



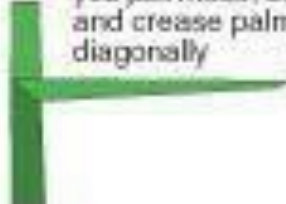
As we approach Easter, we think of Jesus and the cross. Jesus died for us on the cross. These crosses can be made from flax, which is found in your garden or on the edge of parks. Cut some flax leaves, split them and then split each one into long strips of 1 cm wide. Follow the instructions for the palm crosses below. Place the completed crosses around your house and next to your teddy bears in the window.

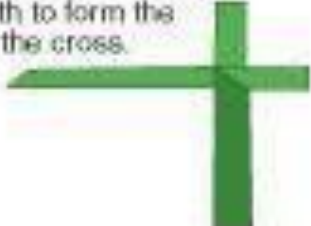
## How to make a palm cross


- 1** Take a palm that is about 2 feet long and 1/2" wide (if it tapers at the top, this is good). Hold the palm upright, so the tapered end points toward the ceiling.



- 2** Then bend the top end down and toward you.



- 3** About a third of the way from the bend you just made, bend and crease palm diagonally.



- 4** About an inch away from the stem of the cross, bend the palm back behind the stem so that it is now facing to your left. Make the bend at a good length to form the right arm of the cross.



- 5** Fold that same section at a point that equals the length on the right side, bend it on the left side and bring the end forward.



- 6** From the center of the cross, fold to the upper right so that it can wrap around where the "stem" and the right arm intersect.


- 7** Fold down and to the left behind the cross ...


- 8** and then fold it toward the right so that it is parallel and under the arms of the cross.


- 9** Bring it up behind the cross again, this time folding it up toward the northwest direction.


- 10** Tuck in the end to finish.


- 11** Turn over!

