

Our Gospel Value this week is Compassion

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Our Virtue this week is Charity



**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 follow you
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You call us to trust in you
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You open your arms to all of us
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Today we hear about how Jesus healed people who were sick. Many people who were ill came to Jesus and he made them better. Who makes you feel better when you are sick?

Let's think some more about healing today...

Merciful God, look after
all those who are sick.
Help us to bring them
comfort and make them
feel better in any way
that we can. Watch over
all doctors, nurses and
carers and give them
strength in their difficult
job.

Amen

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus is the Lord,
He's the Lord of all my heart.**

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He's the Lord of all my heart.**

**He's the way, he's the truth,
he's the life.**

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We listen to the word

Gospel according to Mark 1:29-39

May the words of Jesus be

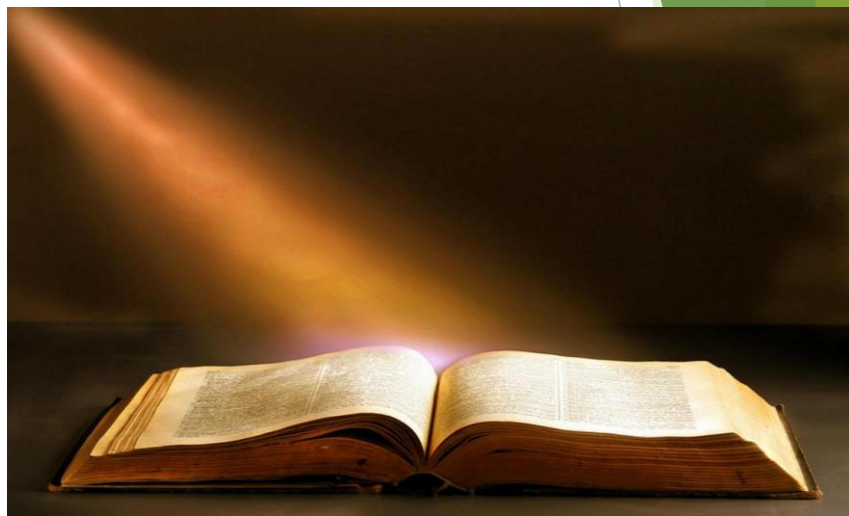
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On my lips and

In my heart

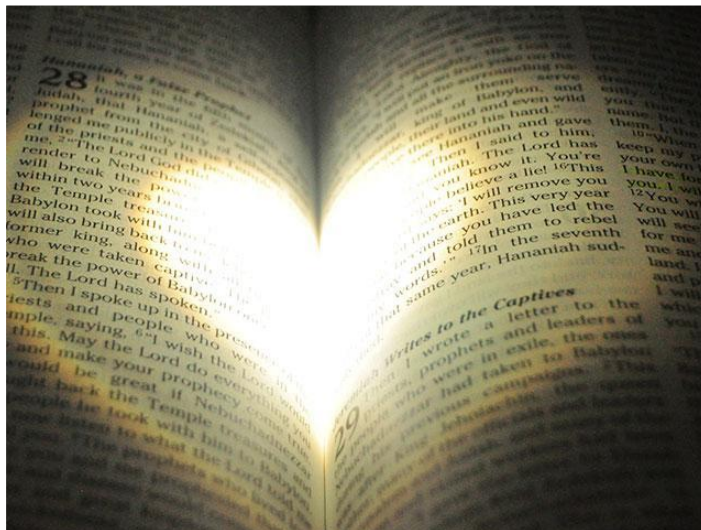
The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



**Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus is the Lord,
He's the Lord of all my heart.**

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



What do you remember about the reading?

Simon's mother-in-law is sick. She has a fever and is in bed. Jesus arrives at the house, takes her by the hand and helps her out of bed. Immediately she feels better.



Later that day lots of people who were ill came to the place where Jesus was. Some of them may have travelled a long way. Jesus helped them all, curing them and making them feel better.

What do you think this story tells us about Jesus?



Jesus cared for people and wanted to help them. He was able to make people well again because he is God's son. When people saw what he could do, they believed in him.



When was the last time that you were sick? How did you feel? Who helped you and made you feel better? What did they do to make you feel better?

Sometimes when we are sick, we have to see a doctor or go to the hospital.

How long does it take to get from your house to the doctors?

In El Salvador it is hard for some people to get the health care that they need. In some parts of the countryside there are very few health services available, so families have to travel long distances to get the care that they need. The poorest families can't afford the cost of health care which is very expensive.



Many years ago, CAFOD supported villagers in Guarjila, in El Salvador, to set up a health clinic, and to train as health workers. The clinic is still going strong, helping pregnant women and their babies to keep well. They also make home visits, talk to patients over the phone and share important information about how to stay healthy on the local radio.



Jesus healed all those who came to him for help. Although we cannot heal people the way Jesus did, we can help them by making sure that wherever they are in the world, they are able to reach a doctor, or that the doctor can reach them, and that they get the medicine that they need.



We can also show people here who are ill that we care about them by looking after them, taking them some food or drink, by sending them a card or letter in the post, by phoning them or perhaps by going to the shops for them if they can't get out.



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



We believe in Jesus who loves
and cares for us and so we
pray together:

We pray for people who
are sick around the world:
that they may receive the
care and comfort that
they need.

Lord in Your mercy

Hear our prayer

We pray for all doctors,
nurses and healthcare
workers: that they may find
strength as they continue to
treat their patients with love,
compassion and care.

Lord in Your mercy

Hear our prayer

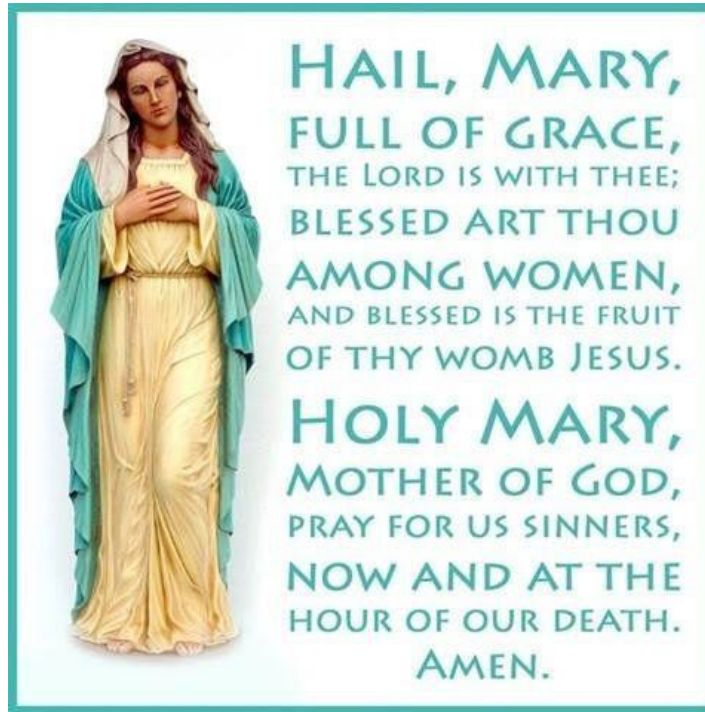
We pray for our school,
parish, families and friends:
that we may care for one
another when we are ill and
work together to make sure
that all people have the
chance to get the care they
need when they are sick.

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



God of love, help us all
to follow Jesus' example
of loving care, and to
treat all those who are ill
with kindness and
tenderness.

Amen.

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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 try to ...

- ▶ to show someone
who is sick that you
care
- ▶ think of others

Jesus, I offer my day to you
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Let us go in
peace

Thanks be to God

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