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Saint

GEORGE PREGA

Have you ever heard of St George?

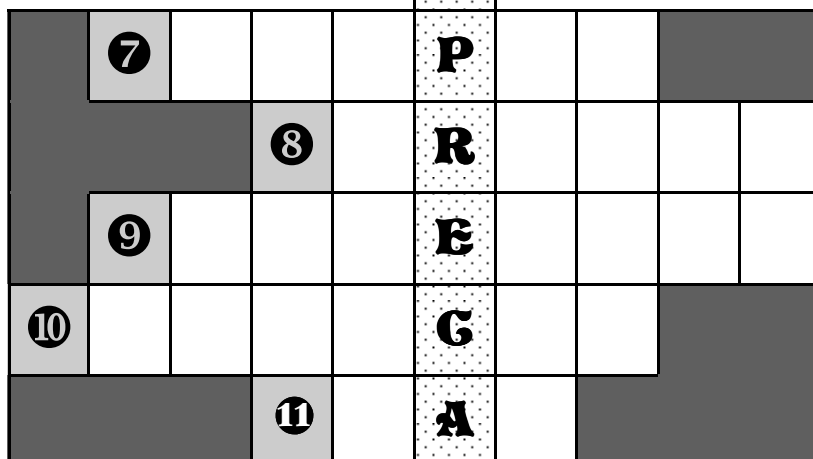
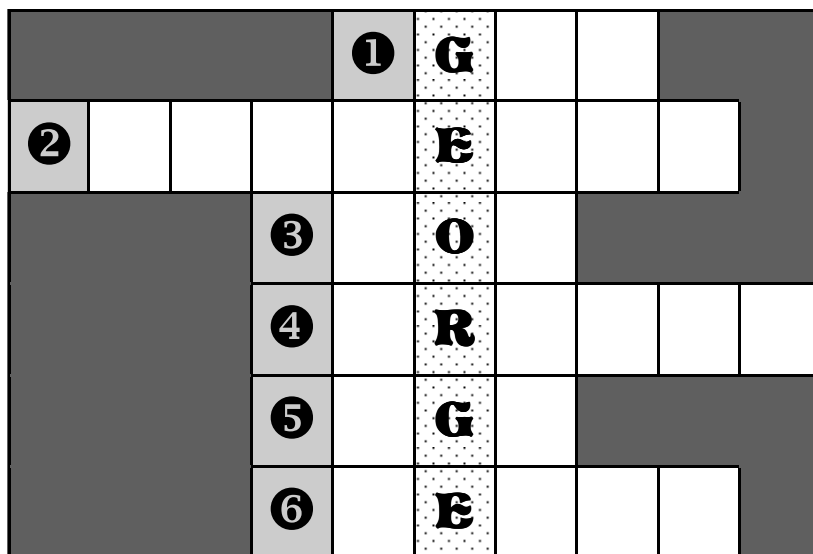
No, not the one with the dragon!

There is a **NEW** Saint George! He was a Catholic priest who worked hard to help children and adults become better friends of Jesus.

Pope Benedict declared him a saint on 3rd June 2007.



Use the following clues to fill in the crossword and find out more about his life. (See pictures and information at the back of this sheet.)



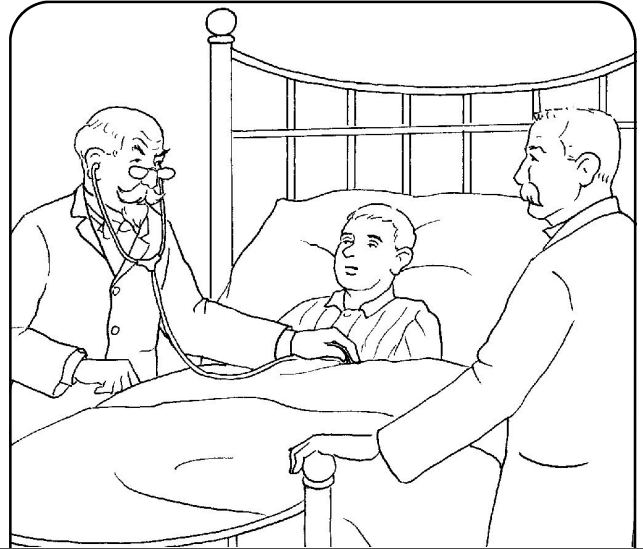
- Saints are people who lived a holy life and are now in heaven with _____.
- St George was born in V_____, the capital city of Malta.
- He was the third ___ of Vincent and Nathalie.
- George felt God was calling him to become a _____.
- He started a new group called SDC, exactly 100 years ____, in 1907.
- He wanted people in his Society to _____ catechism to others.
- Many _____ listened to his talks and sought his advice on many personal matters.
- He was also the _____ of over 100 books.
- Fr George was declared saint by Pope _____ on 3rd June 2007
- This took place at the _____ city in Rome, Italy.
- His feast day is celebrated every year on the 9th _____.

SNAPS SHOTS FROM HIS LIFE

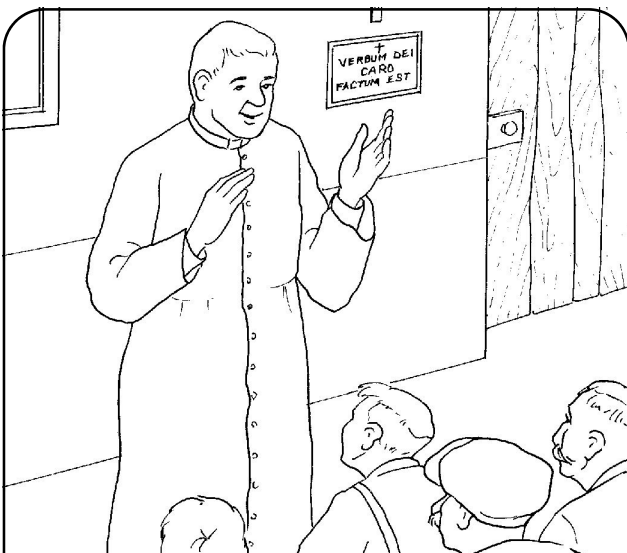
Colour in the drawings below and read about a few important events in the life of St George Preca. (Some of this information can help you complete the crossword overleaf).



St George was born in Valletta, Malta on the 12th February 1880. He was baptised in the church of St Dominic. His parents were Vincent and Nathalie.



While studying to become a priest, George was in danger of losing his life due to a lung disease. His parents and doctor were very worried but he recovered and was ordained priest at the age of 26.



Soon after becoming a priest, St George continued to meet with the young people he had met in his parish. This was the beginning of SDC, the Society he started for people who wanted to become catechists and to teach others.



At the age of 82, George fell seriously ill. He was still conscious and insisted on reading the Gospel even on his deathbed. He died on Thursday 26th July, 1962.

FIND OUT MORE.

To find out more about St George Preca, his work and his Society visit our website www.sdc.me.uk or email us on info@sdc.me.uk. You could also write to us at **SDC, 38 Ryefield Road, London SE19 3QU.**

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