

# Our Gospel Value this week is Kindness

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# Our Virtue this week is Friendliness



We gather together to love,  
value and respect each other  
within our Catholic family, to  
nurture each individual's  
talents and skills as Jesus  
taught us.

*Everyone matters and is loved  
by God.*

Peace be with you  
**and with your Spirit**

Jesus Christ light of the world  
... **shine brightly in our lives**



Jesus Christ God's living  
Word  
... **speak to us your truth**



Jesus Christ God's love  
revealed  
... **dwell among us**



Our lit candle reminds us that  
we are in God's presence as  
we mark ourselves with the  
sign of the cross

**In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit  
Amen**

# We Say Sorry

You call us to love one another  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

You make us all children of God  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You invite us all to call God our  
Father  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Today we hear how Jesus prayed for his disciples – asking God to protect them and to help them follow his word.

Let us think a bit more about what this means for us today...

Loving God, watch over us,  
keep us from harm and help  
us to follow your word. Lead  
us as we go out into the world  
to share your word with others  
through our actions.

**Amen**

**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**



*We listen to the word*

Gospel according to John 17:11-19

**May the words of Jesus be**

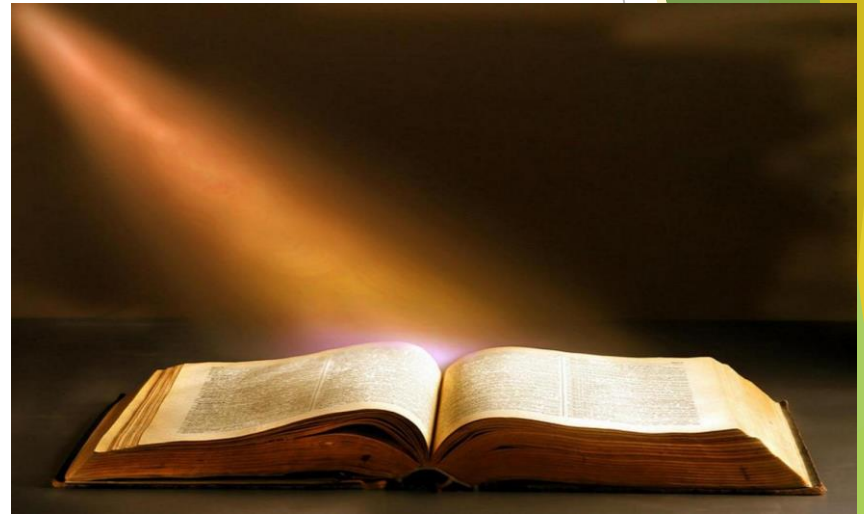
**On my mind**

**On my lips and**

**In my heart**

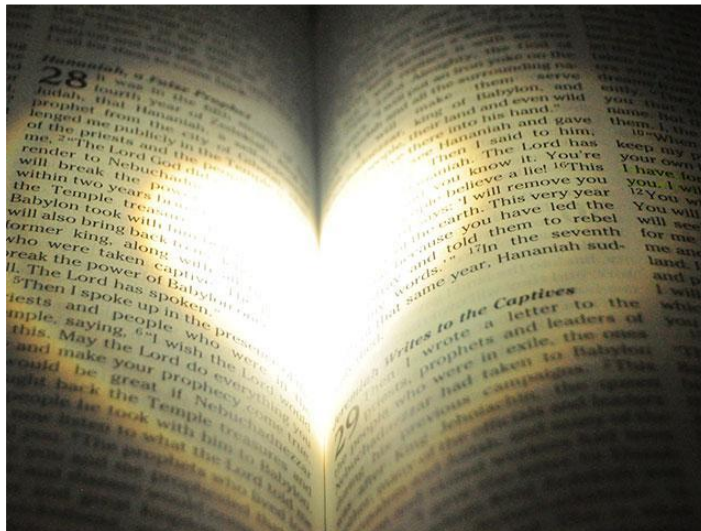
The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**



**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
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**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

We are still and silent as we reflect on God's word for us in the Gospel.



What do you remember from the reading you heard today?

In today's gospel Jesus is talking to God. He is praying.

Do you pray? What do you pray for or about?

Jesus is asking God to help his friends - the disciples - when he is gone.



Jesus knows it will be hard for them to be without him. But he has also given his disciples a very special job to do, and he wants them to carry on doing this, even after he has gone away. So, he wants God to keep them safe.

What job do you think Jesus wants his disciples to do?



Jesus wants his disciples to follow his teaching, to love everyone just like Jesus loves us and to encourage others to do the same.

Jesus prayed for us too. Do you think Jesus has a special job for us to do as his followers? What do you think that job might be?



He wants us to share God's love with others - near or far away - and care for the lovely world he has given us.

How do you think we can do that?





We can share God's love by helping each other. This also means taking care of our world so that everyone has the chance of a happy life. For example, when we humans cut down forests, that is bad for all the people, animals and plants who live there.





Delio lives in the huge Amazon rainforest. Think of how big a football pitch is. Well, every minute an area of forest the size of a football pitch is being cut down or burnt!



Without the trees, the land can become very dry, making it hard for people to grow food or find water to drink. Delio works as a teacher, helping students to understand how to care for the planet.

Do you think Delio has a special job to do?



Let us remember this week to pray to God to help us as we try to live as Jesus asks us to. And let us pray for all our brothers and sisters around the world, asking God to bless them and keep them safe.



In silence, pray for each other -  
that God will be with all of us.



We know that it is not always easy to follow Jesus, and so we pray:



We pray for world leaders:  
that they may be inspired by  
Jesus and make the right  
decisions for the good of all  
people, even when it is hard.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for the Church  
throughout the world: that it  
may be a shining light in the  
darkest times, bringing help  
and comfort to all those in  
need.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for our school,  
parish, families and  
friends: that we may  
always follow Jesus,  
respecting and caring  
for all people and for our  
planet.

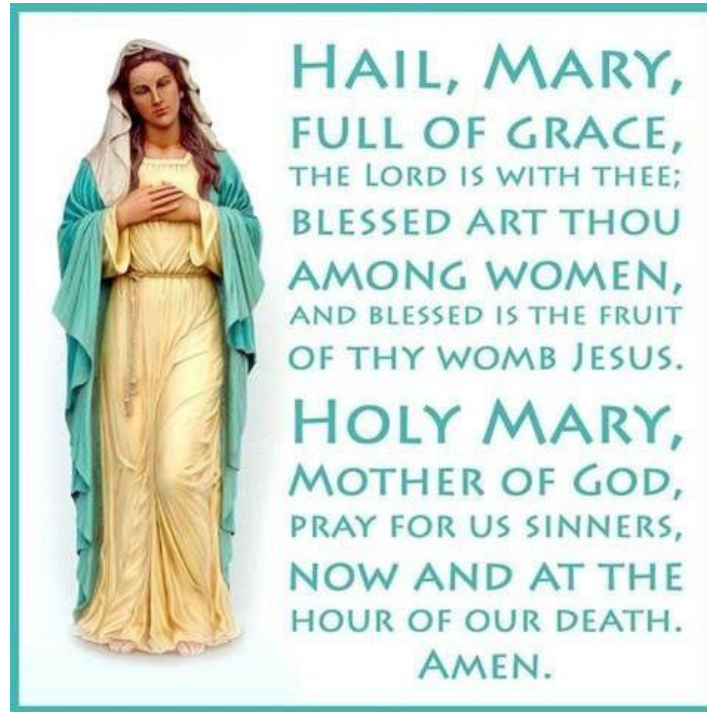
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We take a moment now to pray for our own intentions

We ask Our Lady to intercede on our behalf as we say together...



Loving God, move us to follow your Son, to share your love with others and to work together to protect our beautiful world.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

**Amen.**

St Anthony

**Pray for us**

St Mark

**Pray for us**

St Francis

**Pray for us**

St Alban

**Pray for us**

How will  
you follow  
Jesus this  
week?

# In the week ahead let's ...

- ▶ remember to pray to God to help us as we try to live as Jesus asks us to.
- ▶ pray for all our brothers and sisters around the world, asking God to bless them and keep them safe.

**Jesus, I offer my day to you**  
**Jesus, I offer my day to you**  
**Jesus, I offer my day to you**

Let us go in  
peace

**Thanks be to God**

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