

St Thomas' Day is celebrated on 3rd July, so this week's focus is on St Thomas. After Jesus' resurrection, Thomas recognised Jesus by his voice and the marks on his hands and side. (The story is in John 20:24-29.) Thomas then helped other people to recognise Jesus. As you colour the attached sheet together, talk about how people can recognise that we are followers of Jesus.

This animation from Saddle back Kids tells the story of Jesus and Thomas. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A_QcGnwilXI



[Jesus Appears to Thomas](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A_QcGnwilXI)

This animated bible story for kids is based on John 20:24-31.

[www.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A_QcGnwilXI)

Here's a version of the story of Jesus and Thomas using Lego. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYmJSMe3AU8>



["Jesus Appears to Thomas" | \(LEGO Bible Short\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYmJSMe3AU8)

He is risen indeed! Experience this amazing Bible story from John 20 in this LEGO scene created using footage taken from "The Bible: A Brickfilm" Enjoy! Happy Easter.

[www.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYmJSMe3AU8)

Flame has lots of ideas for games to explore the story of Jesus and Thomas. <http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/2014/04/doubting-thomas-recognising-jesus-games.html>

[Flame: Creative Children's Ministry: Doubting Thomas: Recognising Jesus Games and Prayer Activity](#)

This Sunday the lectionary covers the story of Thomas being invited to touch the wounds of the risen Jesus and recognise him. A lot of the time when we cover this story with children we focus of the idea of faith and being able to believe even though we don't see.

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Learn the Lord's Prayer together in British Sign Language <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q1iG0JaetSA>



[The Lord's Prayer in British Sign Language \(BSL\)](#)

Rev Mary Whittaker shows how to sign the Lord's Prayer using BSL.

www.youtube.com

St Thomas was also called Didymus which means 'the Twin'. If you know any twins, why not send them a card and tell them about St Thomas?

If you would like a structure, try this:

- If you have the game 'Guess Who?' play a few rounds. There's an online version here <https://eslkidsgames.com/esl-guess-who>)
- Read the story of Thomas in a Bible story book or watch one of the videos.
- Thomas later helped other people to recognise Jesus. As you colour the attached sheet together, talk about how we might help people recognise Jesus.
- Choose one of the Flame Creative ideas to do together.
- In your prayers, ask God to help you recognise Jesus this week. Finish with the Lord's Prayer - maybe in BSL.

