



Hello Messy Church,

Great to be back with you for another week. We trust you are all keeping well and we long for the day when we can all be back at Messy Church at All Saints, or High Cross. However, till then we shall continue to meet with the help of the internet.

This week we are looking at the life of Saul, who became known as Paul. Paul saw such a dramatic change to his life when he became a follower of Jesus, he changed his name! As we watch the story, and make the pizza and craft we can carry on thinking about how Jesus can bring change to all our lives.

If you would to make contact with us, then please do – we would love to hear from you. As the rules around lockdown change in the coming days this can bring a sense of relief, as well as uncertainty at the same time. So if we can be praying for you, and those you are concerned about – then please ask.

Bye for now

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1. Recipe for making your own pizzas

The pizza base:

You could make your own pizza base with flour and yeast but it's hard to find yeast in the shops at the moment. Alternatively you could buy a pizza mix or a ready-made pizza base.

For the topping:

First you need a layer of tomato. I suggest you use passata or tomato puree. If you use puree mix it with a little water so it spreads more easily. You could use a tin of chopped tomatoes. If you do, mush it up well maybe with some garlic and a pinch of thyme.

Then add a layer of cheese, mozzarella or cheddar.

After that put on whatever you like on top. For example ham, pineapple, olives, peppers cherry tomatoes, tuna, sweetcorn, courgette, basil, mushrooms or anchovies.

Then put your pizza into a hot oven, Gas No 6 or 200C for 10-15 minutes. Keep an eye on it. Sometimes it seems to cook very quickly!



Watch Judy making pizza's on our Messy Church video this week.

2. Messy Church Courtyard

You will need: empty junk boxes, packets, tubes, pots and so on; scissors; glue; sticky tape; pens; paper

I wonder what the house in Damascus was like, where Saul was taken? Pictures of old houses in Damascus show rounded arches around courtyards inside the house, with beautiful tiled floors and walls, lots of green plants and often a pool with a fountain in the centre of the courtyard. Try making a small version of the courtyard of Judas' house in Straight Street out of the bits and pieces you've collected. Maybe you could even make tiny mosaic tiles? You could make small figures from today's story to act out what happened – Judas who owned the house (this was a different Judas from the one who betrayed Jesus), Saul and Ananias who was a Jesus-follower.

Talk about how the Jesus-followers like Ananias might have felt when they found out they'd got this dangerous man in their city. What could they have done to Saul while he was unable to see, eat or drink? When they eventually baptised him, do you think they might have used that pool in the courtyard?



Make sure you watch our Messy Church video – it's great to see it being created by Jill!

3. Video

A video to retell the story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLZ67inPx-4>