

# JULY 12: SEEDS AND SOIL BEAR FRUIT

## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### INCLUDED:

Pipe cleaners

Pom-poms

Bottle/vase

flowers

### USE YOUR OWN:

Scissors

Fabric glue (from earlier craft)



### MATTHEW 13:1-9

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear.”

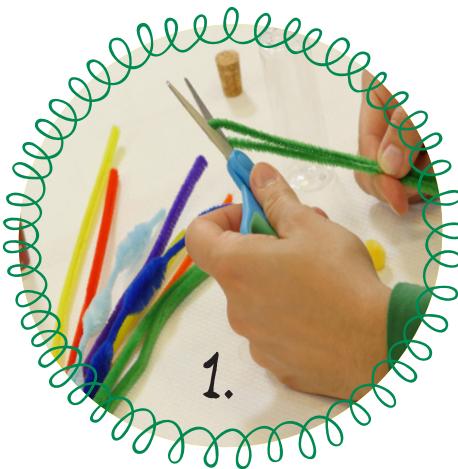
1. Jesus teaches with parables. What is a parable?

2. In the parable of the sower, where do the seeds land?

1. It is a story used to teach a lesson. It helps everybody understand things that are new or different to them.

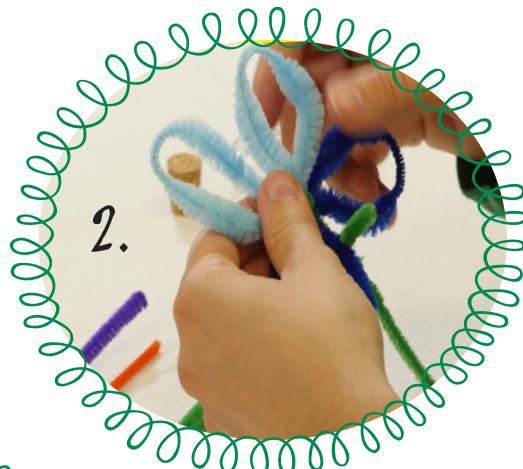
2. The seeds land on a path, on rocky ground, in thorns, and on good soil. Only the seeds on soil were able to grow and produce fruit.

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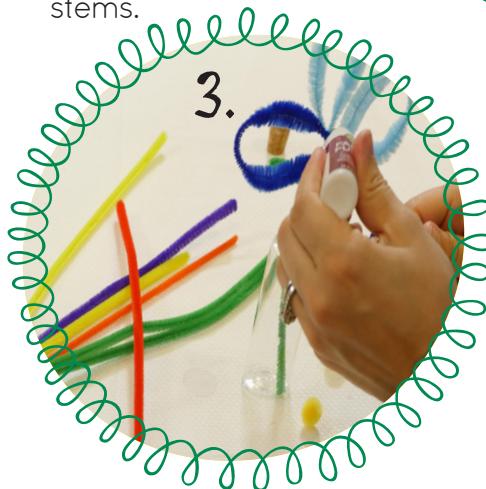
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1. You are making the plants that grew on rich soil and produced fruit! Use the green pipe cleaners as stems. Cut the green pipe cleaners in half. Each half is the stem for a flower. You can fold twist some of the green pipe cleaners onto stems to use as leaves.



2.

2. Get creative with the colorful pipe cleaners! Fold and twist pieces to create flowers for the tops of the stems.



3.

3. Use the fabric glue to secure the flowers. You can also use a dot of glue to put a yellow pom-pom in the center to make the anthers.

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- 1. Where did the seeds land that produce fruit?
- 2. How can we be rich soil?

- 1. They landed on good, rich soil.
- 2. We can ready for the seed of faith to grow in us. We water it with the Word of God and the sacraments, and we warm it with spending time with Jesus in prayer. Our faith becomes real and active. We bear fruit by living our faith and doing works of love.

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