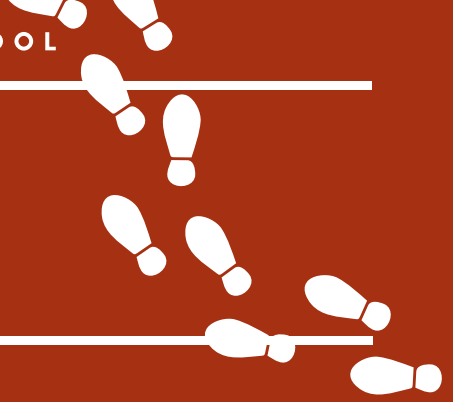




MISSION



PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

**LORD JESUS, YOU CALL US TO BE
MISSIONARY DISCIPLES.
GUIDE AND STRENGTHEN US-
TO SHARE YOUR LOVE WITH
ALL WE MEET.**

**GIVE US COURAGE-
TO REACH OUT TO HELP OTHERS.**

**GIVE US WISDOM-
TO KNOW HOW BEST TO CARE.**

**AND GIVE US HOPE-
TO BELIEVE WE CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE.**

**BLESS ALL MISSIONARIES WHO BRING
YOUR COMPASSION AND MERCY TO
THE POOR AND MARGINALISED.
TOGETHER, MAY WE MAKE KNOWN
YOUR LOVE ON EARTH.
AMEN.**

*"Dear young people...Jesus
invites us to build together
the civilisation of love,
as His disciples and
missionaries, here and now."
Pope Francis.*



WORD OF THE WEEK

MARK 6: 7-13

Jesus called the twelve disciples together and sent them out in pairs. He gave them authority and power and ordered them, "Don't take anything with you on the trip except a walking stick- no bread, no beggar's bag, no money in your pockets. Wear sandals, but don't carry an extra shirt." He also told them, "Whenever you are welcomed, stay in the same house until you leave that place. If you come to a town where people do not welcome you or will not listen to you, leave it and shake the dust off your feet."

Then they were on the road. They preached with joyful urgency that life can be radically different; they brought wellness to the sick, anointed their bodies and healed them.

When you think of the word mission what comes to mind?
How many examples of mission can you think of?

What does Jesus and the Church mean by mission? Mission comes from an ancient Latin word, *Mittere*, meaning to send. Jesus sends his disciples into the world to share God's love with others. We are disciples too, and therefore we too are sent!

In this week's Word of the Week Jesus sent his disciples away to represent him in the world, just like when we are sent out into the community each evening and during the holidays as representatives of our school. Can you think of different ways in which you represent All Hallows, both in school and out of school?

Jesus sends the disciples on their way with two things- a stick and a friend. We are coming close to the end of the school year now, so let's take some time to think about what and who has been the supporting stick on our journey through this year and who has been our friend walking with us.

- Who has helped/supported you this year?
- How will you show your appreciation?
- Who have you helped/supported this year?
- Who has been a friend for you this year?
- How have you been a friend to others this year?



MISSION ~~IMPOSSIBLE~~ POSSIBLE

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Jesus send his disciples out in pairs on a mission. They were to visit villages and towns spreading the Good News. They were to travel simply: no spare clothes, no food and no beggar's bags.

This would have been a difficult mission for them, but mission can often be challenging. When we have a difficult task to complete we should follow the example of the disciples and put our faith in God. He gives us everything we need to succeed: we just need to have confidence in our ability and trust God. The disciples successfully carried out the Mission Jesus asked of them, and the Good News was spread to other communities and world wide. This mission continues today. How can we do what the first disciples did and bring the Good News, God's love, into the lives of those around us?



Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes with which Christ looks out his compassion to the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now.

— Saint Teresa of Avila —

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love,
Where there is injury, pardon
Where there is doubt, faith,
Where there is despair, hope,
Where there is darkness, light,
Where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,
Not so much to be understood as to understand,
Not so much to be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
It is in dying that we awake to eternal life.

SUMMER MISSION

WHAT IS YOUR MISSION THIS SUMMER?

TAKE A BIT OF TIME THIS WEEK TO PLAN YOUR OWN SUMMER MISSION, EITHER WITH A FEW FRIENDS OR AS A CLASS, THAT WILL HELP THOSE IN NEED AND SHOW THE LOVE OF GOD TO OTHERS. WHO NEEDS TO EXPERIENCE AND SEE GOD'S LOVE? WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE IN OUR WORLD AND COMMUNITIES SO OTHERS CAN LIVE A HAPPIER LIFE?

MAKE SURE YOUR MISSION IS SOMETHING YOU CAN ACTUALLY TRY AND DO, BUT MAKE IT CHALLENGING, NO MISSION IS SUPPOSED TO BE EASY! BUT ALSO REMEMBER THAT SOMETIMES A SIMPLE MISSION OF KINDNESS GOES A LONG WAY TO CHANGING THE LIVES OF OTHERS.

TIPS: COULD YOU VOLUNTEER SOMEWHERE, OR ORGANISE A LITTER PICK? COULD YOU TAKE PART IN A FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY? COULD YOU HELP RAISE AWARENESS ABUT ISSUES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE CHANGED?



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