

## Second Sunday (Year C)

16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Preparing the prayer space

Place a green cloth on the table or floor (green – the colour for Ordinary time)

Place a cross, bible, and candle on it. Light the candle or use a battery-operated candle for safety. Add any other symbols relevant to your family.

### Prepare materials

- YouTube as listed on sheet: Scripture story and song
- Suggested activities: your choice or other related activity on sheet
- Print out sheet if required



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### Gather around the prayer space as a family

**Parent/Caregiver:** In today's gospel, we hear of Mary and Jesus at the Wedding at Cana.

### Opening prayer:

Lord God, let us go to Mary trusting that she will lead us closer to Jesus. Help us put our faith and trust in Jesus during our times of need.

### Gospel: A reading from the holy gospel according to John (2:1-11)

**All:** Glory to you O, Lord.

Two days later there was a wedding in the town of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine had given out, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no wine left."

"You must not tell me what to do," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."

Jesus' mother then told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

The Jews have rules about ritual washing, and for this purpose six stone water jars were there, each one large enough to hold about a hundred litres. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill these jars with water." They filled them to the brim, and then he told them, "Now draw some water out and take it to the man in charge of the feast." They took him the water, which now had turned into wine, and he tasted it. He did not know where this wine had come from (but, of course, the servants who had drawn out the water knew); so he called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone else serves the best wine first, and after the guests have had plenty to drink, he serves the ordinary wine. But you have kept the best wine until now!"

Jesus performed this first miracle in Cana in Galilee; there he revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

### The gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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### Prayerfully watch the video(s) together

Jesus Changes Water into Wine <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwIh-fDsvS0> (3:07min)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7plJa\\_qnVug](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7plJa_qnVug) (4:00min) or  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5vBxbuiq0> (12:37min)

### Scripture reflection and time of sharing:

I wonder how Mary knew about the wine...

I wonder why Mary told Jesus about the wine...

I wonder what Jesus meant when he said, 'my time has not yet come'...

I wonder what the servants were thinking when they watched Jesus...

I wonder what the disciples were thinking...

### Let us sing together our beliefs as Christians:

*I Believe* - John Burland ft. Genevieve Bryant <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mvYbfojVkgGQ> (4 mins)

**Intercessions:** Let us now spend some time in prayer asking God to listen to our needs.  
(*We respond to the prayers by saying the words 'Lord, hear our prayer'*)

1 We pray Pope Francis, Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, all Church and world leaders to lead the way for their communities, in love and compassion.  
Lord, hear us. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer

2 We pray for those people and families preparing to receive their Sacraments of Initiation this year, that they will come to know and love God more.  
Lord, hear us. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer

3 We pray that all the members of our Church will continue to have hope d troubling times.  
Lord, hear us. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer

4 We pause for a moment and pray in our hearts or aloud for any intentions or people we would like to pray for at this time (*pause*)  
Lord, hear us. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer

6 We pray for our world, especially for all those who are affected by sickness or death. May the Holy Spirit bring them peace and comfort.  
Lord, hear us. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer

**Closing prayer:** We lift our hearts and the prayers of our community. We make these prayers through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Closing song:** Water to Wine <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZUUEaXRvpJw>

### Follow up activity suggestions after the time of prayer has end.

- **Prayer journal**  
Write a prayer to Jesus in your prayer journal (special notebook).
- **Colouring In**  
<https://kidadl.com/free-coloring-pages/bible/jesus-and-the-wedding-feast-of-cana>
- **Wedding at Cana craft**  
Create the scene of Jesus changing water into wine  
<https://www.jesus-without-language.net/wedding-at-cana-john-2-make-1/>

#### **Sunday Connection**

*Consider how... festive occasions are images of God's tremendous love for us and examples of how we can show our love for one another.*

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/second-sunday-in-ordinary-time-c-sunday-connection/>