

# Instructions for the Printable Flower Bouquet and Vase

To create this you will need:

- the printable pages: - follow this page
- colored pencils or crayons
- scissors
- stapler or tape (we used a stapler)
- glue or glue stick
- 7 oz. disposable plastic cup - ours were 3 1/2 inches tall.
- a sheet of green tissue paper
- a sheet of green construction paper



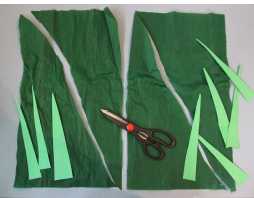
First print the pages (regular paper is fine). Color the Mary and Jesus image, the butterflies and flowers. If you are giving this as a gift, you can write a message to the recipient in the boxed area below Mary. Note: the printable does not have the writing under Mary as it's pictured in the image above. We added that to this sample. Once you have colored it the way you like, cut out all the parts.



Staple (or tape) the one end of the Mary box to the other - to form a tube. Add the 7 oz. plastic disposable cup to the inside of the tube and staple the top of it to the top of the paper tube (in the back) Be sure it's sitting level before you staple it. Note: The paper tube is not tight around the cup. If you make it tight it is more likely to wrinkle and/or fall over. The plastic cup will help keep your flowers and greens from falling out.



Now, fold the butterflies in half and open them up again. Staple the middle of the butterfly to the area around image of Mary. (Or tape it down) This will give them a flying-3D look.



Cut your sheet of tissue paper in half. Then cut each half in half again - diagonally.

Take the middle of each part and form a point. Stuff the point into the cup along with some green leaf-like strips, which were cut from the green construction paper. If you don't have green tissue paper you can just fill the cup with green strips of paper, but the tissue is much better filler.



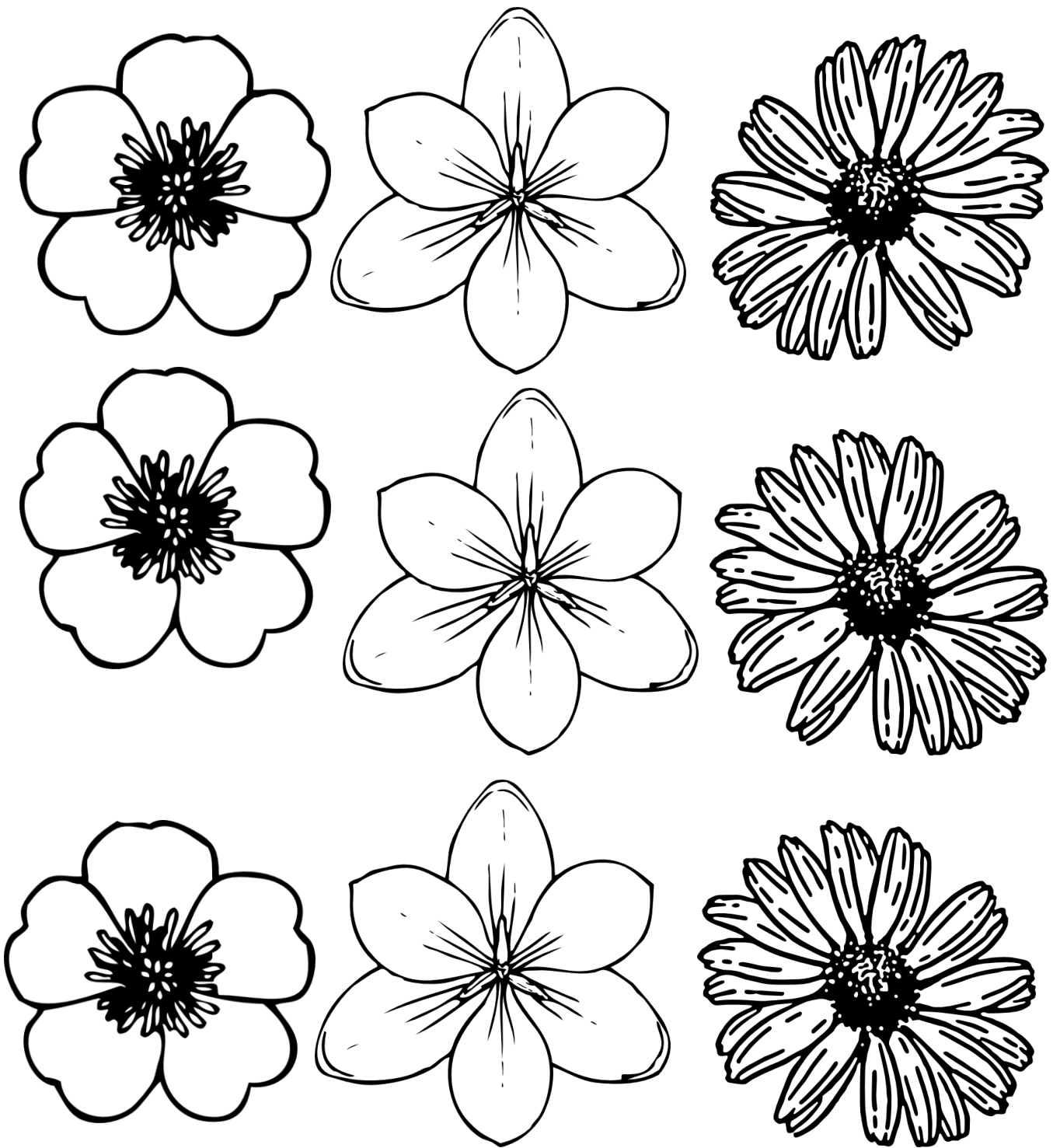
Now fluff-out the greens. Some kids may fluff theirs out so much it will make these kind of top heavy. When they finish creating them they often sit fine. But if it's frustrating to the child, add a few small rocks to the bottom of the cup.



Use a glue stick to attach the flowers to the greenery.

There you have it - a beautiful bouquet! You're ready to be a florist!! :-)

This bouquet craft can be enjoyed by a wide variety of ages. Obviously, the quality will not be as great for younger kids, but they can still enjoy it.



See a picture tutorial for this project on: [www.CatholicInspired.com](http://www.CatholicInspired.com)  
<http://www.catholicinspired.com/2015/04/create-paper-vase-and-bouquet-for-your.html>

