

FAMILY RESOURCES

TOMBS

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS: The raising of Lazarus (John 11:1-45)

Core extract from the Gospel (John 11: 38, 43-44; for reflection throughout the week)

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb.
It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.
Jesus cried with a loud voice,
‘Lazarus, come out!’
The dead man came out,
his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth,
and his face wrapped in a cloth.
Jesus said to them, ‘Unbind him, and let him go.’

Gospel prayer (for use throughout the week)

Lord Jesus Christ,
you called Lazarus from the tomb
and restored him to new life.
Call us from the prisons that surround us,
that we may be free to live the new life in you;
now and always.
Amen.

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Things to think about

- Why were people buried in tombs?
- Why was Jesus sad?
- How do you think Lazarus' friends felt when he was alive again?

Things to do

- Research the use of burial tombs in different cultures
- Make a model tomb using rocks, building bricks or boxes.
- Paper plate tomb

You will need: paper plate, scissors, glue, craft stick, ribbon or fabric, paper fastener, pen



Cut the paper plate in half and then cut out a smaller semi-circle.



Cut a larger semi-circle from the uncut half and fasten this with the paper fastener to the large half. This is your tomb.



Wrap a craft stick in ribbon or fabric as if it has been mummified. Draw a face in a gap in the cloth. Use the pieces to re-enact the story.

Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to! Please email any photos to education@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk or tag @LivCathedral on social media.

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