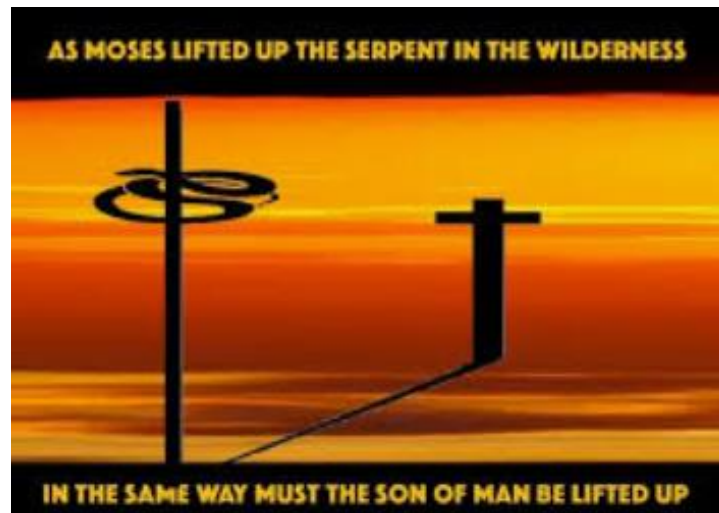


Our Gospel Value this week is Compassion

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03G52K9X2hQ>

Our Virtue this week is Kindness



**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 have forgiven us and saved us.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You have shared your gifts with us
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We have struggled but you are
always there to help us

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Today we hear about
how much God loves the
world and all the people
in it.

Let's think some more
about that love...

Generous God, we give
you thanks because you
loved the world so much
you sent your only Son to
show us how to live. May
we share your love with
others

Amen.

We listen to the word

Gospel acclamation:

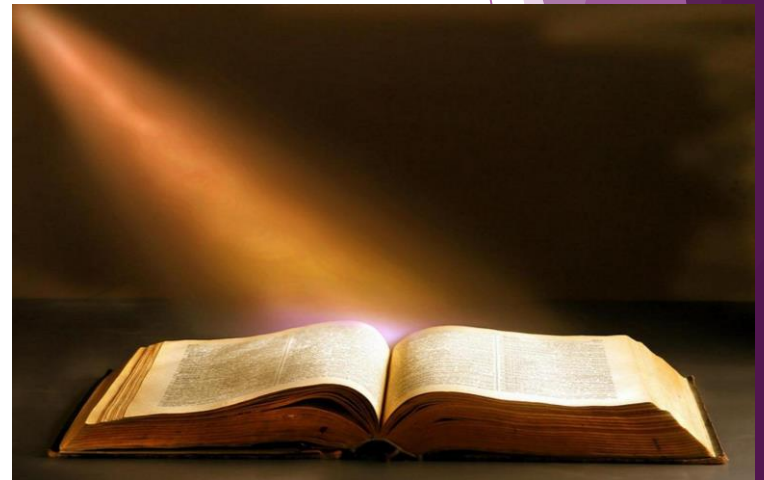
**Praise to you O Christ, king of
eternal glory.**

We listen to the word

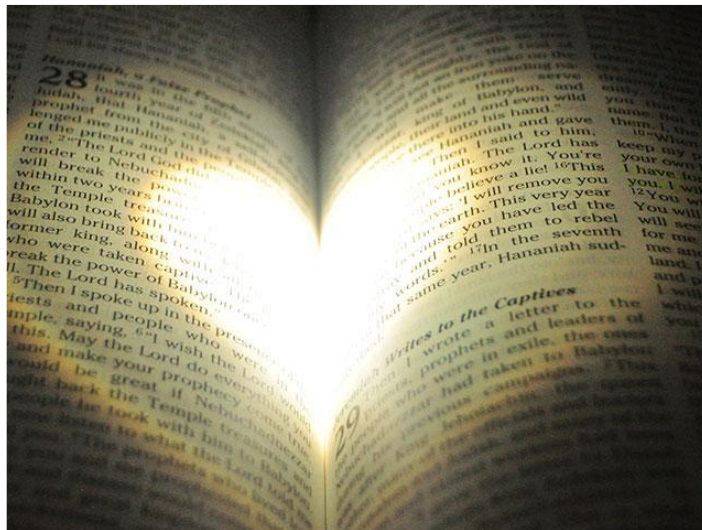
Gospel according to John 3:14-21

**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



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



In today's gospel reading we hear that God loved the world so much that he gave us Jesus to show us how to live and to help bring us closer to God.



How does it make you feel to know that God loves us all so much that he was willing to send his only son, Jesus, to be with us here on earth, and to die for us?



Think about two people who love you.

Now think about two people that you love.

What does it mean to love someone?

How should we treat someone that we love?



God does not just love you or me, God loves everybody. God loves all people whether they are rich or poor, no matter where they live or where they come from, no matter whether they are healthy or ill, no matter the colour of their skin. We are all God's children. We are part of one global family.



God asks us to share this love and to also care for others no matter who they are or where in the world they live. God calls us to care for our global family and to share generously with them all that we have been given. When we do this we are sharing God's love.



Throughout Lent, lots of people are raising money for a charity called CAFOD, by walking a very long way over the 40 days of Lent. This money will help to fight global poverty, supporting people who are poor around the world to live the life they want to.



How do you think those who are raising money for CAFOD might be sharing God's love with others?

On Friday, we will be raising money for Comic Relief, another charity who support people who are poor around the world to live the life they want to.

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



We think about our brothers
and sisters around the world
as we pray:

We pray for the Church:
that through God's grace it
may be a place of
welcome and love for all
people no matter who they
are or where they come
from.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer

We pray for all people who
are finding life hard
because of poverty or
illness: that they may find
comfort in God's love and
the love of those around
them.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer

Yesterday was Mothering Sunday. We pray for our mothers, and all those who care for us. May we always show them love and be helpful and kind.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayer

We take a
moment now to
pray for our own
intentions

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



HAIL, MARY,
FULL OF GRACE,
THE LORD IS WITH THEE;
BLESSED ART THOU
AMONG WOMEN,
AND BLESSED IS THE FRUIT
OF THY WOMB JESUS.
HOLY MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD,
PRAY FOR US SINNERS,
NOW AND AT THE
HOUR OF OUR DEATH.
AMEN.

Loving God, show us how to reach out to others around the world in love and to support them to build a better future, free from poverty.

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?

What will you do this week to show that you care for others?

- ▶ help other people
- ▶ treat those who are different to us with kindness and respect
- ▶ share with others
- ▶ try to live in peace

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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