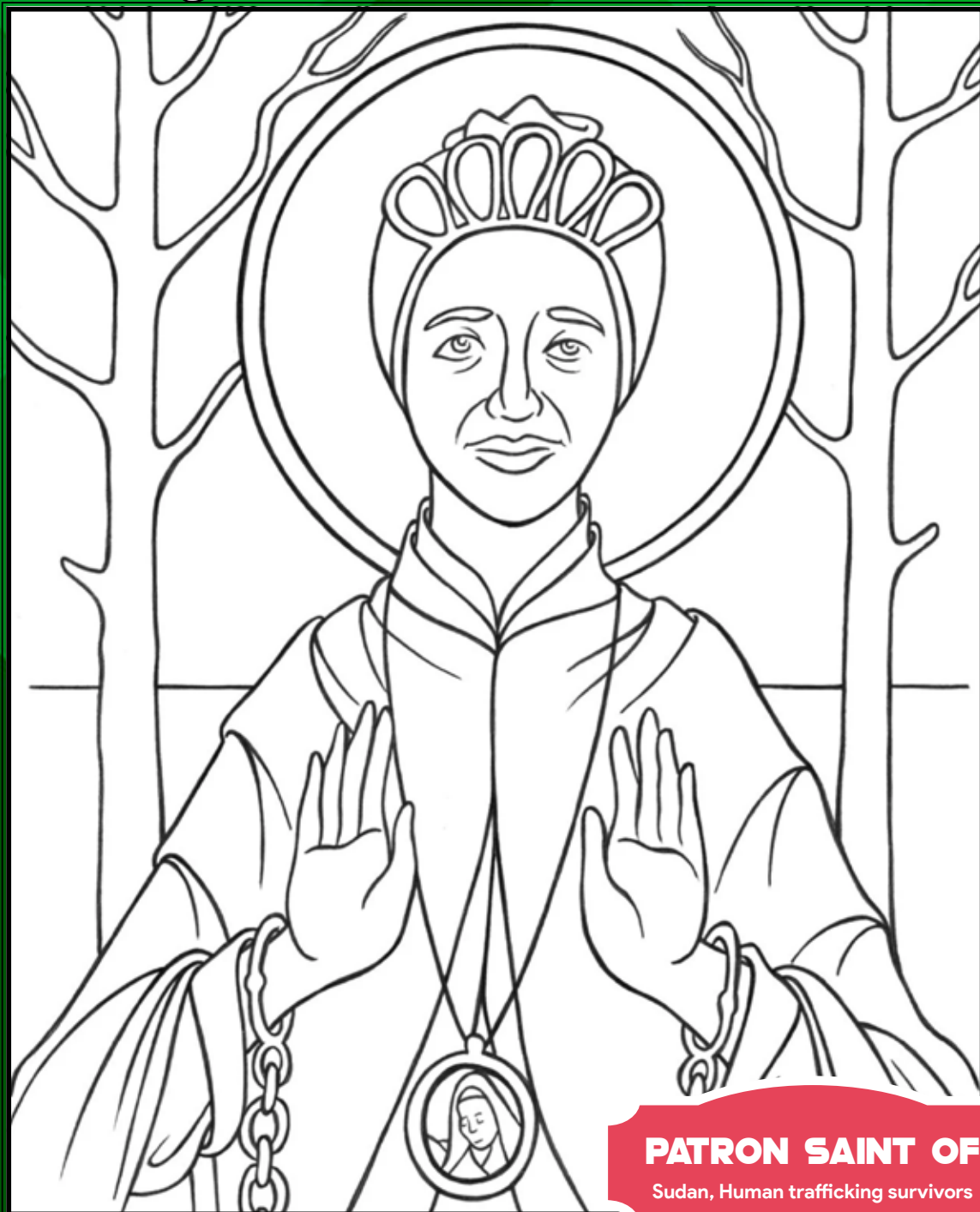
Tips

1. Let the popsicle sticks dry completely before making them stand on the clay.

2. Make multiple verse cards to change daily or weekly.

ALL ABOUT

St Josephine Bakhita



PATRON SAINT OF

Sudan, Human trafficking survivors

BORN:

1869

LIVED IN:

Sudan, Italy

DIED:

8 February 1947

CANONISED:

1 October 2000 by Pope

John Paul II

FEAST DAY:

8 February

Prayer to St Josephine Bakhita

Saint Josephine Bakhita, as a child, you were sold as a slave and had to spend untold difficulties and suffering. Once freed from your physical slavery, you found true redemption in your encounter with Christ and his Church. Oh, St Bakhita, help those who are trapped in slavery; intercede on their behalf before God so that they are freed from the chains of captivity. May God free anyone who has been enslaved by man. Provide relief to those who survive slavery and allow them to see Him as a model of faith and hope. Help all survivors to find healing for their wounds. We beg you to pray and intercede for those who are enslaved among us. Amen.

FACTS

ABOUT ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

- ▶ Josephine Margaret Bakhita was born in the village of Olgossa in Darfur, Sudan. She belonged to the Daju people and her uncle was the tribal chief.
- ▶ In 1877, she was kidnapped by Arab slave traders. Only 7 or 8, she was made to walk 960 kms barefoot to a slave market.
- ▶ The next twelve years, she was bought and sold so many times that she forgot her original name. 'Bakhita' was the name given to her by her captors. It means 'fortunate' in Arabic.
- ▶ During her captivity, Bakhita was severely tortured by her various owners. She suffered brandings and beatings. One of her owners even cut her 114 times and put salt in the wounds to ensure the scars remained.
- ▶ Bakhita finally found herself as a nanny to a family in Italy. When they decided to move permanently to Sudan, Bakhita was left in the care of the Canossian sisters in Venice. There, cared for and instructed by the sisters, Bakhita encountered God and Christianity.
- ▶ When the family returned to take her back to Sudan, Bakhita refused to leave the convent. The sisters helped her file a complaint with the courts seeking freedom. The courts declared Bakhita free since slavery was outlawed in both Italy and Sudan.
- ▶ Bakhita chose to remain with the Canossian sisters, and was baptised Josephine Margaret in 1890. Josephine became a novice of the Canossian sisters and took her final vows in 1896.
- ▶ For the next 42 years, she worked as a cook and doorkeeper at the convent. She was known for her gentle voice and smile. She travelled to other convents, telling her story to the other sisters and preparing them for work in Africa.
- ▶ When speaking of her captivity, she spoke gratefully of her kidnappers – were it not for them, she would never have encountered Jesus and his Church.
- ▶ Her final years were marked by pain and sickness, but she was always cheerful. Bakhita died on 8 February 1947.

Glory belongs to God, whose power is at work in us.

- Ephesians 5:20

Glory belongs to God

- JOAN JERO D'CRUZ » 10 YRS » BANGALORE, INDIA

Dear Diary,

Today was Saturday, the day of our football match. We were playing against another school. As Coach David walked in, he smiled at us, telling us to gather around him.

'Alright guys, are you all ready? Good. Now, do you know what Ephesians 3:20 is? It says that *Glory belongs to God, whose power is at work in us*. Now whatever you do out there, you have to think: Will this give glory to my God? It doesn't matter if we win or lose.'

The match started off rough. When it was halfway through, we knew we were losing. I hated losing.

As the game went on, the boy who had the ball moved towards me.

'Jack! Get it! Get the ball!' My teammates shouted.

As he came nearer, I tried my best to tackle him but when I wasn't able to get the ball, I tripped his left leg causing him to fall down. The referee blew his whistle, and I was relieved when they decided that nobody had actually seen me trip him. I was happy. They called a break for the boy to rest.

While we were still on the break my coach came to me.

'Hey Jack, that was a good tackle.' He said. I beamed with pride. 'Just keep in mind the verse I told you before the game, okay?' He said with a knowing smile.

Although I felt extremely bad, I kept it to myself. After a few minutes though, I went to the coach and admitted that I had tripped the boy. My coach smiled at me, patted my back and went to inform the referee.

I was put out of the game and our team lost the match too. But at the end of the day, I was glad that I told the truth. Because lying never gives glory to God.

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KID CATHOPEDIA

Catholic Encyclopedia for kids!

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ANAPHORA

Anaphora is a Greek word used to denote the Eucharistic Prayer in the Divine Liturgy of the Holy Mass, and has four parts. The word literally means 'a raising up,' or 'offering.' Anaphora is the most solemn part of the Divine Liturgy where the offerings, i.e., the bread and wine, are consecrated as the body and blood of Christ. When the Roman Rite had a single Eucharistic Prayer or Anaphora, it was called the Canon of the Mass.



ANDREW

Andrew, in Biblical Reference, is Saint Andrew the Apostle, considered the first disciple of Jesus. He was a fisherman by profession, and a follower of John the Baptist, who introduced him to Jesus. Andrew brought his brother Simon to Jesus, and Simon went on to become Peter - the leader of the apostles and later the first Pope of the Catholic Church. After Pentecost, Andrew is believed to have spread the Gospel in areas around the Mediterranean and the Black Sea, especially throughout the Byzantine Empire.



ANGELS

Angels, according to the Catholic Church, are 'spiritual, non-corporeal beings' whose existence is a 'truth of faith' (CCC #328). The Bible identifies three angels by name: Micheal, Raphael, and Gabriel, and tradition honours them as messengers and protectors sent from God. The Church also teaches us that angels are our guardians, hence the small prayers we learn from infancy to our guardian angel.



THE ACCIDENT

On evening, as Kevin and Lizzy help their mom in the garden, Dad comes into the driveway. Kevin notices something and runs to Dad.



'Dad! What happened?!'
Mom and Lizzy hurry over to Dad.
'I got hit by a truck,' Dad says, stepping out of the car and walking to the vehicle's rear.

The dented back of the car greets the family.

'How'd it happen?' Mom asks.

Dad tells them that he had stopped in a chapel to pray that evening, and while leaving as he was easing the car onto the road, a truck came and crashed into it.

'Was it the chapel in town? How come the truck was speeding?' Asks Mom.

'It was that little chapel out of town,' Dad replies. 'You know there's barely any traffic there. I guess that's why he drove above the speed limit.'

'It was the truck's fault, right Dad?' Lizzy asks.

Dad nods and then says, 'The driver was very sorry about it. He said he was rushing to deliver medicines to a clinic for an emergency.'

'So what about the cops, Dad?' Asks Kevin.

'I didn't want to cause the man trouble, since he was rushing over an emergency. And our insurance will cover the repairs... So, I decided not to report it. The driver seemed like a nice guy. He took my number and said he would call.'

'Seems like he got away, Dad?' Lizzy remarks. 'I mean, it was his fault and the accident was not reported and all...'

'Well, as Dad said, why cause the man trouble, Lizzy?' Mom says. 'Dad felt he was genuine.'



That weekend, Dad and Mom are relaxing while Kevin, Lizzy and the twins are watching a movie. The doorbell rings and Dad goes to get it.

A little while later, Dad comes back with a huge hamper of goodies, and a note. 'Whoa! Who sent that?!' Mom asks surprised. Lizzy and Kevin pause their watching and come over.

Dad goes and shows them all the note:

Dear Mr Peters,
We are grateful to you for the kindness you showed one of our drivers the other day. He was on an emergency delivery, where medicines were urgently requested by the clinic. The medicines were delivered on time and the emergency was dealt with, thanks in great part to your good heart.
As a token of our gratitude and our sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused, please accept this small gift.
Sincerely,
J. Mario
Silver Line Trucks

Oh ye Poor in Spirit

Be blessed!

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This attitude of being poor in spirit invites us to seek a connection with something greater than ourselves – the Lord Jesus. It fosters spiritual growth and self-awareness, guiding us to become true children of God, reaching our highest potential in all areas of life. It encourages us to break free from excessive attachments, appreciating the non-material aspects of life.

And let me share the story of Lily, a teen who, amidst the chaos of social media and materialistic trends, finds joy in spending quality time with friends and family, cherishing simple moments. That's the joy that being poor in spirit unveils.

Being 'poor in spirit' encourages living in the present moment and practising mindfulness. Let's consciously appreciate the beauty around us and find joy in life's simple things. By embracing this mindset,

In a world that often measures success by achievements, expertise, and the race to be first, the words of Jesus in the first of the eight Beatitudes resonate: *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of God* (Matthew 5:3). It's intriguing how being poor in something is associated with being blessed. So, what does it mean to be 'poor in spirit'?

Imagine Sarah, a high school student who excels in academics and sports. One day, she openly admits to her friends that despite her accomplishments, she feels a deep sense of humility, acknowledging that there's always more to learn. That's the humility of being poor in spirit – recognising your strengths while staying open to growth.

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Embracing being poor in spirit requires humility – a recognition of our limitations and a sincere acknowledgment of our dependence on God and others. This attitude should fuel a willingness to learn and grow, being open to life's lessons. **Consider Jake, who, despite his popularity, takes the time to understand the struggles of his classmates.** That's the empathy of being poor in spirit – being open-hearted and supportive.

Being poor in spirit is not a sign of weakness; rather, it signifies the strength to face difficulties with grace and resilience, relying on inner strength and faith. In a world often preoccupied with external appearances, especially as teens, we are called to shift our focus to inner character. **Think about Mia, who chooses kindness over judgment, standing up against gossip and peer pressure.** That's the inner strength that being poor in spirit encourages.

we unlock the blessings of a life centred on humility, compassion, and a deep connection with God. Thereby being BLESSED in this world and the hereafter! ***And still there will of course be more to know, to learn and acknowledge...***

GUARD YOUR HEART

Anna's friends have come to the mall to help her buy a gift. But it looks like they did most of the shopping!

GRAND MALL

Hey! I thought you guys came to help me out?

Well, what can I say? A girl's got her needs!

Meanwhile, it looks like they are being observed ...

CLICK!

Oooh! Anna thinks we shouldn't have come!

I didn't say that.

Soon the girls are met by a group of boys.

Hi! Remember me from the tuition class?

Yeah, we do.

While one of her friends is keen to join the boys at the café, Anna is hesitant.

Sure, we'd love to! Come on, girls!

But ...

Would you like to join us at the cafe?

At that moment Tony and his friend Jim come by.

Hi girls! Shopping?

Hi Tony! Yes. What are you guys doing here?

Just getting some supplies for Jim's class. So are these friends of yours?

Tony's arrival and the presence of the mall security have an effect on the boys. They seem eager to get away.

He used to be in our tuition class.

Hmm... I think I know the boy in the blue shirt. He's trouble so better watch out.

Nice meeting you all. See you later. Bye!

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

So who wants ice cream?

ME!

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Unscramble

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Below are names of the prophets in the Old Testament.

Can you unscramble their names?

URBAHC

ALENID

EHOSA

BAOHIDA

HUNAM

HENIPHIAZ

OLJE

MERJEHIA

SHAI AI

ZEKELIE

GAHAGI

HERIZAHAC

HICAMAL

KABAHUKK

CIHAM

OJANH

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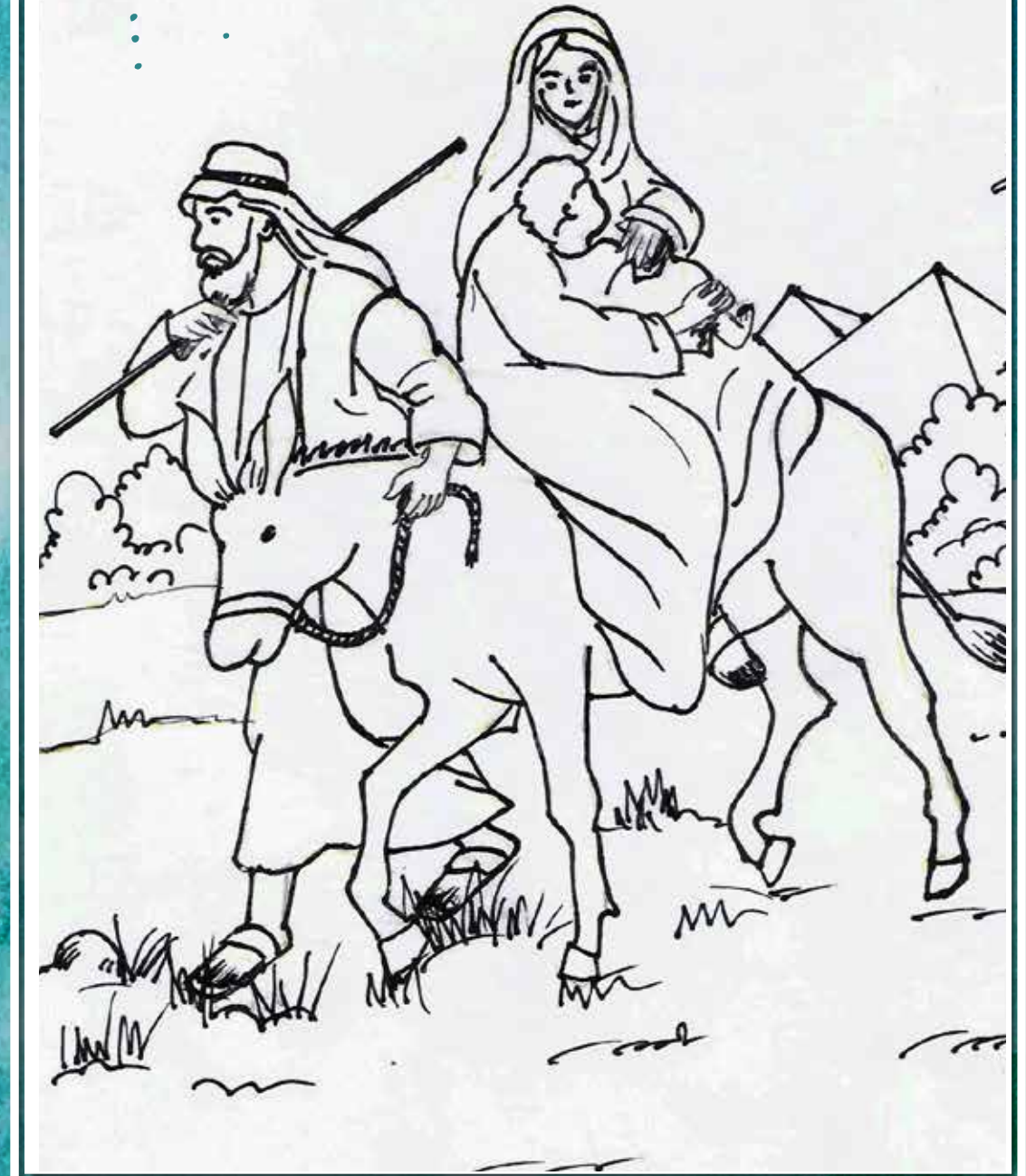
In this section, a picture is divided into 4 parts, one for each issue. Children can colour each part, and when the picture is complete it can be glued together and framed.



Spot 10 Differences



COLOUR ME



Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3



FISH THAT LISTENED!

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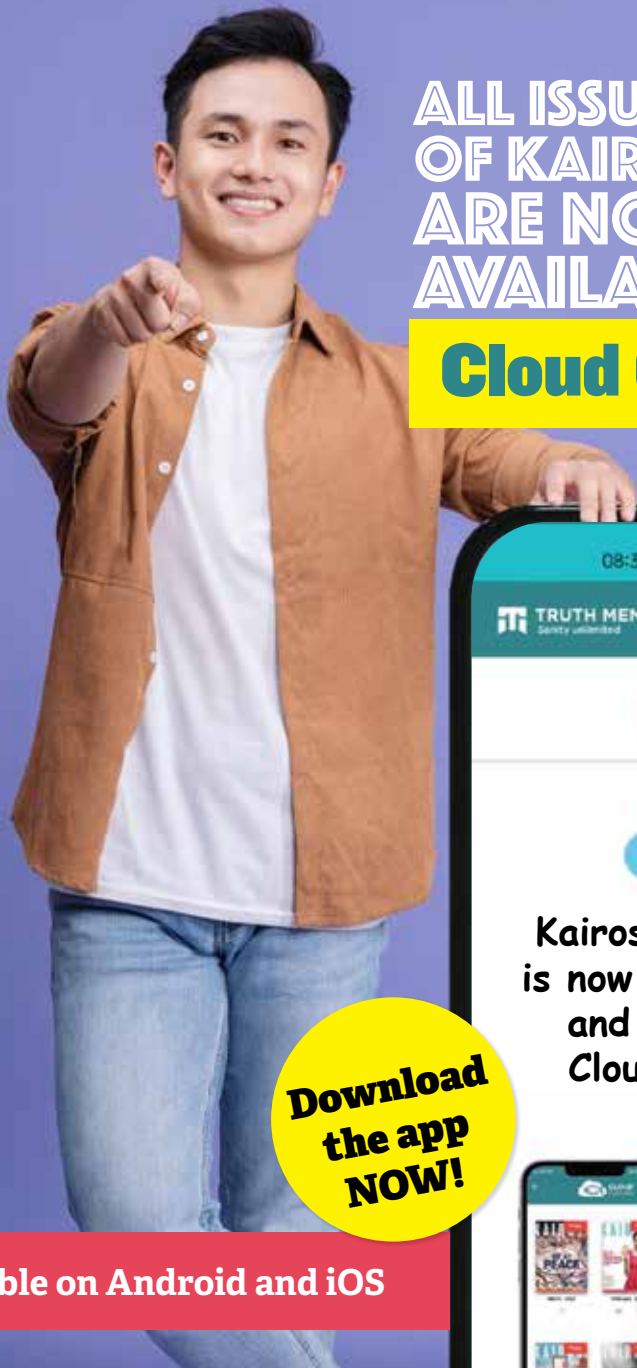
You might know St Anthony as the patron of lost things. But did you that he was an eloquent preacher? He was such a compelling speaker that even the fish loved listening to him... That's right! Once a crowd in Italy refused to hear him speak. That didn't deter St Anthony. He turned to the sea and began preaching to the fish. A school of fish rose from the water to listen to his words, not long into his preaching.

Perhaps it was because of this that the Church gave him the title, 'Doctor of the Church'. Another fun fact, his tongue remains incorrupt in Padua!



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