JULY 27, 2025

MYOCN PEW PALS



7th Sunday of Matthew



In today's Gospel, two blind men call out to Jesus, saying, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!" Even though they could not see, they believed in their hearts that Jesus could heal them. Because of their faith, Jesus touched their eyes and made them see. Then Jesus went on to heal many more people, even someone who could not speak. The people were amazed! But the Pharisees didn't want to believe. They doubted, even when they saw the miracles.

Faith means trusting in Jesus, even when we can't see or understand everything. Jesus brings healing, light, and joy into our lives when we believe and come to Him.

Family Homework

Blindfold Walk: One person wears a blindold and another guides them genty around the house. Discuss how it feels to trust someone to guide you, like we trust Jesus.

Play "Healing Helpers": Children pretend to be "doctors" like Saint Panteleimon, helping stuffed animals or family members, and saying a prayer for each one.

Memory Verse

"According to your faith, let it be to you. "
-Matthew 9:29





CRAFT - Eyes of Faith Mask

MATERIALS:

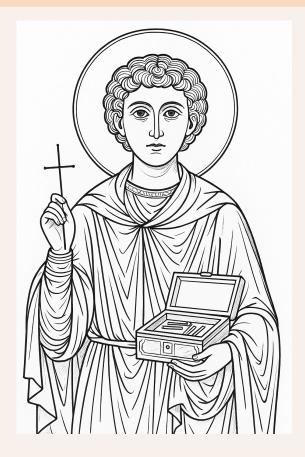
- Paper plate or Card-stock
- Scissors
- String or Popsicle Stick
- Crayons/Markers



INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Cut out a large eye mask shape.
- 2. Write "Lord, open our eyes to see You" across the top.
- 3. Decorate with happy colors, hearts, etc.
- 4. Use string to tie onto your face or attach a Popsicle stick to hold it.

The blind men couldn't see with their eyes, but they saw with their faith. We ask Jesus to help us see what matters—His love, His truth, and His people.



DISCUSSION PROMPT

"Why do you think the blind men could 'see' who Jesus was even though their eyes didn't work? What does it mean to see with your heart or your faith?"

SAINT STORIES

ST. PANTELEIMON

Saint Panteleimon was a doctor who lived a long time ago. He believed in Jesus and used his skills to heal people for free. Many were healed not just by his medicine, but through his prayers. Because of his faith and miracles, he is called an "Unmercenary Healer." He is a beautiful example of someone who trusted God and used his gifts to help others, just like Jesus in today's Gospel.

Saint Panteleimon reminds us that all talents we have—whether we are good at art, sports, school, or helping others—are gifts from God.
When we help others, we are showing God's love.

Commemorated on July 27