

SERVICE

WORD OF THE WEEK - Mark 10:35-45

James and John came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, will you do us a favour?" Jesus asked them what they wanted, and they answered, "When you come into your glory, please let one of us sit at your right side and the other at your left."

Jesus told them, "You don't really know what you're asking! Are you able to drink from the cup that I must soon drink from or be baptised as I must be baptised?"

"Yes, we are!" James and John answered.

Then Jesus replied, "You certainly will drink from the cup from which I must drink. And you will be baptized just as I must! But it isn't for me to say who will sit at my right side and at my left. That is for God to decide."

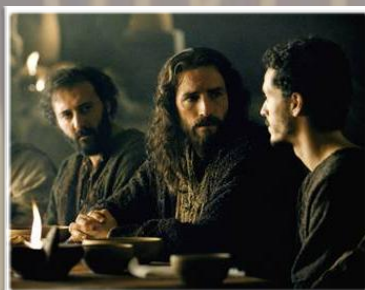
When the ten other disciples heard this, they were angry with James and John. But Jesus called the disciples together and said:

You know that those foreigners who call themselves kings like to order their people around. And their great leaders have full power over the people they rule. But don't act like them. If you want to be great, you must be the servant of all the others. And if you want to be first, you must be everyone's slave. The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life to save many people.

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...
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In this week's scripture passage two of Jesus' disciples are concerned about their status. They want Jesus to promise them the best seats in heaven: sat on either of him. The most important guests at a banquet always sat on either side of the host. Jesus tells James and John not to be worried about seats and position. The way to greatness is completely different. It's about SERVING OTHERS.

Jesus reminds us that he did not expect to be served. Instead, he came to serve people and ultimately give up his life. That is true greatness.



SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT...

- What acts of service do you do in your families, amongst your friends and in our school?
- Are there other ways you could get involved in serving others?
- As a form, is there more you could do?
- What would you like our school fundraising focus to be during Advent?




SOMETHING TO DO...

Watch the YouTube clip 'Happiness is helping others'.

<https://youtu.be/zcrulov45bl>

Helping others brings good feelings to the giver and the receiver of good deeds. Using your special gifts to help others can be a gift to yourself as you enjoy a self esteem boost for making others' lives better, and making the works a better place.



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Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to
do good,
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses
all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
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WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Remembrance Poppies will be on sale this week to remember those who have lost their lives in war. Throughout November we traditionally remember those who have passed away. There will be a tree in the Foyer for you to write the name of someone you want to remember on a leaf.

