



Second Sunday of Easter

Find this story in your bibles in John 20. 19 - end

Sunday 19th April 2020

Start with a discussion:

What does it mean to receive the Holy Spirit? It means we are given power through God. God is trusting us with the special task of telling others about what Jesus did.

Story in context

All the disciples met not long after Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene. They were scared so they locked themselves in their meeting room. Jesus appeared in the room and said 'Peace be with you'. He told the disciples who were there that the Father had sent him, so Jesus was sending them out to spread the good news and the disciples received the Holy Spirit. One of the disciples wasn't there, Thomas (who was called the Twin) was told excitedly by the other disciples that they had seen Jesus! But Thomas didn't believe them, he doubted their story. He wanted to see Jesus with his own eyes before he believed.

A week later the disciples met again, this time with Thomas. Jesus again appeared to them all and said 'Peace be with you'. This time Thomas saw Jesus and believed.

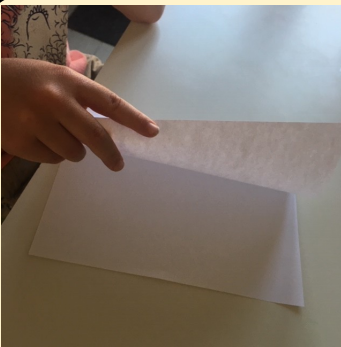


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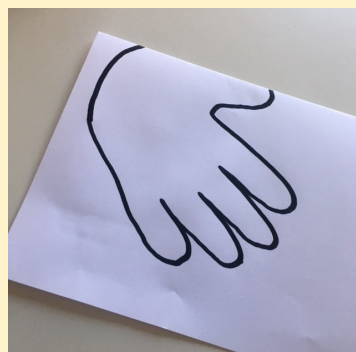
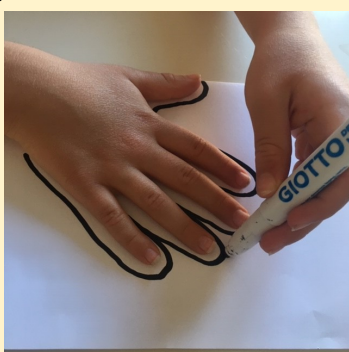
At the moment you may not be able to see your family and friends. Like the disciples sharing the good news of Jesus, why don't you share good news messages with your family and friends? You could post your dove or send them a digital message showing them it. You could even leave them for your refuse collectors, postman etc to say thank you for helping your household.

You will need:

- White paper
- Small piece of yellow or orange paper or card (this can be scrap from your paper/card recycling)
- Scissors
- A black pen or pencil



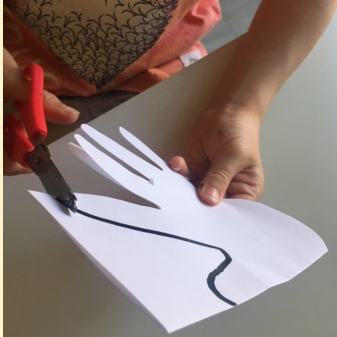
Firstly fold your piece of paper in half (we're using A4 white paper).



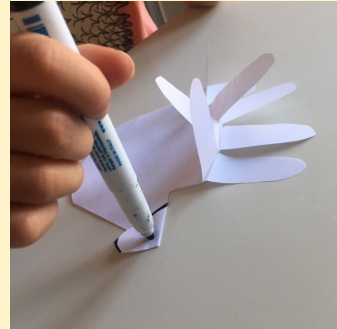
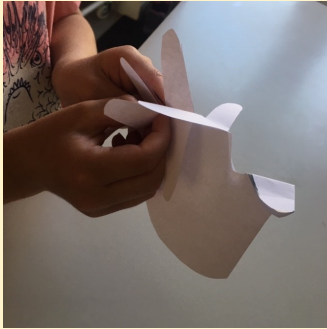
Draw around your hand, making sure that your thumb is in line with the fold in your paper.



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Cut out your hand shape but leave the folded edge.



Fold back the neck to create the head and then fold back the fingers to make the dove's wings. Draw on the eye and add the beak.



Add your message inside. Send to someone you are thinking about and want to share a message of love and hope with.