

# Journey to Easter Joy!

Welcome to the **CELEBRATE** Lent game, developed for children, families, schools and children's catechists.

## Game Preparation

**You will need:** A counter for each child  
2-4 players  
A dice

Cut out the **challenge cards** (separate sheet), and place downwards in a pile.

## How to play

Take turns to throw the dice and follow the journey from Lent to Easter. Who can get to Easter Sunday first?

There are things to do on the following spaces:



- **Question mark:** This is a challenge card! If you land on the **?** you need to complete a challenge card.



- **Footsteps:** talk about how Lent is going - what you are doing and why are you doing it?



- **Praying hands/rosary:** discuss who might need your prayers this Lent. Write a name down so you can remember to pray for them when you have family or class prayers.



- **Coins:** discuss what charity you could support this Lent and how.



- **Chocolate bar:** discuss what you could give up for Lent and why we give things up, or do things extra for Lent. Don't worry if things have slipped - start again from today!

- **Miss a go:** if you land on this, then miss a go!

- **Palm Sunday:** Jesus is called the king as he enters Jerusalem on a donkey. What other names can you think of for Jesus?

- **Good Friday:** Talk about why Jesus died on the cross.

- **Holy Saturday:** Get ready for Easter! After the game, make a poster and keep it ready to put on your window on Easter Sunday e.g. Christ is risen! Jesus is alive! Don't forget to decorate it!

- **Easter Sunday:** After the game, find and learn a joyful song to sing on Easter Sunday!





Stand on one leg and name 2 of the disciples.



Mime the animal Jesus rode into Jerusalem.



Do a star jump as you say each letter of Lent.



Say this tongue twister:  
**During Lent, Daniel ditched doughnuts, diligently dining on dried dates.**



**20 questions!**  
Choose a character from the Bible. Other players have 20 questions to work out who you've chosen. You can only answer **yes** or **no!**



**Hide a challenge!**  
Everyone closes their eyes and you hide a challenge card somewhere in the room. The first person to find it goes next. Play then resumes in a clockwise direction.

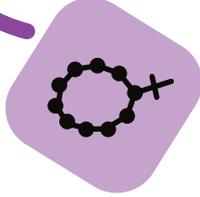


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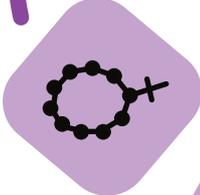


START

Ash  
Wednesday



Miss  
a go



Miss  
a go



Palm  
Sunday



Good  
Friday

Holy  
Saturday

Easter  
Sunday!

