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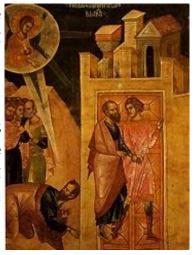
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On January 25 we celebrate a special Feast Day in the Catholic Church. It is called the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, the Apostle. The word "conversion" means to change.

Saint Paul lived 2,000 years ago. His name used to be Saul, and he was mean to Christians. But then one day when he was on the road to a city called Damascus, he heard the voice of the risen Jesus speak to him. Saul changed his life and did not hurt Christians anymore. He became known as Paul, and he became a follower of Jesus.



Conversion of Saint Paul

Saint Paul traveled on journeys to teach others about

Along the way he was even Location: Decani Monastery, Serbia Jesus. shipwrecked and put into jail. But he never stopped telling others about Jesus. He wrote letters to the Christians in the cities he had visited. We still read his letters today. Listen very closely to the second reading from the Bible at Mass on Sundays. It is often from one of the Letters of Saint Paul.

When you celebrate the Conversion of Saint Paul on January 25, think of how Saint Paul changed. And think of one way you can change to be more like Jesus, too.

Activity: Draw a picture of Saint Paul traveling on a ship. Write one thing about Jesus you think Saint Paul will tell the people he is going to visit.