

Gift the Holy Spirit

The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit.

- DIVYA IMMANUEL » MUMBAI, INDIA



Materials Required:

1. Chart Paper or any thick coloured paper
2. Pencil, Eraser, Scale (sketch pens if required)
3. Scissors

Procedure

1. Cut the paper into two squares measuring 6x6 inches and 5.7x5.7 inches.
2. Cut a strip of white thick white paper measuring 9x2 inches.
3. Take one square piece of paper and fold it into half. Open it and repeat for the other side.
4. Now spread open the sheet, take one tip of the paper and bring it to the centre as shown in the image. Do this for all corners.

5. Now open the triangles of opposite sides. Take the folded side and bring it to the centre as shown in the image. Repeat for the other side. Close the two opened triangles. Open the other two triangles and do the same. Do not close back the triangles. Hold it as shown in the image.

6. You will see a square tracing on the flat surface of the paper. Holding the two ends where you see the crease, bring it up pushing the sides inside. Refer picture.

7. Now fold it to the inside one more time, making sure all three sides are aligned and at equal width. Repeat for the other side also. One side of your box is ready.

8. Repeat this process for the second square piece of paper. Fit one box inside the other.

9. Now take the strip of paper and mark a rectangle leaving half an inch each on the longer side and 1 inch each on the shorter side. (Refer to the diagram given below)

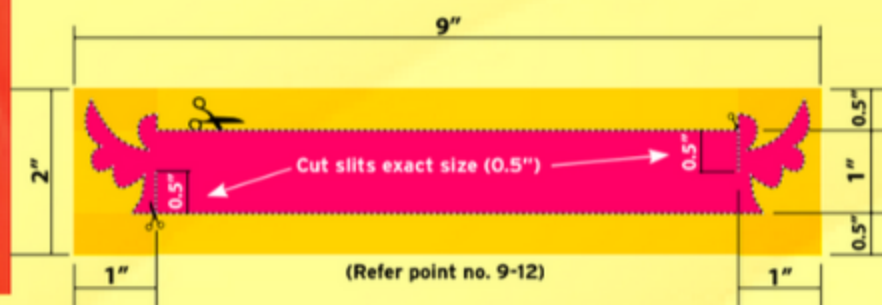
10. Draw the image of half a dove on the shorter side of the strip as shown in the picture.

11. Now cut the outline of the dove along with the 1 inch strip of paper.

12. Fold the dove where the line is and cut through the line from the tail towards head. Do not cut the head. For the other dove, cut through the line from the head; do not cut the tail.

13. Now place the box over the strip and fold from below making sure the dove sit on top in the centre.

14. Hold the two doves on the same side and slide it through the cut.



Activity

To use for gifting, you may add a prayer as shown in the image or place a rosary, medals of saints, etc. You can use these gift boxes for birthdays, feast days, return gifts, or other occasions.

Tips

1. Make sure to have the measurements correct.
2. Press hard for a sharp crease to get a good creased box.
3. While using a thick paper, you might want to use your scale to make the crease. Make sure the alignment is correct for all the folds.
4. Parents' help may be required for younger kids.