

Take Home

Jesus Saves Us from Sin

This chapter presents the story of Jesus' Death and Resurrection. The children will consider the concept of sacrifice as it applies to everyday life, and they will learn about the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made when he gave up his life so that we could have eternal life.

ACTIVITY **The Rugged Cross**

Work together to make a cross of twigs held together with a piece of twine or a pipe cleaner. Display your work in a prominent place. Let it serve as a reminder that Jesus sacrificed his life to save us from sin.



THROUGH THE WEEK

+ **A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK** Jesus, help us to be like Saint Elizabeth and make sacrifices to care for others. May our efforts be a way to thank you for sacrificing your life to save us. Amen.

ON SUNDAY

After the words of consecration, sing the Memorial Acclamation with a renewed sense of appreciation for all that Christ has done for you.

ON THE WEB

BlestAreWe.com
RCLBLEctionary.com
SaintsResource.com

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (1207–1231)

Elizabeth was born a princess in Hungary. She lived a simple life and devoted herself to her family and to works of charity. Money and fame were not important to her.

Patron Saint of:
homeless people
and exiles

Feast Day:
November 17



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Scripture Background In the Time of Jesus

Crucifixion The most wretched of deaths, crucifixion, was reserved for criminals involved in serious crimes. It was an act of treason for Jesus to be considered a king, an act meriting crucifixion in the eyes of first-century Romans. The letters of Paul, however, identify the Cross as a symbol of victory. By it, we have been set free and redeemed from the power of sin.

You can read of Jesus' Crucifixion in Mark 15:22–26, and Paul's interpretation of it in 1 Corinthians 1:19–25.



Our Catholic Tradition in World Ministries

Congregation of Holy Cross Father Basil Anthony Moreau was born in 1799, near the end of the French Revolution. At age 22 he was ordained a priest. There was an urgent need to minister to Catholics in France. Father Moreau gathered a group of priests and brothers to establish the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1837. Today four congregations follow his spirit and ministry: the Congregation of Holy Cross, the Marianites of Holy Cross, the Sisters of the Holy Cross, and Sisters of Holy Cross. They minister worldwide.

In 2007, Pope John Paul II beatified Father Basil Moreau. Beatification is the final step toward sainthood.



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“No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

John 15:13

Share

Acting on God’s Word is not always easy. Sometimes we have to give up what we want. Sometimes we have to put the needs of others first.



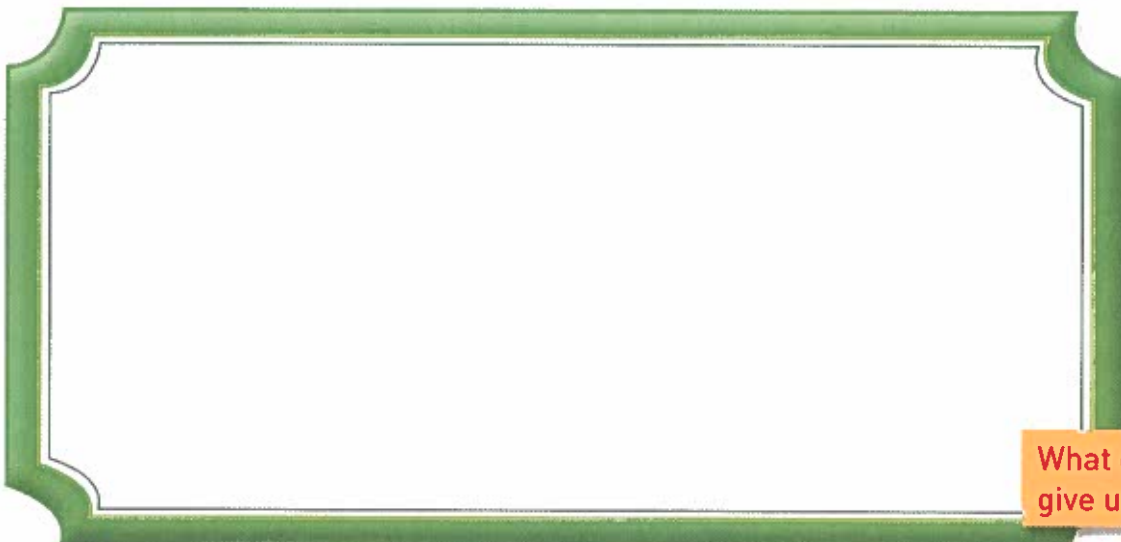
What is the boy giving up?
Why is he doing this?



What is the girl giving up?
Why is she doing this?

ACTIVITY

Draw a picture of a time you gave up something to help another person.



What did Jesus give up for us?

Jesus Gives Up His Life

Jesus was arrested the night he shared a special meal with his friends. This was on the feast of Passover. Jesus changed the bread and wine to be his Body and Blood. This changed the meaning of Passover for Christians forever.

The next morning, soldiers gave Jesus a wooden cross to carry. Then they put Jesus to death on the Cross.

After Jesus died, some of his friends took his body away. They placed his body in a tomb.

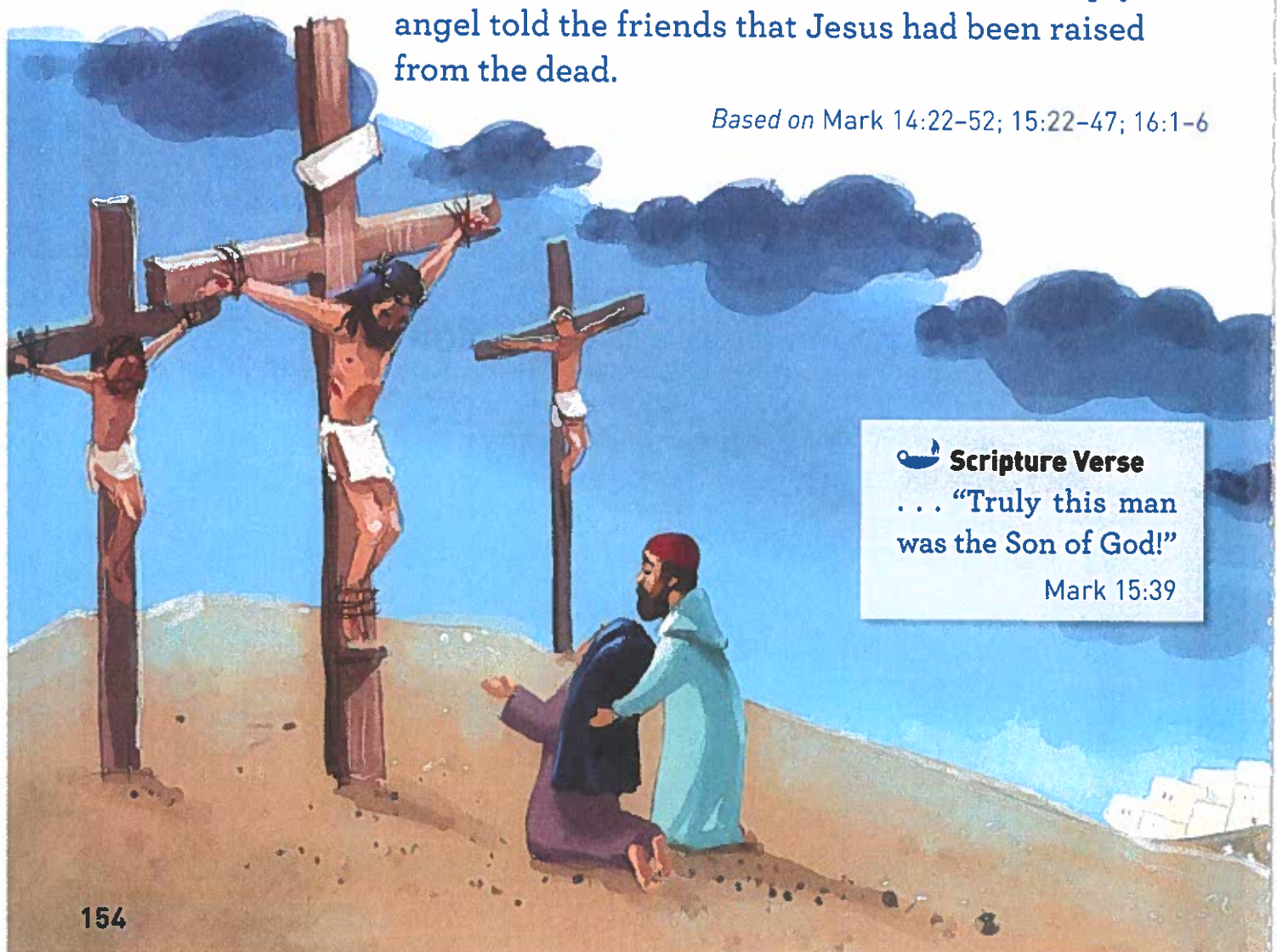
Three days later, some women friends went to the tomb. When they got there, the tomb was empty. An angel told the friends that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

Based on Mark 14:22-52; 15:22-47; 16:1-6

Scripture Verse

... "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

Mark 15:39



God's Gift of Jesus

Jesus is God the Father's greatest gift to us. Jesus gave up his life as a **sacrifice** for our sins. A sacrifice is a special gift that is given out of love.

We call Jesus our Savior. A **savior** is someone who rescues others. Jesus died on the Cross to rescue, or to save, us from our sins.

Our Church Teaches

Three days after Jesus' Death, God raised Jesus to new life. By his life, Death, and **Resurrection**, Jesus showed us God's love. We received the promise of new life. On Easter we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection.

We Believe

Because of Jesus' Death and Resurrection, we too can have eternal life.

Faith Words

sacrifice

A sacrifice is a special gift that is given out of love.

savior

A savior is someone who rescues others.

Resurrection

The Resurrection is Jesus' being raised from the dead to new life.



In what ways can we show love through sacrifice?

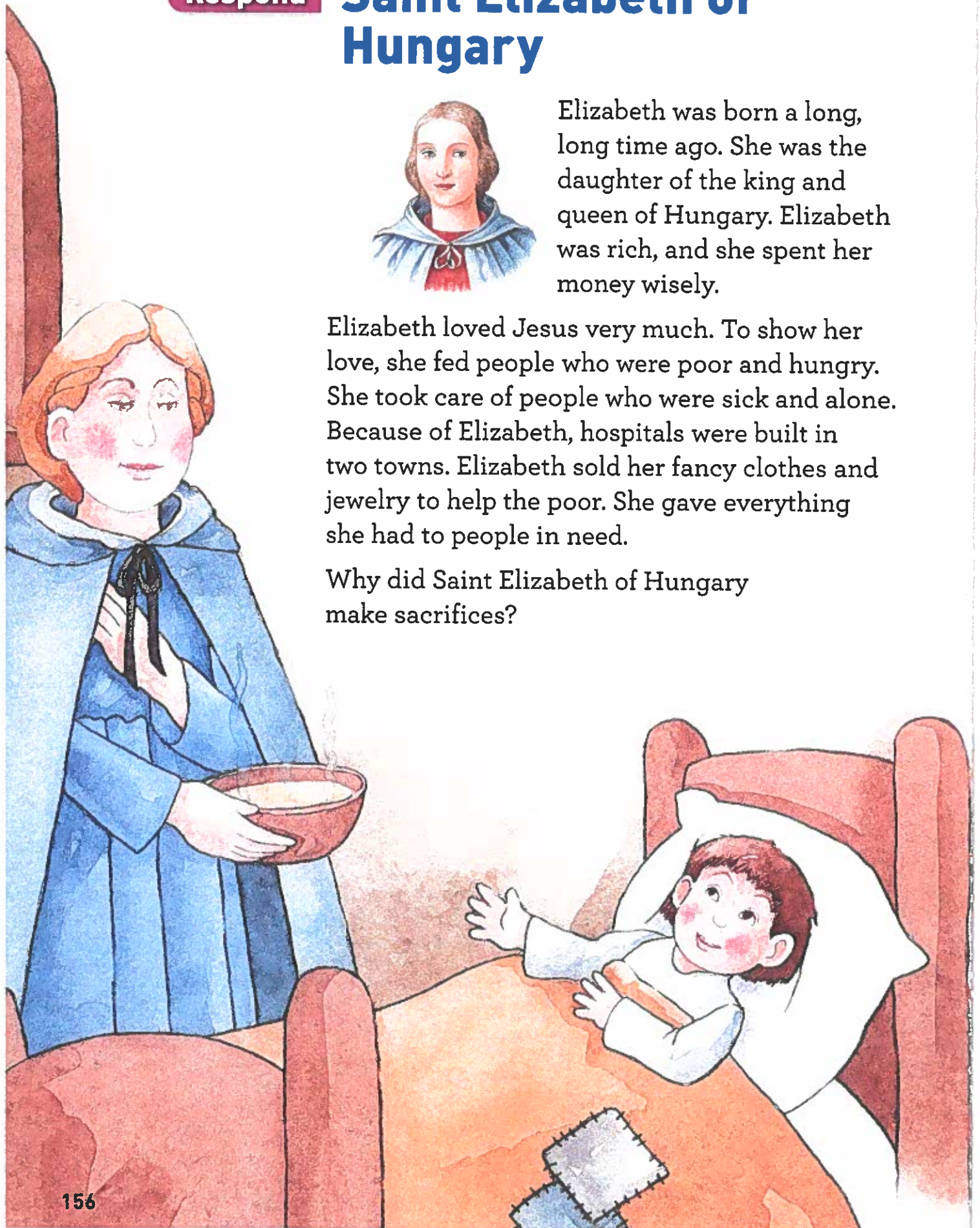
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary



Elizabeth was born a long, long time ago. She was the daughter of the king and queen of Hungary. Elizabeth was rich, and she spent her money wisely.

Elizabeth loved Jesus very much. To show her love, she fed people who were poor and hungry. She took care of people who were sick and alone. Because of Elizabeth, hospitals were built in two towns. Elizabeth sold her fancy clothes and jewelry to help the poor. She gave everything she had to people in need.

Why did Saint Elizabeth of Hungary make sacrifices?



ACTIVITIES

1. Think of one sacrifice you could make this week. Write about how this sacrifice will show your love for someone.

2. Write or draw about a time someone made a sacrifice to show their love for you.



In what way can we celebrate the sacrifice of Jesus?

A Prayer of Faith

Leader: During the Mass we remember Jesus' sacrifice for us. The priest says, "The mystery of faith." We respond with a special prayer of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Roman Missal



Chapter Review

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A Draw a line to connect the parts of each sentence.

1. Giving up something we want out of love is _____.
 - someone who rescues others.
2. Jesus is _____.
 - called a sacrifice.
3. A savior is _____.
 - God's greatest gift to us.

B Complete the sentences with words from the box.

come Death Jesus Resurrection

1. During Mass, we remember that _____ died and was raised from the dead.

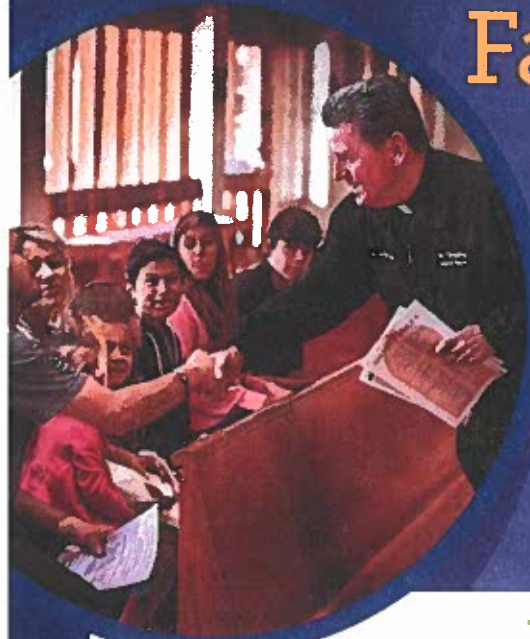
2. Complete this prayer from the Mass.

"We proclaim your _____, O Lord,

and profess your _____

until you _____ again."

Faith in *Action*



Welcome Ministry The Catholic Church has members from all over the world. Parish members are called to make all feel welcome, even those who may have just come to this country. The welcome ministry at your parish may organize fairs, picnics, or special gatherings as a way to reach out and help new families.

In Your Parish

ACTIVITY Think about people who have joined your parish community. How has your parish made them feel welcome? On a separate piece of paper, draw one example of making them feel welcome.

In Everyday Life

ACTIVITY Unscramble the words below. Use them to finish the sentence. Think of ways you can do what it says at home and at school this week.

L A L

K E T A

We _____ are called to _____

E R C A

O H T R E

_____ of each _____