

Celebrating EASTER SUNDAY
Exploring our Faith with Children
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Celebrating our April Saints

The day after the Sabbath day, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought some sweet-smelling spices to put on Jesus' body.

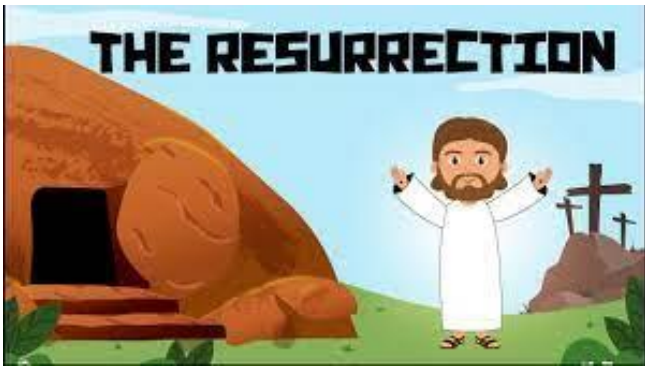
On their way to the tomb the women said to each other, "There is a large stone covering the entrance of the tomb. Who will move the stone for us?"

Then the women looked and saw that the stone was already moved. The stone was very large, but it was moved away from the entrance. The women entered the tomb and saw a young man wearing a white robe. He was sitting on the right side, and the women were afraid.

But the man said,
 "Don't be afraid. You are looking for Jesus from Nazareth, the one who was killed on a cross. He has risen from death. He is not here. Look, here is the place they laid him.

Now go and tell his followers and Peter, 'Jesus is going into Galilee. He will be there before you. You will see him there as he told you before.'"

The women were confused and shaking with fear. They left the tomb and ran away. They did not tell anyone about what happened on the way to the disciples, because they were afraid.



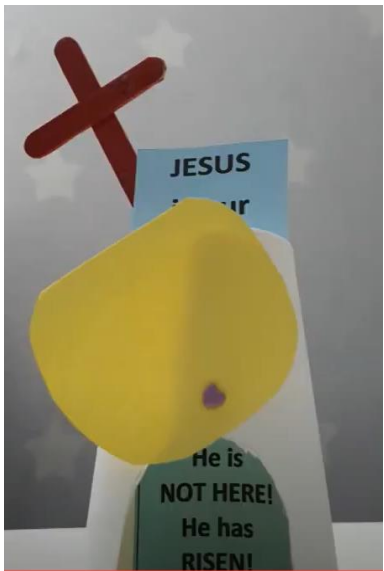
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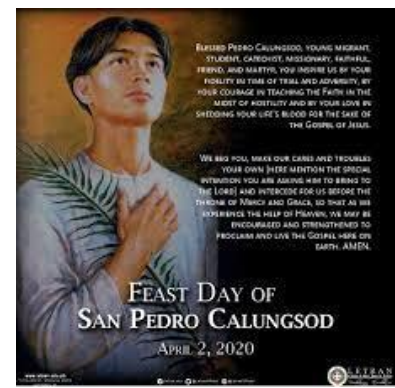
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Spicy Roasted Pumpkin Salad with Spinach Pesto

Ingredients

Peeled pumpkin, cut into 1 cm thick slices - 500 g

Red onion, cut into wedges - 1

Ground cumin - 1/2 tsp

Ground paprika - 1/2 tsp

Olive oil - 2 Tbsp

Chilli flakes - a pinch

Drained butter beans - 1 cup

Capers - 1 Tbsp

Cooked risoni - 1 cup

Pesto

Baby spinach leaves - 1 cup

Garlic clove - 1

Grated Parmesan - 1/2 cup

Lemon juice - 2 Tbsp

Olive oil - 1/4 cup

Salt to taste

Pepper to taste



Method

- Preheat the oven to 180°C (200°C fan-forced).
- Place the pumpkin, onion, cumin, paprika, chilli flakes and oil on an oven tray tossing together to cover evenly.
- Place into the oven for 30 minutes or until golden in colour and roasted through. Add the butter beans and capers to the oven tray, toss and then return to cook for a further 5 minutes. Take it out of the oven, and stir through the cooked risoni.
- While the pumpkin and onion is cooking, make the pesto. In a food processor or blender, place the spinach, garlic, Parmesan, lemon juice and oil, blitzing until smooth. Season with salt and pepper.
- While the salad is still warm, stir through the pesto. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Easter Spiced Chocolate Brownie

Ingredients

Butter, cut into cubes - 220 g
Chocolate, roughly broken - 200 g
Caster sugar - 1 cup
Eggs, lightly whisked – 4
Vanilla essence - 1 Tbsp
Fresh dates, chopped - 4
Flour - 1 1/2 cups
Cinnamon - 1 1/2 Tbsp
Nutmeg - 1/4 Tbsp
Mini Easter eggs - 1 cup



Method

- Preheat an oven to 180°C. Line a 20 x 30cm baking tin with baking paper.
- Into a large pot place the butter and chocolate stirring until the mixture is smooth. Stir through the sugar. Remove from the heat and leave for 10 minutes to cool slightly.
- Stir through the eggs, add the vanilla essence, dates, flour, cinnamon and nutmeg, stirring briskly until smooth. Pour into your tin.
- Dot the Easter eggs over the top. Bake for 25 minutes. It should still be a little soft in the middle.
- Leave the brownie to sit in the tin to cool. Cut into pieces.

The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.

John 20:1 (NIV)

Based on John 20:1-18 (NIV)

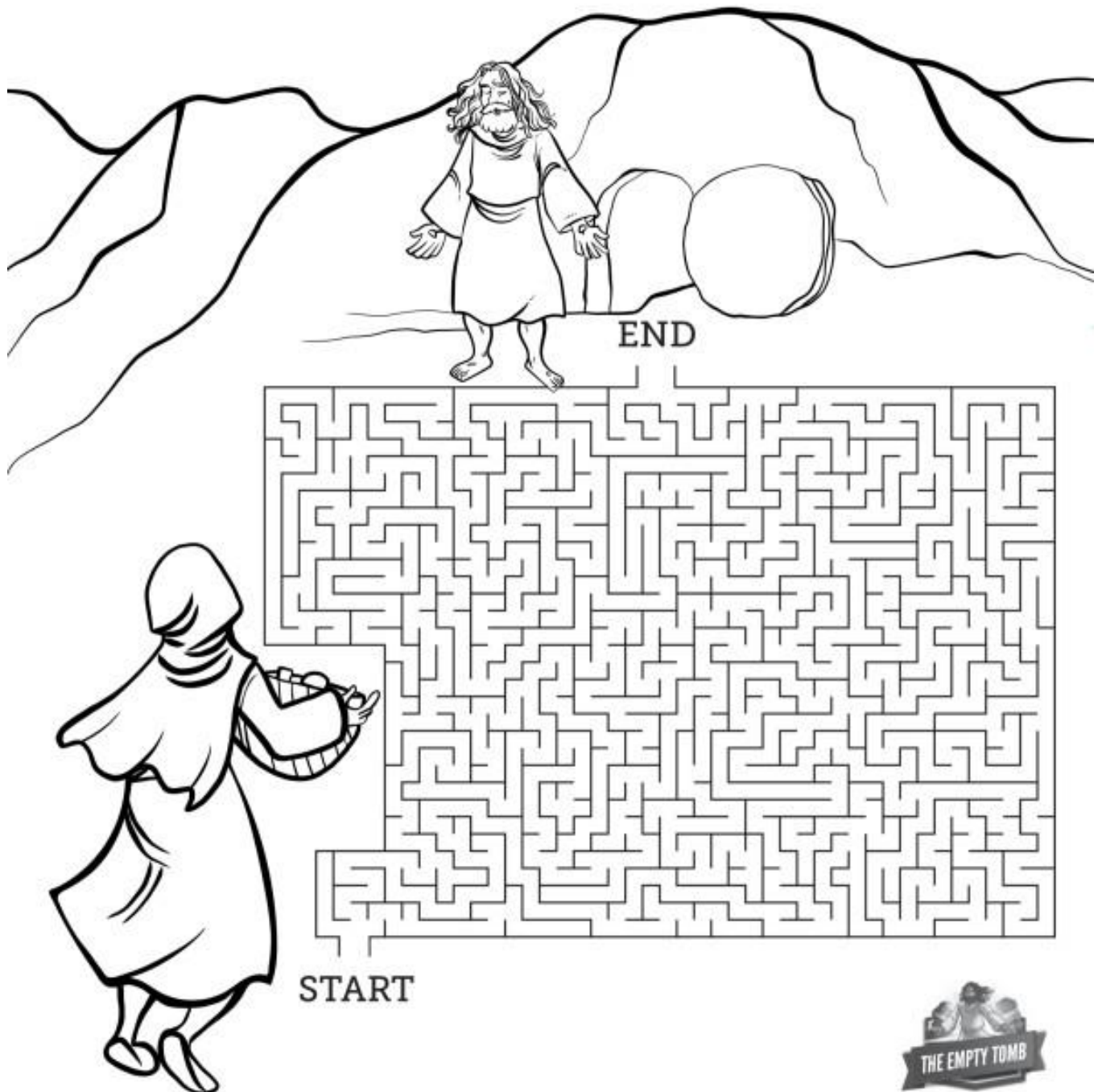


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THE EMPTY TOMB

Guide Mary to the Tomb



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Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



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