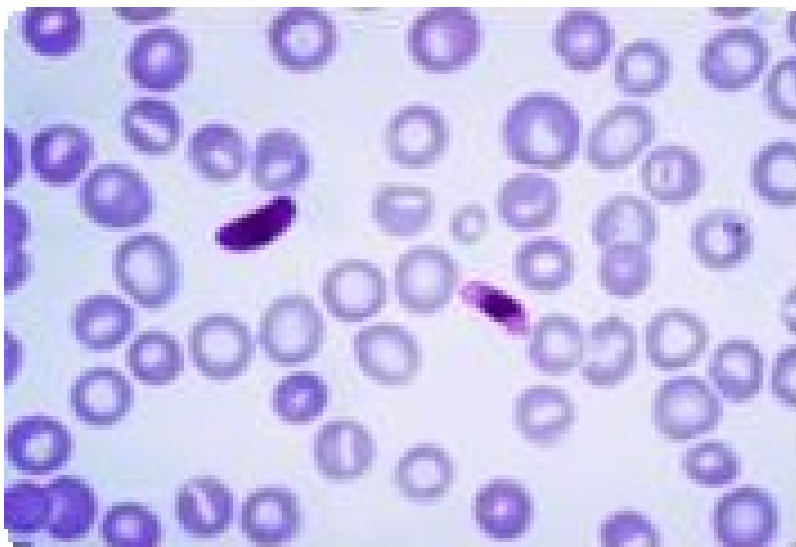




Diocese of Maryland
Children's
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Nets For Life
Sunday, March 8
Second Sunday in Lent

Malaria

Mosquitoes for us here are a bother - they sting and leave welts on our arms and legs and make us itchy. But mosquitoes in other places make children sick. Inside the mosquito is a parasite, *Plasmodium falciparum*. In this picture the parasite is the dark spots. The parasite is a microorganism, so tiny we can only see it with a microscope.



The parasite doesn't harm the mosquito but when the mosquito bites a child the parasite travels from the mosquito to the child and the child gets sick with malaria. Children with malaria feel like we do when we have the flu. Malaria starts with a fever. They have chills and sweating and terrible headaches. Their stomachs hurt and they throw up. Many children die every day from malaria.



Have you ever been sick?

Who helps you when you don't feel well?

We are collecting money to keep children from getting sick from malaria.

A Prayer:

We pray for all who are sick. Please give them comfort and health.
Amen.

3 John 2

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul.