Journey through Lent
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Lower Elementary

Materials
- Handout A: Gospel Reading for Sunday March 21, 2021
- Handout B: Follow Jesus
- Crayons, markers, and/or colored pencils

Learning Goals
In the Gospel for the fifth Sunday of Lent, Jesus reminds us once again that to be His follower means following Him to the Cross. In this lesson, students will solve a puzzle and contemplate how they can take up their own crosses and follow Jesus.

Gospel Reflection
Read the Gospel passage aloud to your students as they follow along. Then, discuss the focus questions with them as a class.

Activity
Have your students read (or read aloud to them as they follow along) Handout B: Follow Jesus. Then, have them solve the puzzle and answer the reflection question. You may also have your students color the picture of the student following in Jesus’ footsteps.
Answer Key

Handout A: Gospel Reading for March 21, 2021
1. His suffering, Crucifixion, and Death on the Cross.
2. Much like wheat, if we want to bear fruit in our own lives, that is, do good works according to God’s will, we must allow God to make us new creations (as in Baptism).
3. Draw everyone to Himself.

Handout B: Follow Jesus
1. Cross
2. You/me
3. Footsteps