



14th March 2025



GOSPEL: VALUE: Our Gospel Value for next week is Peace. Please reflect on this at home with your child. .

**Weekly Reflection**

This week we continue our journey through Lent. In Luke's Gospel this weekend, we hear God speaking to us directly in the story of The Transfiguration. Jesus goes to the top of a high mountain and, 'suddenly his clothing became brilliant as lightning.' Elijah and Moses appear and join Jesus and then the voice of God comes from heaven with a message for us all, to think about how we can follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

*'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.'*



We are celebrating another one of our House Saints on Monday. Whilst I am not part of any House and am therefore supportive of every team, I do have a special place in my heart for St Patrick! So along with Mr Kelliher and Miss Hannifin we would like to wish everyone a very happy St Patrick's day on Monday 17th March.

**Saint Patrick's Prayer**

Christ be with me.  
 Christ be beside me.  
 Christ be before me.  
 Christ be behind me.  
 Christ at my right hand.  
 Christ at my left hand.  
 Christ be with me  
 everywhere I go.  
 Christ be my friend,  
 for ever and ever.  
 Amen

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I would like to wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

*Mrs Kerrell*  
Headteacher

## Family Mass

We would like to invite extended family members (2 per family) to come along to a special daytime Family Mass. We would like to offer grandparents, godparents, aunts, uncles the opportunity to come and celebrate Mass together with the children on Thursday 20th March at 2:00pm for Reception and Key Stage One and on Thursday 27th March for Key Stage 2 pupils. We have sent out an electronic Forms document for sign up, please only 2 people per family to begin with and we will let you know if we have more spaces.

Reception and Key Stage One link: <https://forms.office.com/e/gXKcLgSntW>

Key Stage Two Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/ibHSZzTWmC>



## Stations of the Cross

We would like to invite parents and families to attend the Stations of the Cross on the last day of term, Friday 4th April at 9.30am. This will be led by Year 6 pupils and we will follow afterwards with light refreshments.

## Pain Relief and Allergy Relief Medication

From Monday, we would like parents to provide pain relief medication and allergy medication from home, if you feel that your child may need to have this during the school day. We do not always have a supply of this in the office and therefore we may have to call you to bring this to school if your child is in pain or has a seasonal allergy. Please bring any medication to the office and complete the form for us to administer medicines. Children must not bring their own pain relief medication (or any medication) to school, in their pockets or bags as we have a very strict procedure for safely administering medicines. All medication must be checked in at the office.



## Children Going Home After Events

We would like to clarify that children must return to class after any afternoon events. I kindly ask that parents do not leave with their child at the end of an event eg: Concerts, Family Mass etc. This is for safeguarding reasons, so that we are certain of where the children are at all times; this is my responsibility as the Designated Safeguarding Lead. Thank you for your understanding with this.

## Make Up and Nail Varnish (Gel Nails)

I am seeing an increasing number of our older girls wearing make-up to school. Make up and nail varnish (gel nails) are not allowed at Holy Cross and if children come to school wearing it, they will be sent to the office to remove it. Girls are also bringing make-up and perfume to school including many forms of sparkly and glittery lip glosses. If your child brings this to school we will confiscate it and it can be collected from the office at the end of the day. Clear (not sparkly) lip salve eg: Chapstick/ Vaseline is permitted if children have dry lips.

## Mr Kelliher

I would like to let our parents and carers know that sadly Mr Kelliher will be leaving us at the end of this academic year as he has taken the decision to retire from full-time teaching. We are grateful for Mr Kelliher's dedication to our school and wish him every success for this new chapter in his life. We hope that we can entice him back to do some supply teaching.

## Crucial Crew

Today, the Year 6 children walked to the Latton Bush Centre to attend Crucial Crew. The aim of Crucial Crew is to provide a fun and stimulating environment for children to learn to:

- become more aware of personal safety;
- learn how to react correctly to dangerous and threatening situations;
- understand the role the emergency support services play and how and when to contact them;
- be aware of their own actions and the safety of others.

The children were thoroughly engaged with the different scenarios where they were taught valuable safety messages. Please make sure that you talk with your children about what they have learnt.



## Tag Rugby Tournament

Today, a group of Years 3 and 4 pupils travelled to Harlow Rugby Club, for a Harlow schools tag rugby tournament. They played so well and gave it their all.

Well done to Tadgh, Jayden, Samuel, James, Sebastian, Adam, Layla, Amelia, Hayley, Hanley, Dennis, Declan, Arnas, Antoni, Amara and Lyla.



## Times Tables Rockstars

Congratulations to the following children for trying really hard with their times tables this week.

Hedgehogs:	Eliza	Squirrels:	Nihin
Badgers:	Hermione	Foxes:	Myles
Hares:	Luka	Rabbits:	James
Kingfishers:	Sofia	Robins:	Dominik
Eagles:	Cristiana	Owls:	Zion

## Bikeability Easter Courses

During the Easter holidays there are various levels of Bikeability courses available as well as their beginner Learn to Ride courses.

The courses are being held in the following locations:

Braintree

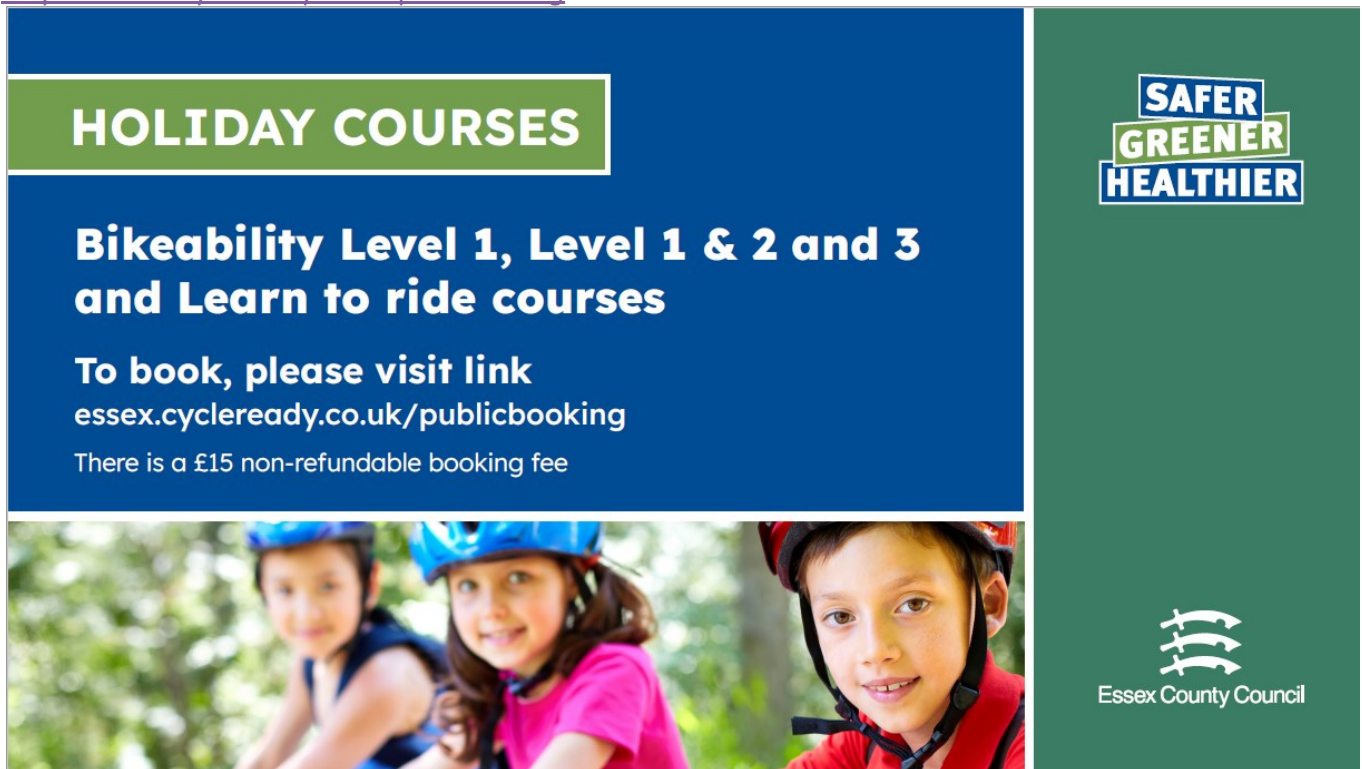
Colchester - Learn to Ride, Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and Level 3

Harlow - Holy Cross - Learn to Ride, Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and Level 3

Witham

Please see below the link for parents/ guardians to book Easter half-term holiday courses.

<https://essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>



**HOLIDAY COURSES**

**Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3 and Learn to ride courses**

To book, please visit link  
[essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking](https://essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking)

There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee

SAFER  
GREENER  
HEALTHIER

Essex County Council

## Rock Steady Concert

On Wednesday children who attend the Rocksteady Music School performed for their parents and families to show case what they have been learning.

They put on a very enthusiastic performance, loved by the parents and children alike.

Rocksteady Music School provide weekly in school band music lessons. If you would like more details click on the following link:

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>





# Mother's Day gift sale

£3 for a wrapped gift

Monday 24th March (Reception, years 5 and 6)

Tuesday 25th March (years 1 and 2)

Wednesday 26th March (years 3 and 4)

cash or card payments

# **Mini Vinnies**

# **RAINBOW DAY**

# **Friday 28th March**

**Mini Vinnies are raising money for the Rainbow Services, Harlow, by holding a whole school Rainbow day. They will be out before and after school shaking their buckets.**

**Reception - Purple**

**Year 1 - Pink**

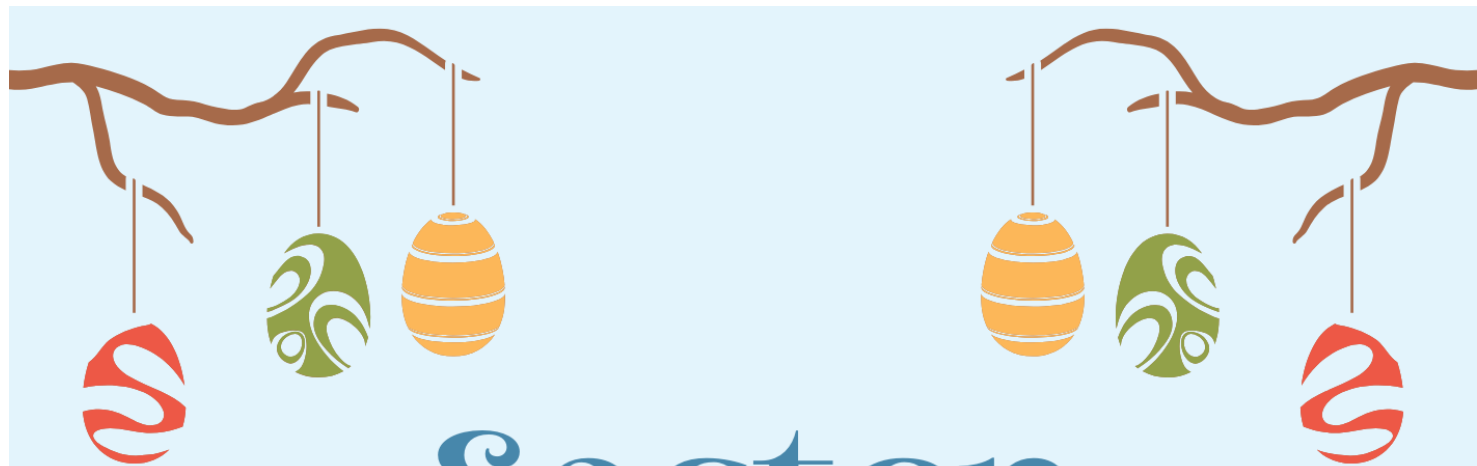
**Year 2 - Orange**

**Year 3 - Yellow**

**Year 4 - Green**

**Year 5 - Red**

**Year 6 - Blue**

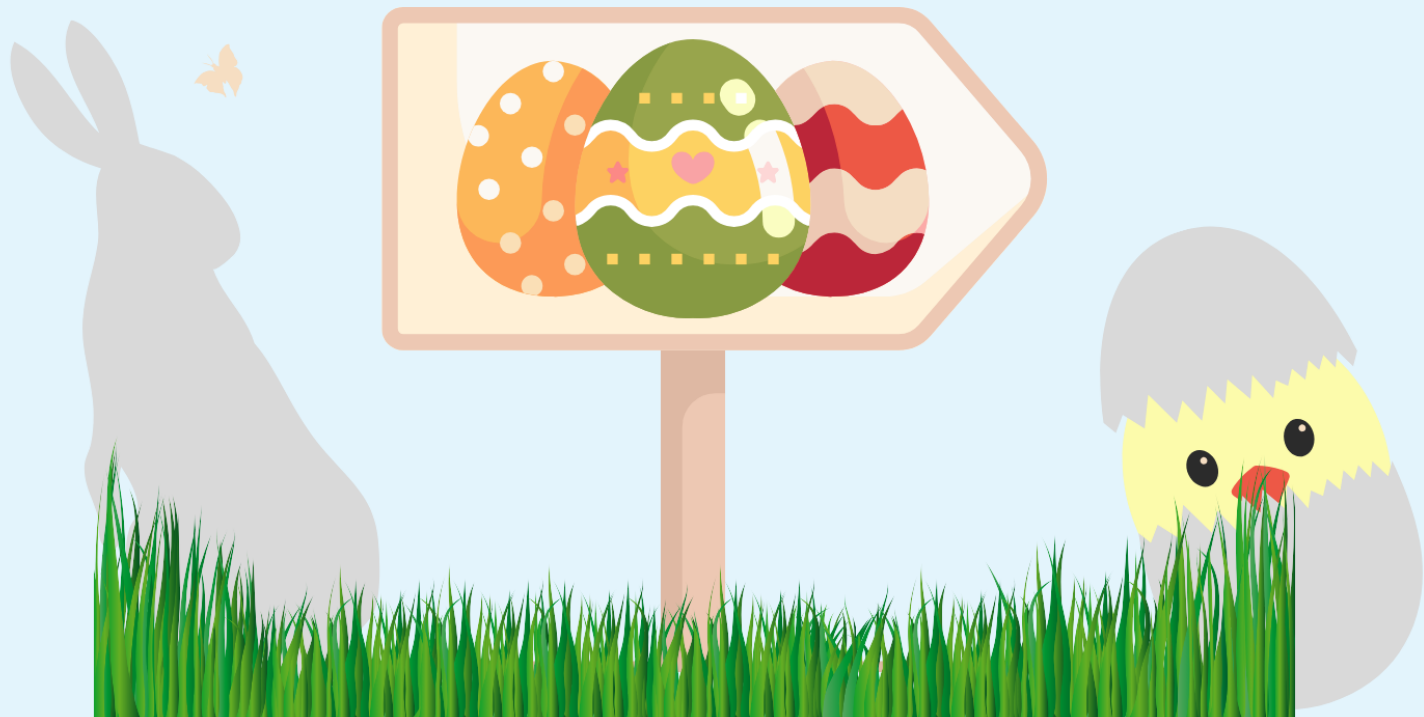


# Easter EGG HUNT

Friday 4th April

£1 per child

Cash or card payments accepted



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Congratulations to this week's winners of the KS1 Attendance Award, Squirrels achieving 99% attendance. Well done! The winners of the KS2 Attendance Award, are Badgers also attaining 99% attendance. Well done!

Please ensure you are sending your child into school everyday, unless they are not well enough to attend. Attending school is so important and makes a huge difference to your child's learning. The gates open at 8:30am until 8.50am.

It is essential you notify us of your child's absence by 9am either by telephone or using the Pupil Asset report absence option on every day of absence. We need full details of why your child is unable to attend school. We are frequently having to contact parents, to find out why their child is absent from school. If you do not notify us of the reason for your child's absence it may not be authorised.

Absences over 3 days require supporting medical evidence, for the additional absence to be authorised. Medical evidence can take the form of prescriptions, antibiotics and medical appointments.

Parents of children below attendance targets will be invited in for a meeting with the Educational Welfare Officer.

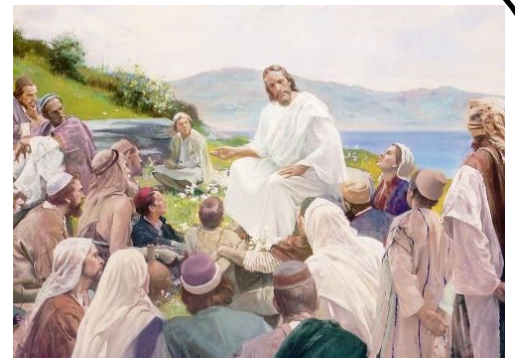
Butterflies	98%
Ladybirds	94%
Dragonflies	94%
Grasshoppers	96%
Hedgehogs	95%
Squirrels	99%
Badgers	99%
Foxes	94%
Hares	97%
Rabbits	98%
Kingfishers	97%
Robins	95%
Eagles	95%
Owls	92%

## Gospel Value Awards

### Forgiveness

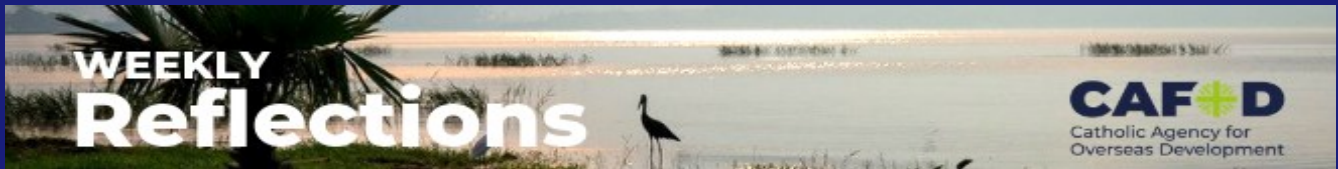
**reconciliation, sorry, empathy, respect**

"Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13



Congratulations to the following children who received the Gospel values certificate this week.

Butterflies:	Mario	Ladybirds:	Luna
Dragonflies:	Adele	Grasshoppers:	Lexi
Hedgehogs:	Zora	Squirrels:	Tilly
Badgers:	Hugo	Foxes:	Andreas
Hares:	Amelia	Rabbits:	Jaxon
Kingfishers:	Oliver	Robins:	Livia
Eagles:	Praise	Owls:	Oliwier



Based on the gospel for Sunday 16 March, Second Sunday of Lent: Luke 9:28-36

"... a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud."

The unknown can be frightening. The disciples here don't know how to respond to what is happening and Peter seems to say the first thing that comes into his head - he doesn't really understand what he's saying.

Peter, James and John are afraid. But then they hear a voice speaking from the cloud, bringing both certainty and joy into their hearts: "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!"

Lokho, a single mum in northern Kenya, must have been afraid as she tried to live through so many years of drought. It was hard to feed her children. She and her family had already survived long years without rain and were about to sell their livestock to keep going until the rains came. Fortunately, Lokho had supportive neighbours who were willing to help.

We can sometimes feel anxious and afraid, especially when we face uncertainty and doubt. But we know we can put our trust in God, who brings joy into our hearts. "This is my Son, my Chosen One;" he says, "listen to him!"

Can we also be good neighbours, supporting each other as a community, just like Lokho's neighbours support her when times are hard?

God of joy, we ask you to grant us courage to trust and to love. May we feel strong in the face of uncertainty, and always be ready to support our neighbour when times are hard. Amen.



### The Words of Pope Francis

How many times have we told the Lord: "Lord, I will come to you later... I can't come today. Tomorrow I will begin to pray and do something for others". In this life, we will always have things to do and excuses to offer, but right now is the time to return to God.



Dear Parents and Carers,

There are times when we all need encouraging: that is, to be inspired with courage and to have our hope renewed, especially when we are going through difficult times.

The snapshot of Jesus' glory in this Sunday's Gospel was an encouragement to the three disciples. For the first time they received a glimpse of the awesome divinity of Jesus. But soon they would go through difficult times and see Jesus crucified.

A Word from  
**Pope Francis**

*"The invitation at the Transfiguration is to listen to Jesus and to follow him, laying down our lives as a gift of love for one another."*

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

So beforehand, God tells them to listen to Jesus and allows them to see Jesus for who he really is.

Following Jesus isn't easy: it never was. But if, like the disciples, we too listen to Jesus, we will experience the encouragement that God offers freely to each one of us - today.

Enjoy exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **ENCOURAGEMENT**.

*Dom Henry Wansbrough*



## THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025



Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the appearance of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing over (his death, his resurrection and his ascension) which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw Jesus' glory and the two men standing with him. As Moses and Elijah were leaving, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." As he spoke, a cloud overshadowed them; and the disciples were afraid. Then a voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him".

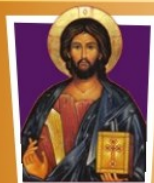
*Adapted from Luke 9:28-36  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year C*

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.  
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

2025: The Jubilee Year of Hope!

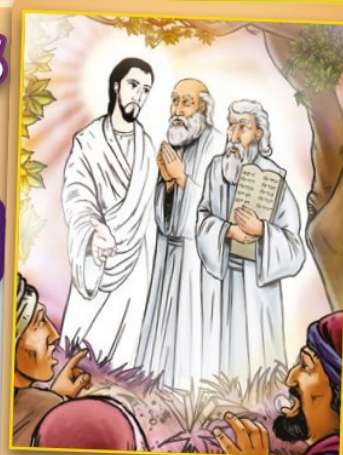
**Having Hope**  
in our **Families**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus knew that he was soon to be arrested and put to death, but the change in the way he looked (his transfiguration), the extraordinary appearance of Moses and Elijah and hearing the Father's voice from heaven, would have encouraged Jesus to continue his mission - to spread the Good News.



# Good News for Families

## TOGETHER TIME



### Sunday Gospel Gallery

Look at this Sunday's Gospel picture. What can you see? How do you feel? What does it make you think about?

## 1 READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Peter, James and John went with Jesus to pray on a mountain top. While they were praying, Jesus' face shone and his clothes became as brilliant as lightning. Then Moses and Elijah appeared and began to talk to Jesus. They were two great prophets who had lived many centuries earlier. Peter said, "It is good to be here." But then a cloud covered them and a voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him".

**How did Jesus look when he was transformed?**

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.

## 2 SHARE & CARE! Growing in Goodness & Love: This Wednesday's Word...

If God can work through me,  
he can work through anyone."

*St Francis of Assisi*

By showing them his inner glory, Jesus encouraged the disciples. Today, when we listen to and follow Jesus, our lives are transformed and we are filled with words of encouragement. Ask your child what 'to encourage someone' means to them. Who encourages them and keeps them going when they find things difficult? How does it feel to be encouraged? Has your child ever encouraged anyone? What did they do?

## ENCOURAGEMENT



There are times when we all need encouragement. Do you know anyone who may need encouraging? Each of you choose a way to encourage someone during this Lenten season. Perhaps you can: offer words of support; let someone know when they are doing something well; help someone if they are struggling; support each other in keeping CAFOD's Lent Fast Day this Friday.



## 3 Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for encouraging us. Please help us to be more like you – to be an encouragement to those around us. Amen.

## FINDING THREE

**WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH**

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN

JESUS CHANGED  
FACE SHONE  
MOSES ELIJAH  
CLOUD VOICE

SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY

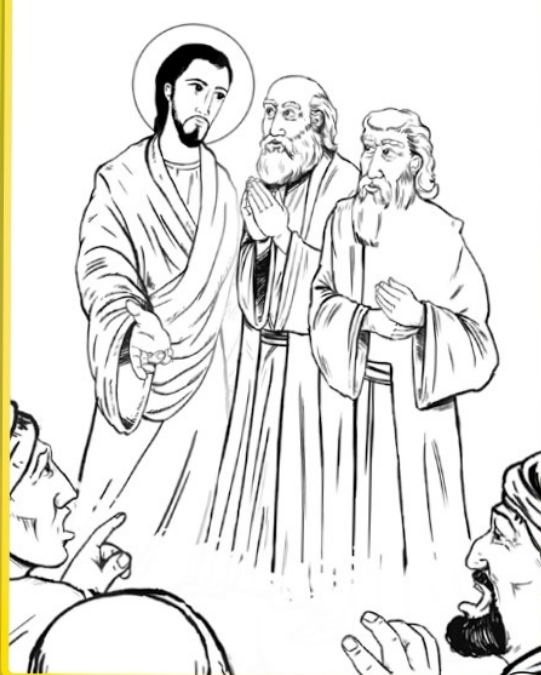
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Cross out the letters **d m u** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

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Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ shone and his \_\_\_\_\_ became

as \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_.



Find and draw 3 differences, then colour the picture



**This Friday is CAFOD's Family Fast Day.** Why not join in so that some of the world's poorest children and families can be helped and encouraged? Discover lots of ideas at: [cafod.org.uk/primary](http://cafod.org.uk/primary)



**This week I will try my best to...**



Write a promise & draw a big smile on Smiley



*Prayerfully preparing for Sunday Mass with special prayers for our school families*



Set aside 10-15 minutes and create a suitable environment by removing any distractions. Make sure that you are comfortable. Perhaps light a candle. Make the sign of the cross and remain still for a minute of settling silence.



Remember that through this scripture our Lord is truly present. Read the Gospel, aloud and slowly, and pay attention to any words that stand out. If any do, meditate on them for a few minutes and be invited into a dialogue with God.

# 1

## Read

### The Gospel for Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

#### THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah," – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him." And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

**Taken from Luke 9:28-36 The Second Sunday of Lent, Year C**

# 2

## Reflect

After reading the Gospel, did any words stand out? If they did, ponder or discuss them before proceeding with the reflection.

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

The gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Lent is always the account of the Transfiguration, preparing the chosen three disciples and ourselves for the coming Passion of Christ. It is a scene of Christ's heavenly glory, his clothes bright as lightning, his glory extending even to the appearance of Moses and Elijah: these two Old Testament personalities are here privileged to speak to Jesus because they each had a vision of God on the holy mountain, called both Sinai and Horeb (in the Old Testament these are two names for the same mountain). The Voice from heaven at the baptism had been addressed to Jesus himself (in Mark and Luke); this time the Voice is a public declaration of Jesus' Sonship, and presents him now as the Chosen Teacher for all people. Luke foreshadows the Passion when he mentions Jerusalem – the place where Jesus is to suffer and die on the cross. The fact that the disciples are praying, and are the same three disciples as are present at the Agony in the Garden, makes a strong link with the Passion of Jesus. This gospel also highlights the importance of prayer in Luke's gospel, for Luke mentions Jesus' prayer and the significance of prayer on several occasions and in several parables (e.g. in the Unjust Judge, the Friend at Midnight, and the Pharisee & the Tax-Collector).

**What do you find the best form of prayer? What commitment to prayer can you make this Lent? Jesus was transfigured on the 'Holy' Mountain. What makes a place 'holy'?**

*Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB*

# 3

## Respond & Request

Now slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel once again but this time in silence. Consider how this Gospel could apply to your life in general. Thank God for any insight you may have received.

Then ask God to bless you with a spiritual gift to help you act on any resolution you have made. Perhaps: love, hope, understanding, wisdom, faithfulness, peace, patience, humility, joy, forgiveness, self-control, courage, generosity, faith or something else.

# 4

## Pray for Families

**This Wednesday's word for our school families is ENCOURAGEMENT !**

After praying for your loved ones, please remember to pray for our present and future Church, particularly for the families connected to our schools. You may want to conclude this special weekly time with a simple prayer such as:

**St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church, pray for us. Mary, Star of Evangelisation, pray for us. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

# WEDNESDAY WORD PLUS †

Fr Henry's reflections on the first and second readings of **Sunday 16th March 2025**



**1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18**

## The Covenant with Abraham

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, "Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants," he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. "I am the Lord," he said to him, "who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land." "My Lord, the Lord," Abram replied, "how am I to know that I shall inherit it?" He said to him, "Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon." He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other, but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: "To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River."

There are different stories of exactly how God's pact with Abraham (or Abram) was made. There is no doubt that it was a promise of lasting protection for Abraham and his descendants. This version takes the form of an ancient sacral covenant, of a kind known from other ancient New Eastern sources. The offerings are cut in half, and the parties making the pact pass between the halves, as a symbol that they will observe the pact faithfully until the two halves come together again. Such covenants were frequent between equals, or between overlord and vassal, but no such covenant is known between a deity and a human being. It perhaps marks the inequality between God and Abraham that only the wondrous symbols of God (the furnace and firebrand) here pass between the halves of the offering: Abraham cannot impose conditions on God! Nor can Abraham do anything to earn or justify the promise God makes: he can only trust in God, for he himself remains a nomad without a settled territory to call his own. Only his descendants will inherit the land and become as the stars of heaven. The awesome mystery of the scene is increased by the deep sleep (the same sleep as fell on Adam for the creation of Eve) and by Abram's terror.

**What covenant does God make with us Christians? What must we do to keep our part of the Covenant?**

**We cannot rest in contentment except in the expectation of the Risen Lord.**



**2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1**

## The Earliest Gospel

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Last Sunday's second reading (from Paul's letter to the Romans) built on the first reading (from Deuteronomy); the Israelite profession of faith in God becomes the Christian's profession of faith in Christ as Risen Lord. So this Sunday Abram's promised ownership of the land is transfigured into the promise of citizenship in heaven to the followers of Christ. In this world we are aliens rather than citizens: neither our fundamental values nor our final aim are those of this world. We cannot rest in contentment except in the expectation of the Risen Lord coming in triumph to assume lordship of all things. This, rather than food or any material goods, must be the basis of our whole system of values. To modern conventions Paul's repeated encouragement to follow his rule of life or to imitate him may seem boastful and complacent. But Paul asks us to imitate him not for his own glory, but because he sees himself as the servant of Christ, suffering for Christ, just as Jesus suffered as the Servant of the Lord. Paul's sufferings are the badge of apostleship. In other passages, Paul shows that he is as aware as any of us of his own failings and of his inability to live up to his ideals.

**Who are "models" for us? How can we follow Christ more closely?**

**The Wednesday Word** Connecting Home, School & Parish through the Word of God

**The Wednesday Word is under the patronage of St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church  
Within the tradition of the Catholic Church, each Wednesday is dedicated to St Joseph**

Happy Birthday this week to...

Arnas, Jeremy, Hector, Joel,  
Zach, Charles, Justin  
Francis-Elliott, Amia-Rae & Arribella



### Head Teacher Award:

Millie, for the excellent improvement in her work and good attitude to learning  
Anayah and Indiana, for their quick thinking and concern for others

### Golden Awards

- Butterflies: Halle, for great ideas when writing our own version of a poem.  
Ladybirds: All of Ladybirds, for excellent behaviour during our first mass in church.  
Dragonflies: Temidayo, for being a kind friend.  
Grasshoppers: Zuriel, for always having a cheerful attitude and making us all smile.  
Hedgehogs: Tharani, for amazing art work.  
Squirrels: Stanley, for following classroom routines and demonstrating positive behaviours.  
Badgers: Dennis, for super maths work.  
Foxes: Olivia, for her excellent efforts learning about fractions.  
Hares: Aidan, for having a great attitude towards his learning in all subjects.  
Rabbits: Tadhg, for being a kind and caring friend to all, always willing to help.  
Kingfishers: Barry, for working hard in maths converting fractions to decimals.  
Robins: All of Robins, for their amazing poetry performance.  
Eagles: Jeremy, for always having a positive attitude to his learning.  
Owls: Ella, for a positive attitude to all her maths work.

### House Points

Congratulations to the winning  
house this week, St Patrick's

Menu week 1

## Diary Dates

All clubs and boosters are run from 15:15 - 16:15

#### Monday 17th March

St Patrick's Day - non uniform for St Patrick's house

Robins swimming

#### Tuesday 18th March

Reading zone - Reception

Boosters - Year 6

#### Wednesday 19th March

Reading zone - Reception

Booster - Year 6

Karate - Years 2 & 3

#### Thursday 20th March

Reading zone - Reception

Karate - Years 4, 5 & 6

CAFOD - Years 4 to 6

Year 6 parents SATs meeting 15:30

#### Friday 21st March

KS2 assembly 9:00

Year 1 parents phonics meeting 09:00

Year 4 trip

KS1 assembly 14:30



Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Mrs A Kerrell

Please download our News & Events App for dates for the year. Details are available on the schools website under News & Events at [www.holycross-pri.essex.sch.uk](http://www.holycross-pri.essex.sch.uk)