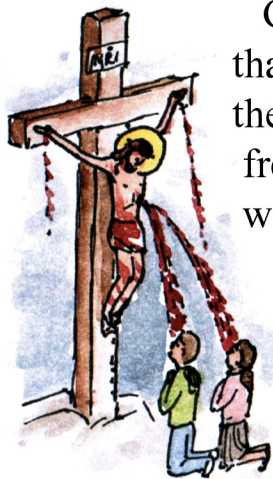


God Washes Away our Sins

In the time of Noah, the people had forgotten about God. They only cared about themselves. They didn't care if they sinned against God or against each other. Only Noah and his family still remembered God and tried to do what was right.



God let a flood destroy all the people other than Noah's family. He wanted to wipe out the sins of the world and give people a fresh start at living in peace with Him. He washed the sins away with the great flood.

But the people still sinned, just like we do even after we have been baptized. So Jesus did something that would have the power to take away all the sins that are ever committed. He died on the cross, letting His blood wash away our sins. Now all we have to do is be sorry and turn to God and accept the forgiveness that He is waiting to give us in Confession.

BLESS ME,
FATHER...



Answers: Front page: Noah's ark
Inside: He was tempted by the devil.

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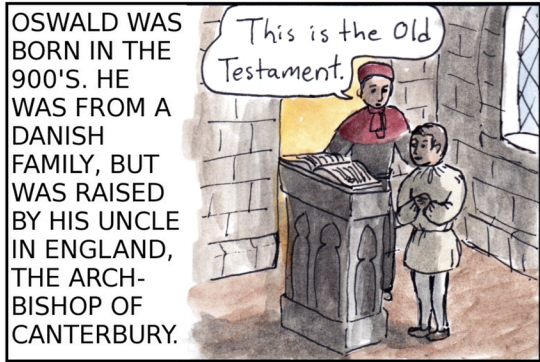


What was the story mentioned in today's first reading that talks about God washing away the sins of the world and making a covenant with His people?

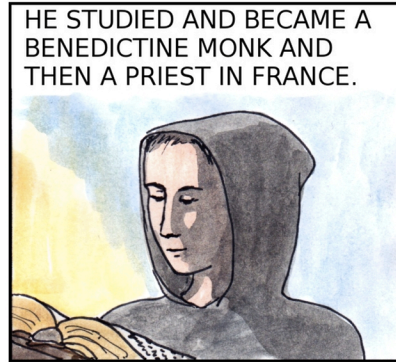
Connect the dots to find out what the story was about!

Saint Oswald

February 28



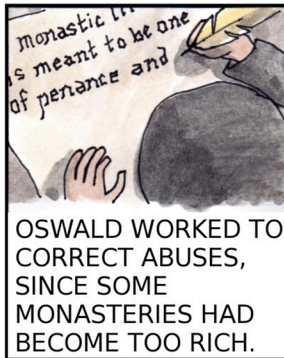
OSWALD WAS BORN IN THE 900'S. HE WAS FROM A DANISH FAMILY, BUT WAS RAISED BY HIS UNCLE IN ENGLAND, THE ARCH-BISHOP OF CANTERBURY.



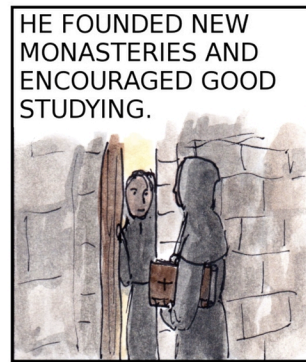
HE STUDIED AND BECAME A BENEDICTINE MONK AND THEN A PRIEST IN FRANCE.



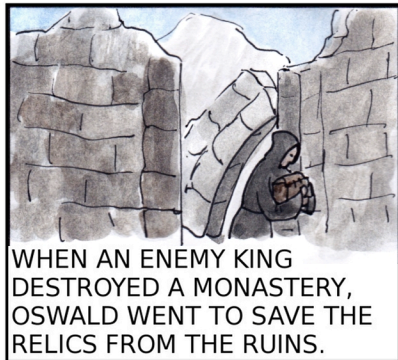
WHEN HE WENT BACK TO ENGLAND HE WAS MADE A BISHOP.



OSWALD WORKED TO CORRECT ABUSES, SINCE SOME MONASTERIES HAD BECOME TOO RICH.



HE FOUNDED NEW MONASTERIES AND ENCOURAGED GOOD STUDYING.



WHEN AN ENEMY KING DESTROYED A MONASTERY, OSWALD WENT TO SAVE THE RELICS FROM THE RUINS.



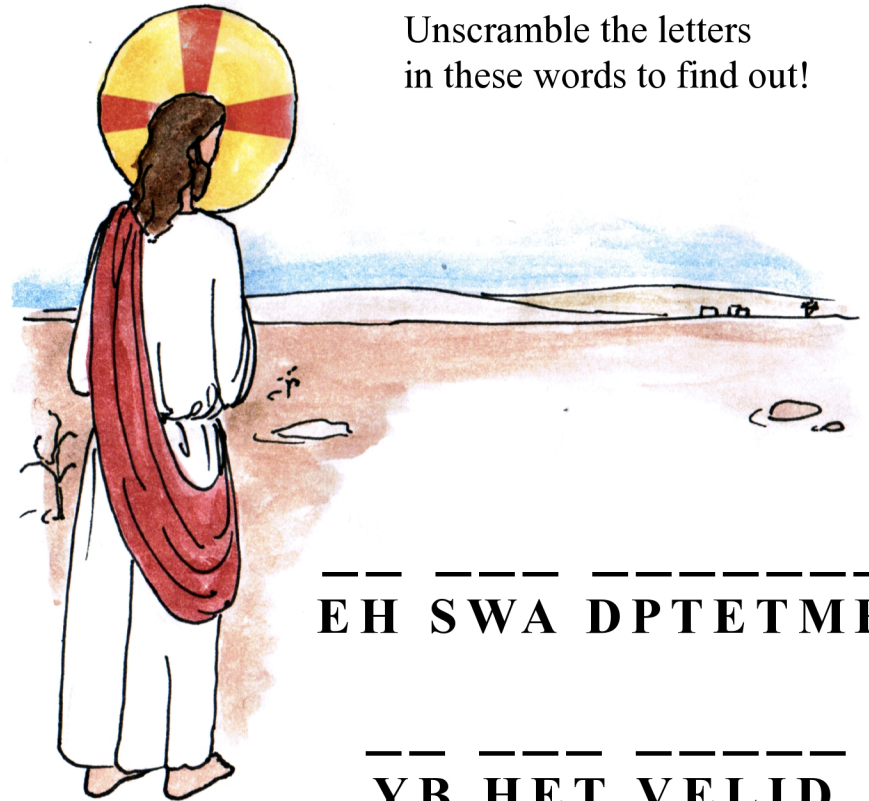
KNOWN FOR HIS KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY, EVERY DAY IN LENT HE WOULD WASH THE FEET OF TWELVE POOR MEN. HE DIED ONE DAY JUST AS HE FINISHED WASHING THEM!

SAINT OSWALD WAS ONE OF THE HEROES OF THE MONKS IN ENGLAND. HE KNEW THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE HOLY MEN PRAYING, WORKING AND STUDYING TO STAY CLOSE TO GOD AND TO KEEP THE PEOPLE OF THE CHURCH CLOSE TO GOD. HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A MONK OR A NUN?

JESUS IN THE DESERT

Today's Gospel reading tells us that Jesus was fasting in the desert for forty days. He was preparing Himself for His special work.

We know that Jesus was a real person. He was just like we are except that He never sinned. There was something that happened when He was in the desert that shows us that He had to decide between right and wrong just like we do. What was it?



Unscramble the letters in these words to find out!

EH SWA DPTETME

YB HET VELID