



# The Kids' Catholic Virginian

“Let the little children come to me” – Matthew 19:14

## AMAZEING Christmas puzzle fun!

### Christmas Word-Find

BETHLEHEMD  
 MNJESPOORO  
 OIMCJESUSN  
 TGAHOXENTK  
 HHNRSCUMAE  
 ETGIEOBABY  
 RSESPDLRLW  
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BABY  
 BETHLEHEM  
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 JESUS  
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 MANGER  
 MARY  
 MOTHER

NAZARETH  
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 POOR  
 STABLE  
 STAY  
 WRAPPED

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Help the shepherds find their way to Bethlehem to see baby Jesus



### Ask the Bishop



**Q.** What is the best Christmas gift you received as a child? – Lucia, 10, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Newport News

**A.** Each year, my parents would let us look through the Sears catalog to pick out what we hoped to receive as a gift from Santa. When I was a kid, I loved LEGOs! They were much simpler back then – no fancy sets like now. They basically only had flat pieces, square bricks, maybe windows or round pieces – but I still really liked them and would play with them all year long.

**Q.** What is your favorite Christmas movie? – Zelig, 5, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Newport News

**A.** I always enjoyed “It’s a Wonderful Life” – and watching the change in George Bailey, who isn’t a bad person at all. He’s just going through a tough time and ends up seeing all the good in his life.

I also really like all the variations of “A Christmas Carol” – there are so many different versions, and I think the recent ones are very well done. They make you think a lot about how Ebenezer Scrooge changed for the better and Jacob Marley’s role in his conversion.

**Q.** What is your crozier made out of? – Elizabeth Irene Sigmon, 8, St. Benedict Parish, Richmond

**A.** Bishops don’t just have one crozier, and I have a few that I use.

The one I use each week for Mass is made of wood – so it’s big and heavy. It was a gift from the priests in the Archdiocese of Washington. The first time I saw it was the day I was consecrated a bishop!

For solemn celebrations, I use a crozier that is gilded with gold. It was already here at the diocese when I arrived. I use it because I like the way it looks – it’s simple, but still looks special. There are other croziers here that have many decorations and designs. I think it should look noble, but simple, to reflect the tradition of our Mass.

I have a third crozier that’s a “travel crozier” – it’s handmade out of wood and looks very simple. It’s fairly light and easy to travel with – plus, I don’t worry that it will get dented or scratched if it falls or gets knocked over.

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