

# VALUES

## WORD OF THE WEEK



Mark 10: 17-22

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, "Good Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not bring false witness. You must not defraud. Honour your Father and Mother." And he said to him, "Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days." Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, "There is one thing you lack. God and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard is it for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"



## Something to think about...

What do we value most?

This week gives us the opportunity to consider what we value and whether we value our possessions more than we should and what effect that has on our lives and the way we live.

Oscar Romero said:

**"Aspire not to have more but to be more!"**

Romero was made a saint by Pope Francis on the 14th October (last Sunday) and gives us some very good advice about how we should live our lives. Rather than aspiring to be rich and have all the material possessions we could imagine we should aspire to be more. How could we be more?





# Something to talk about...

Values are also principles or standards of behaviour or ones judgement of what is important in life.

Values are important as they inform our thoughts, words and actions. Our values help us grow and develop and decisions we make are a reflection of our values and beliefs.

Talk to the person next to you about what values you have and what you believe in.

## Something to do...

Watch the video found on the shared drive about Oscar Romero's life.

## What values do you think Oscar Romero had?

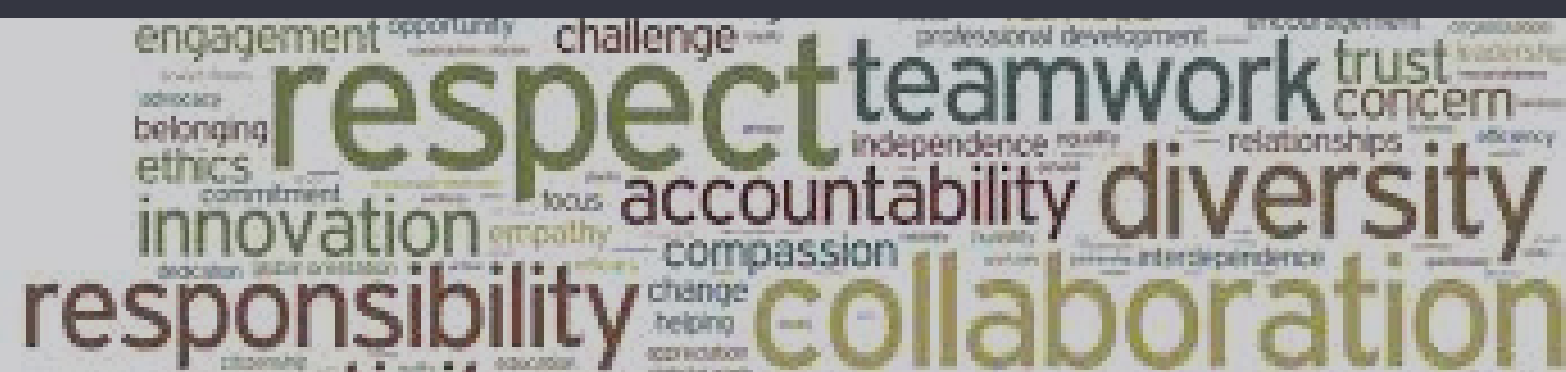
Make a list of as many you can think of.

Circle the ones that match your own values.

Are there any values that you should try to live out more in your every day life?

## How can you challenge yourself to be more?

Write down one value that you are going to be more of to make a difference to the world around you and to show that you value making a real difference to other people's lives over becoming rich and having everything you could ever want or need.



## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God and Father of all, you gave us your servant Oscar Romero as a faithful and zealous pastor whose great love for your Church was shown in a special way by his love for the poor and those most in need.

Grant that we too may reflect in our living the Gospel of Jesus your Son. Graciously honour your servant Oscar and grant me through his intercession that favour we ask for, to aspire not to have more but to be more. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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but to **be** more”-Archbishop Romero