

Monday 18th December Faith ~ Excellence ~ Determination

Joy





Mission Statement

With the Lord's help, we are united in **faith**, we strive for success and **excellence**, we are **determined** to be the best that we can be.

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We take a few moments of stillness to ready our hearts and minds.

Opening Prayer

As we gather this morning, we ask the Lord to be with us as we begin a new week.

God our Father, as we light our third Advent candle, Help us to wait patiently for the birth of your Son, Jesus, Show us ways we can share Christ's light during Advent, So that the world might know the hope and love that your Son brings. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



This weeks theme is Joy. We will listen to readings from scripture that remind us of ways in which joy has been shown in the bible.

On Friday we have our end of term Celebration of the Word. This focuses on Christ who is the light of the world and wants to be the light in our lives.



Psalm 16:11

You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.



Reflection

This Psalm tells us that God is the giver of all good things and then clearly points to Jesus as being the One through whom all good things come. Put quite simply it is telling us that we will be happy and filled with joy if we allow Jesus to be a part of our lives.





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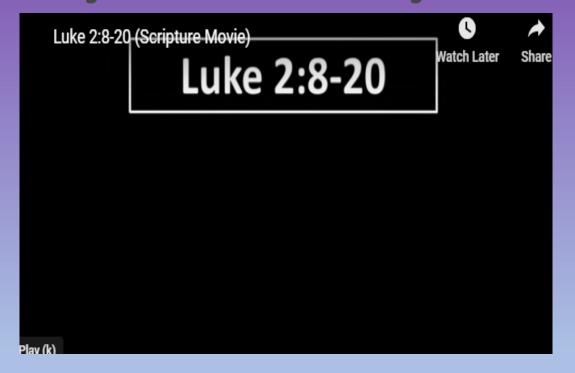
As we gather this morning, we ask the Lord to be with us as we begin a new day.

Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou amongst 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

Reading: Luke 2: 8-20 - A reading from Luke



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Reflection:

In the reading today we saw that God has a very special announcement to make, yet He chooses some unlikely people to share this news with. God (through an angel) is announcing the birth of Jesus but rather than go to really important and powerful people the angel appears first to a bunch of shepherds hanging out in a field with their sheep.

Ask: What can we learn about God from the fact that a bunch of lowly shepherds were the first ones to hear about the birth of the Saviour of the world?

One thing we can learn from this is that God loves all people, no matter what kind of status they may have in the world. The angel announced that Jesus would be a saviour for all people, not just important, powerful people.



Wednesday 20th December

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Prepare a way for the Lord





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Let us put ourselves in the presence of God as we make the sign of the cross.



Opening Prayer

As we gather this morning, let us pray together the prayer Our Father taught us:

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, On earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses.

As we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil

Amen



Reading: Matthew 14:13-21 - A reading from Matthew

The Feeding of the 5000

Reflection:

Today's scripture is a passage that shows Jesus' compassion and power to feed a large crowd of people with five loaves and two fish. The passage also teaches us to follow Jesus and seek his word, even in deserted places. Jesus also prepares his disciples for His second coming, when he will provide abundant food for His people and fulfil God's will.

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Thursday 21st December 2023

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Reading: Matthew 21: 1-11

A reading from Matthew



Reflection:

This scripture passage describes Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey as people lay their cloaks and palm branches on the road before him.

Jesus entered Jerusalem not on a horse as a symbol of power but on a donkey as a symbol of humility. He is the peaceful king of the people of God.

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Friday 22nd December 2023

PLEASE GO THROUGH EXPECTATIONS FOR OUR CELEBRATION OF THE WORD

· Enter the hall quietly

 Take part in the responses - these are in bold

 Take part in the carols that are labelled WHOLE SCHOOL

· Leave bags in the tutor rooms.