

Kids@St Lawrence

3-10s

29/03/20 Jesus dies



To get/do in advance!

Starter Activity

Watch the Youtube Easter cartoon - (first 4 minutes are today's story!)

Read the Bible story
Ask these Questions –
choose the correct answer...

Read and explain

Sing

Craft

A hot cross bun – if available!, white paper, card cut into a cross shape, coloured crayons, pencils etc – or paint if you don't mind the mess!

Ask children what they know about Good Friday? What happened on that special day? Show the hot cross bun – we eat these on Good Friday - this is a clue to what happened.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HL8R158Ujp4>

Mark 15:25-39 – and find the story in your children's Bible at home if you have one.

- When was Jesus put on the cross? ... a) In the middle of the night b) Lunchtime c) 9 in the morning
- What was written on the cross? ... a) This is Jesus b) The King of the Jews c) Nothing
- How did people treat Jesus when he was on the cross? ... a) They were all horrible to him b) Everyone was kind c) They ignored him
- Choose the 2 strange things that happened when Jesus died?... a) The temple curtain was torn in two b) It went dark at lunchtime c) The sun shone very brightly
- Who did the centurion (Roman soldier) think Jesus was? ... a) A criminal b) an ordinary person c) the son of God

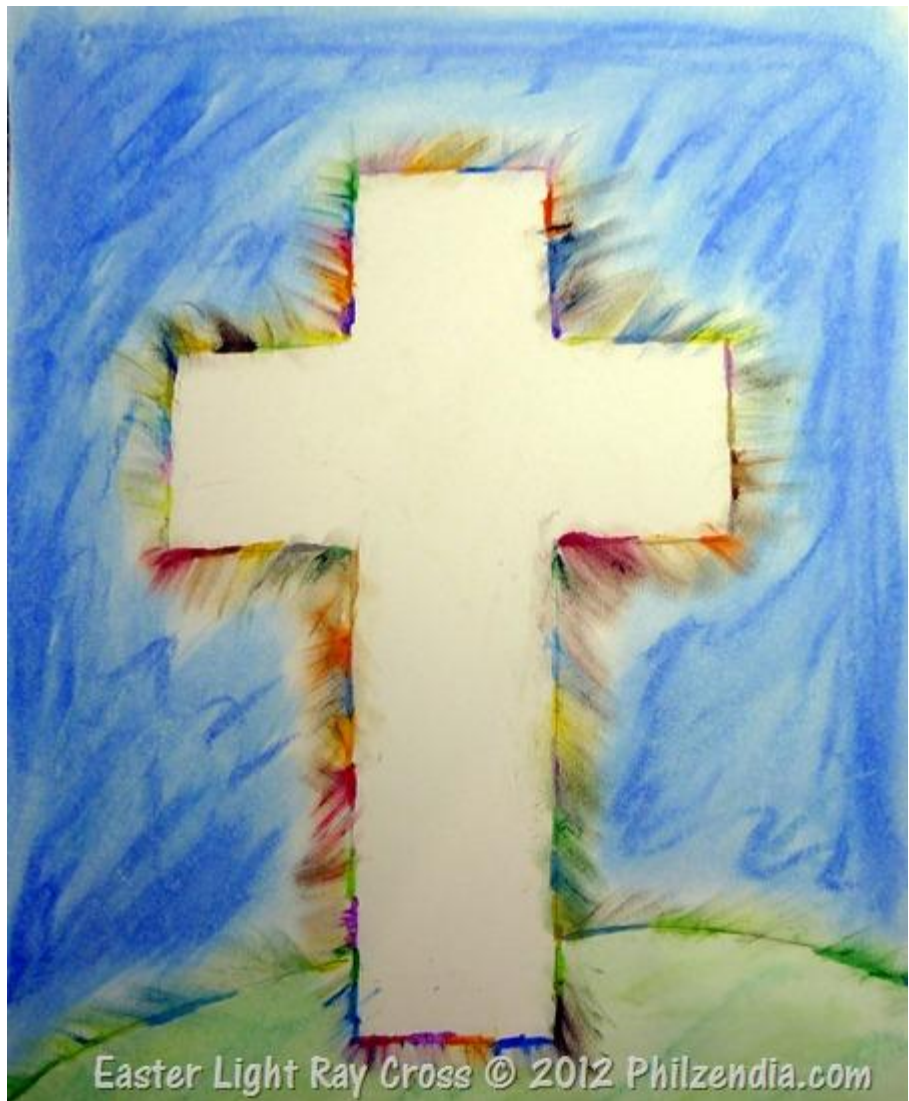
Jesus wasn't just the king of the Jews he was the king of the whole world, God's son, who never, ever did anything wrong. So why was he put on a cross like a very bad person who deserved to be punished? Why do we call this horrible day Good Friday?

<https://www.maynardsgroovytunes.co.uk/video/goodfriday>

Sing along – with actions. Look at the words carefully. How do the words help us understand what happened when Jesus died and why we call it Good Friday?

(In the Bible darkness is a sign of God's anger at sin. It went dark when Jesus died because he was carrying everyone's sin and dying so we don't have to. The Temple curtain stopped God's sinful people from approaching God. When Jesus died, he took our sin away meaning we can now be God's friends.)

See below



Put the card cross in the middle of a piece of paper. Try to keep it in place. Use coloured pencils or crayons to colour around the edge of the cross. Maybe do a background like in the picture. When you are finished take away the card cross to reveal the picture.

Pray

Say sorry to God for the wrong things we do that mean we should be separated from him.

Say thank you to God for Jesus dying for us so we can be God's friends.

Ask God to help people - ill people, doctors, nurses, family etc

Ask God to help us – be specific. Because of Jesus e can now be God's friends – he loves to hear and answer our prayers.