PETER AND THE KINGDOM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Who do you say I am?

Blessed are you, Simon, Son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father in heaven.

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven...

Soon I must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering and be killed and on the third day be raised.

You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God!

GUESS!!

The Transfiguration is a sign of the

of our ____ at the end of time.

God forbid it Lord! This must never happen to you!

Get behind me Satan! You are setting your mind not on things divine, but on human things. If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross, and follow me.



[AFTER HE HAD SEEN JESUS TRANSFIGURED]
Lord it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.

1

Read the conversations $^{\&}$ between Jesus and Peter.

[Matthew 16:13-17:9]

- What is the significance of the name 'Peter'?
- 2. What did Jesus mean by saying 'the gates of Hades will not prevail' over the Church?
- 3. What is the significance of 'handing over the keys'?
- 4. Who represents Peter and the other apostles today?

2

SAINT AUGUSTINE SAID:

"Peter did not understand when he wanted to remain with Christ on the mountain...It has been reserved for you, Peter, but for after death. For now, Jesus says, 'Go down to toil on earth, to serve on earth, to be scorned and crucified on earth.'"

- What message of Jesus did Peter fail to understand?
- Do Christians nowadays also fail to understand? Give a practical example to show this.

At home:

WRITE DOWN THE NAMES OF THE 12 APOSTLES CHOSEN BY JESUS: