

**8<sup>th</sup> November 2020 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the year**  
**Young people's activities**  
**Immaculate Conception R.C. Church,**  
**The parable of the ten bridesmaids**  
**Matthew 25 1-13**



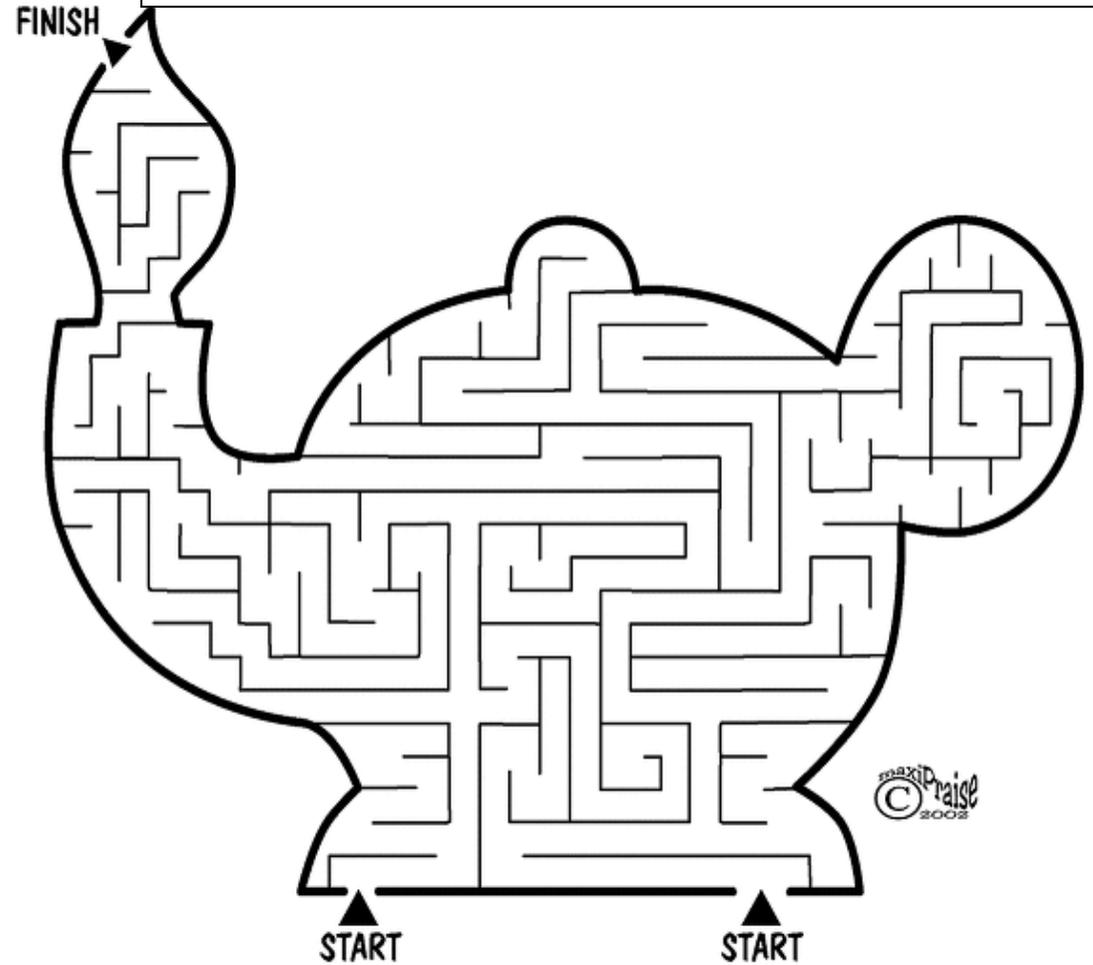
Jesus once told a story to teach us the importance of being prepared. In Jesus' story, ten bridesmaids took their oil lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Jesus said that five of them were foolish because they had their lamps, but they didn't bring any extra oil to put in their lamps. It was a long time before the bridegroom came and the bridesmaids fell asleep. When it was time to go out and meet the bridegroom, 5 of the bridesmaids were out of oil and their lamps went out. The other five were very wise and well-prepared. They had brought plenty of oil for their lamps. They were ready, their lamps shone brightly. In this story, the bridegroom is Jesus and you and I are the bridesmaids. The story is teaching us that one day we are going to go to meet Jesus. It teaches us that we must be prepared because we don't know exactly when that time is coming. Do you know what we must do to be prepared? We must invite Jesus to come into our hearts. When we do that, we are ready!

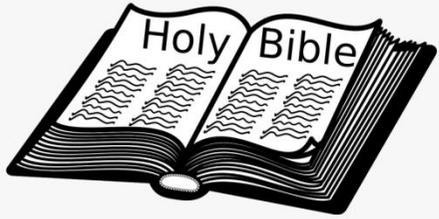
Spot the difference  
Can you find 8



Parable

Just like the ten bridesmaids who had a choice to take extra oil and be prepared. You have to choose which path to take. One will lead you to light, the other to darkness.





Read the bible

## Are you prepared?

**Your task this week....** Read the parable of the bridesmaids, Matthew chapter 25 verses 1-13. Then think about what to do to make sure you are always ready for the coming of the kingdom of God.

Here are some ideas to help you.

## Follow the Ten Commandments



Listen to all Jesus' teachings' and try to follow his ways.

Pray  
Talk to God, as if he is your best friend, better still let him be your best friend. Then he will really enter your heart.

1. Love God more than anything else.



2. Worship Him only.



3. No bad words



4. Keep Sunday Holy



5. Obey your parents in everything as this pleases the Lord.



6. Don't hurt anyone



7. Don't cheat



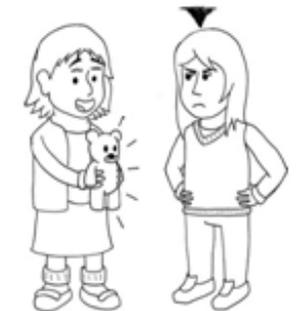
8. Don't take what is not yours.



9. Always tell the truth.



10. Don't be jealous of other peoples stuff.

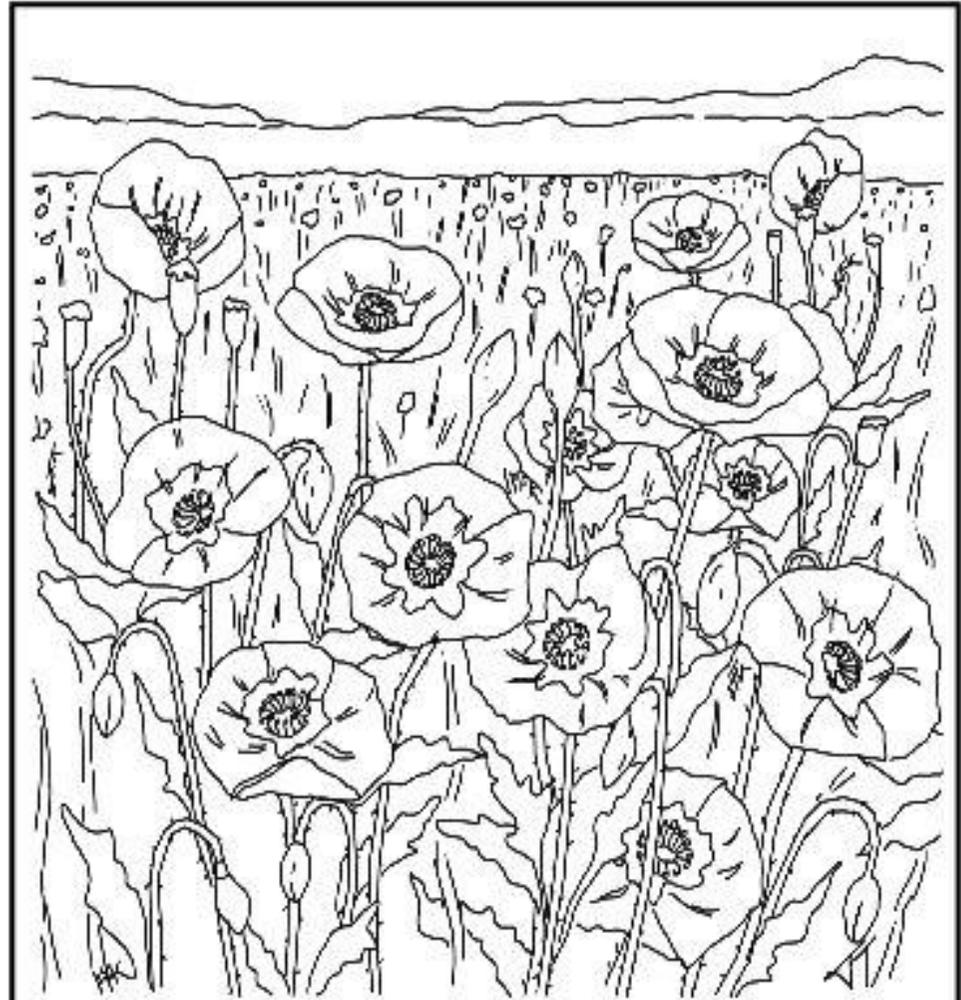


# This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday

After 4 years of fighting the First World War ended in November 1918. 18 million people died in that war. Poppies grew in the battle scarred fields of France and Belgium after the battles of the First World War

After the First World War, the poppy was adopted as a symbol of Remembrance.

A soldier, John McCrae, was inspired by the sight of poppies to write a poem called 'In Flanders Fields'. Every year on the 11th of November politicians, the Royal Family and veterans lay wreaths at the Cenotaph in London.



*In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*