



WELCOME TO THE  
ROYAL  
ART GALLERY



# Day 1

**Theme:** Mary said “Yes” to God and became the Mother of Jesus. Mary is also our mother.

**Virtue:** Obedience (doing God’s will; following his commandments)

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## VBS TREASURE BOX

### Theme Connection:

What would a Cool Kingdom Party be without a VBS Treasure Box? This craft will remind us how we need to treasure Mary and Jesus in our hearts. This Treasure Box will be a great keepsake for all your VBS items such as saint cards, Kingdom Cards and prizes. It might also come in handy to collect coins to tithe at Mass.

### You’ll need:

- Small wooden craft box (1/child)  
*Variety of craft boxes are available at dollar stores or from [www.orientaltrading.com](http://www.orientaltrading.com)*
- Kingdom Clipart (download)
- Colored tape
- Markers
- Stickers, foam letters, craft jewels, etc.
- Scissors and glue
- (Opt.) Hot glue gun and coins

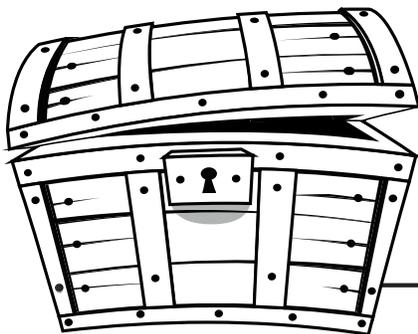


### Prep:

- Print and pre-cut clipart for younger children.

### Activity:

1. Write your name on the bottom of your treasure box.
2. Decorate it with tape, stickers, clipart, jewels, etc.



**“Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.”**

**Luke 2:19**

# MUGS FOR MOMS

## Theme Connection:

Mary is our spiritual mom in heaven and because of her YES to God we have the gift of eternal life through her son Jesus. Each of our moms said yes to God too, by giving us life. We can thank them by making a Mug for Mom!

## You'll need:

- DIY Mugs (1/child)  
([www.orientaltrading.com](http://www.orientaltrading.com))
- Colored markers or crayons
- Mugs for Mom templates (download)



## Activity:

1. Color one of the mug templates or create your own drawing.
2. Insert the colored template into the mug.
3. Tell your mom to remove the paper insert before washing the mug.

# SWEET TREATS FOR MOM

## Theme Connection:

Mary is our Blessed Mother who loves and cares for all of us. Our own moms take great care of us too, and sometimes they need a little bit of encourage“mint”. Your mom will love these sweet treats to go along with this special note. *Read the front and back of the note.*

## You'll need:

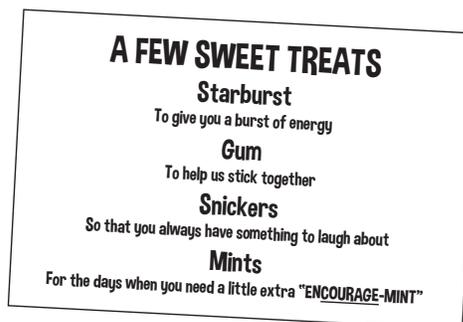
- Sweet Treats for Mom Cards (1/child) (download)
- Plastic sandwich bags (1/child)
- Colored markers
- Mini Snickers Bar and Starburst (1/child)
- Individually wrapped gum and mints (1/child)

## Prep:

- Print and cut cards. (*Preferably on cardstock*)

## Activity:

1. Color the card and draw a picture on the inside.
2. Put the card in the bag along with one Snickers, one Starburst, one mint, and a piece of gum.
3. Put the treat bag on your mom's bed to surprise her.



# FINGER PUPPETS

## Theme Connection:

Mary was a real person who walked, talked, ate, and played just like you and I.

With these finger puppet characters, you can act out stories about Mary and Jesus with your friends.

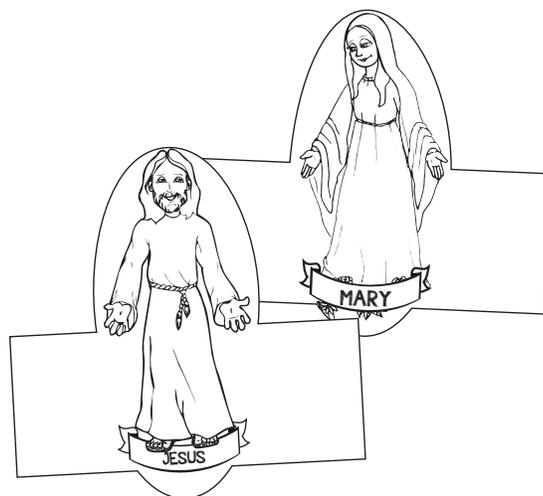
## You'll need:

- Finger Puppets (*download*)
- Markers or crayons
- Scissors and tape

## Activity:

1. Color and cut out your finger puppets.
2. Put your name on the back of each finger puppet.
3. Ask a leader to help tape them together.
4. Put them on your fingers and act out a story.

*When kids finish their crafts, these finger puppets are fun to color and play with throughout the week.*



# COLOR ME T-SHIRT

## Theme Connection:

These Color Me T-Shirts are a lot of fun! They'll be a great keepsake of your Cool Kingdom Party VBS and a wonderful reminder us that King Jesus and Queen Mary are always with us.

## You'll need:

- White Color Me T-Shirt (*1/child*)  
*T-Shirt graphic is available to download.*
- Fabric pens or washable markers
- (*Opt. for leaders*) Iron

## Prep:

- Email the graphic to your local t-shirt printing company a few weeks in advance.

## Activity:

1. Color your Cool Kingdom T-Shirt with markers and wear it to VBS each day.
2. Have your friends autograph the back of your t-shirt.



*Leaders: If using fabric pens, heat set the color designs with an iron. (prevents fading during the wash cycle) If using washable markers, colors will disappear in the wash cycle and kids can color their shirts over again.*