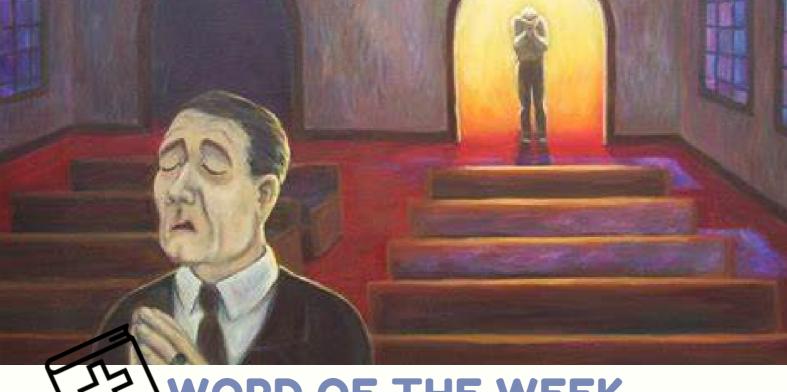
All Hallows Catholic High School

HUMILITY



WORD OF THE WEEK

LUKE 18: 9-14

Jesus told a story to some people who thought they were better than others and who looked down on everyone else...

"Two men went into the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood over by himself and prayed, 'God, I thank you that I am not greedy, dishonest, and unfaithful in marriage like other people. I am really glad that I am not like that tax collector over there. I go without eating for two days a week, and I give you one tenth of all I earn.'

The tax collector stood off at a distance and did not think he was good enough even to look up toward heaven. He was so sorry for what he had done that he pounded his chest and prayed, 'God, have pity on me! I am such a sinner."

Then Jesus said, "When the two men went home, it was the tax collector and not the pharisee who was pleasing to God. If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honoured."



HUMILITY IS WHAT MAKES THE GREAT GREAT! The best leaders are marked by humility:

- 1. Humility is common sense- none of us is an expert at everything. What we don't know and can't do far exceeds what we do know and can do.
- 2. Humility is beautiful- we are more attracted to the great who are humble than to the great who know it and want us to know it too.
- 3. Humility is generative- it generates new knowledge, new abilities. The proud person will go away with less than the humble person who is looking to learn.
- 4. Humility is inspiring- with humble leaders, we don't just admire them, we aspire to be like them.

Can you think of someone who is humble? How do you know they are a humble person?



DON'T FORGOT OUR SVP GROUP MEETS EVERY MONDAY AT 12:35PM IN THE CHAPEL. (BRING YOUR LUNCH)! PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Heavenly Father, give us the humility which realises it's ignorance. Admits it's mistakes, recognises it's need, welcomes advice. Accepts rebuke. Help us always to praise rather than to criticise, to sympathise rather than to discourage, to build rather than to destroy. And to think of people at their best rather than at their worst.

On Tuesday this week (27th September) we celebrate the feast day of St Vincent de Paul.

HAPPY FEAST DAY TO OUR VINCENT FORM GROUPS!

St Vincent is the perfect person to celebrate this week when our theme for the week is humility.

Watch this video all about St Vincent de Paul and think about how he was a model of humility: CLICK HERE!

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"HUMILITY IS NOTHING BUT TRUTH, AND PRIDE IS NOTHING BUT LYING." (ST VINCENT DE PAUL)

SOMETHING TO DO.

On a piece of paper write your name with the hand you usually write with. Then do the same with the opposite hand.

The simple exrcise puts us in touch with something about ourselves- we're not (and can't be) good at everything! We are all built with strengths and weaknesses, and these things will vary from person to person.

Remembering this fact should allow us to grow in humility- whilst we recognise our limitations, we also recognise and celebrate our giftedness.

