## Children's Liturgy Session Lesson Plan July 7th ,2019

## Theme: We are Jesus Witness.

Make the children to stand in a circle

Bring to their mind that Jesus is standing in middle of the circle. Say 'hi' to Him. Prompt them to close our eyes for talking to Jesus in prayer.

Say a prayer in children's own words or do 'Our father' and 'Hail Mary' together

### Thanksgiving prayer: (optional)

Ask the Children to reflect on the past week and reflect on whether they would like to thank Jesus anything.

After each prayer respond: Thank you Jesus.

### The Sorry Prayer: (Optional)

Ask the Children to reflect on the past week and reflect on whether they would like to say sorry for anything they have done or said to someone, that must have hurt Lord Jesus.

After each prayer respond: Lord have mercy.

### **Gospel acclamation:**

Hallelujah for welcoming gospel

## Reading the gospel: (Luke 10:1-9)

#### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

#### Response: Glory to you, O Lord

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the labourer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter, and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"

#### This is the gospel of the Lord

Response: praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

**Activity:** A stick on activity is given to introduce the Gospel. Children are called in pairs to do the activity. A printout of a child is given along with cut outs of different outfits. The kids are asked to work in pairs to dress up the given picture of the child by choosing the correct outfits for **visiting a snowy place.** 

A feedback is asked from the teams regarding why they dressed the child so

# **Gospel Reflection:**

Make kids to sit in the circle itself. Bring Jesus who is sitting in middle to their notice and talk to him to speak through the story they heard.

## Let us ponder....

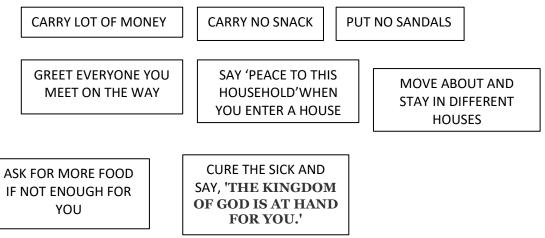
Today we heard Jesus calling 72 of his friends and sending them in pairs to every town and place Jesus intended to visit

Why did Jesus send them to places that He intended to visit before-hand?

What instructions did Jesus give them?

Flash cards are shown, and the children are asked to respond "YES" if the card shown is the right instruction that Jesus gave or to respond "NO" if it is wrong

FLASH CARD MESSAGES: -



Why did Jesus say to his friends, I am sending you like lambs among wolves?

# Wait for Children's Response

Jesus is sad that there are few helpers for Lord to reach the good news to all. So Jesus send his friends to places that He intended to visit, to proclaim the Good news. He did this to prepare the hearts of the people to receive Him and not to miss out His arrival. He asked His friends to follow certain things while going on their journey. He divided them to pairs so that they can help each other and only two so that not many rushes into a place. He asked them to be wise and true ,beware of the traps of evil.

While visiting certain places we might be asked to follow certain rules or signs or wear certain outfits etc. can you remember any such visits?

# Wait for Children's Response

We are instructed so in-order to make our trip a success and we are safe. In the same way Jesus wanted his friends' journey to be a success, they are safe and they accomplish what have been told, successfully preparing people to receive Him.

Let us imagine, what if there was lot of money with them; they might spend it and enjoy forgetting their missions?

What if there were lot of snacks??? They might have eaten and fell asleep half-way.

We are too friends of Jesus. Jesus is sending us too. Let us not be bothered about what we have or what we do not have. Let us trust in Jesus who can provide us with all and be His witness wherever He is calling us to go. Let us also wish "PEACE" and spread PEACE that Jesus has given us.

How would you tell everyone about Jesus?

## Wait for Children's Response

To tell about Jesus to everyone let us think ourselves what we know about Jesus and what He has done for us?

We can know more about Jesus from the Bible. Let us read Bible daily. Let us try to find out, how Jesus is helping us and what he is doing for us each moment. Let us not be too full with snacks, or money or parties but instead follow what Jesus is saying to us. So that we are also able to accomplish Jesus mission through us.

**Verses to remember (written on the white board):** 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"(Luke 10:9)

**Song:** Make me a channel of your peace.....Where there is hatred let me bring love Where there is injury, your pardon Lord...And where there is doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of your peace....Where there's despair in life let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light....And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek....So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand....To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.....It is in pardoning that we are pardoned It is in giving to all man that we receive.....And in dying that we're born to eternal life

## Thanksgiving prayer: -

Let us give thanks to our Lord who gave us Jesus, the way, the truth and the life and redeeming us from world to eternal life

Children take turns to thank God.

Intercession Prayers: If children have any personal prayer intentions, we pray for them.

And in response we pray: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers.

**Final Collect:** Lord Jesus thank you for loving us unconditionally. Help us to know you more and follow what you are saying to us by the power of holy spirit. We pray for all those who help you by spreading the Good news .Help us also to stand for you and help you by being the witnesses of the love you are giving us every moment, proclaiming to all that **'The kingdom of God is at hand"** so that your mission through us is accomplished in time. Amen

Children re-join the Holy Mass.

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