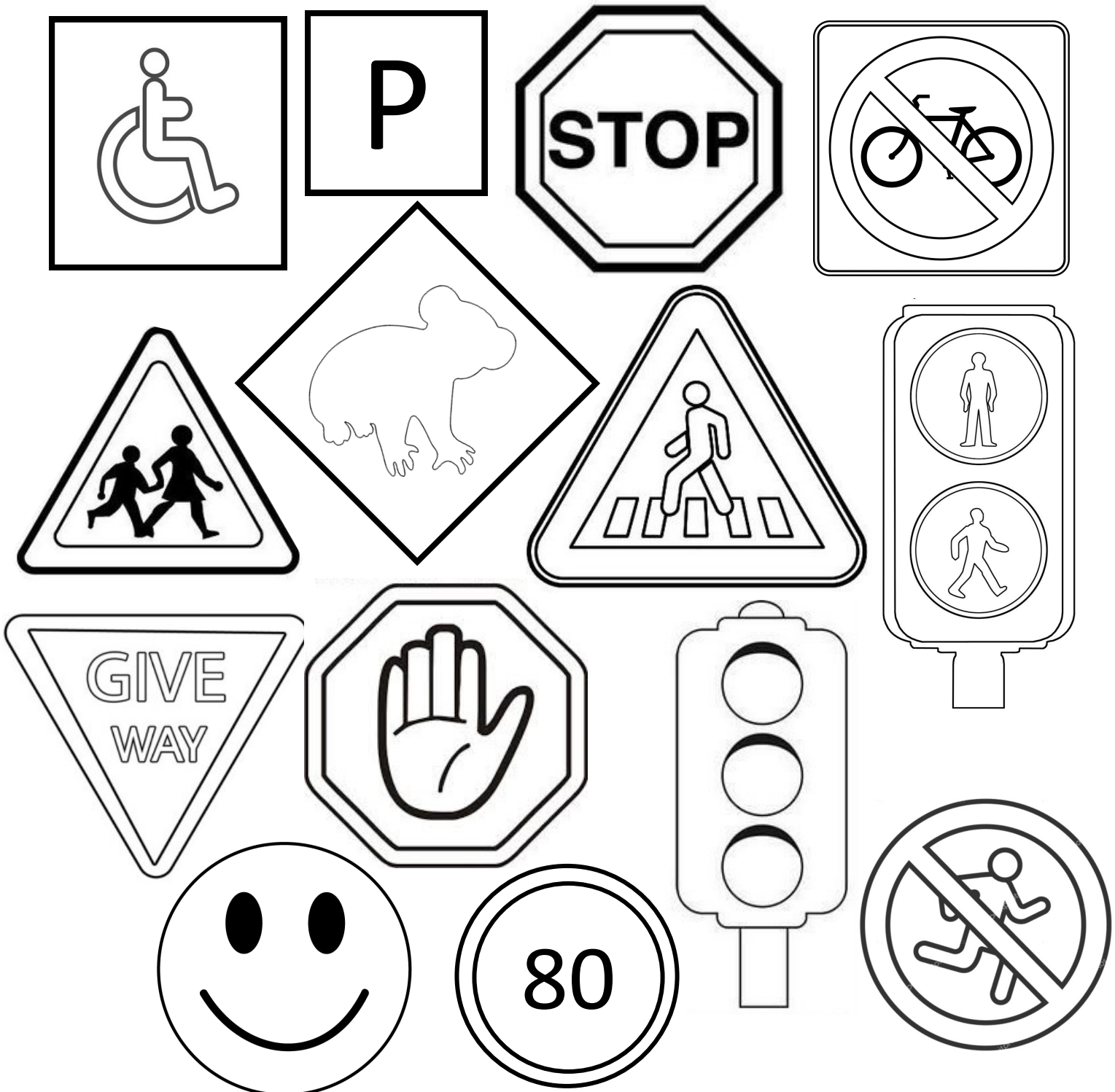


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Do you worry about things? What can we do to help when we are worried? A lot of children have a Teddy Bear or another stuffed toy, or even a favourite blanket that they like to hug when they are afraid, sick, or upset. Have you ever had a favourite cuddly toy or a security blanket? Did it help you to feel better when you were afraid or when you were sick? Perhaps the Holy Spirit is like a teddy bear or a warm cuddly blanket.

It also helps if we can have signs to show us the way. There are many signs and symbols that help us in our daily lives. Can you identify these signs and symbols? Talk about what they are called and how they help us, and colour them in.



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Colour the symbols that help us know that Jesus loves us and that the Holy Spirit is with us. Choose the one that you like best. Cut it out, glue it onto cardboard, punch a hole in the top and thread some ribbon through it to make a medallion. You can wear it to remind you that the Holy Spirit is with you throughout the day.

Or make a bracelet for your wrist:

Cut a 5cm or so piece off the end of a cardboard roll. Slit the roll vertically so you can fit it over your wrist. Glue the medallion to the roll and wear it as a bracelet.

