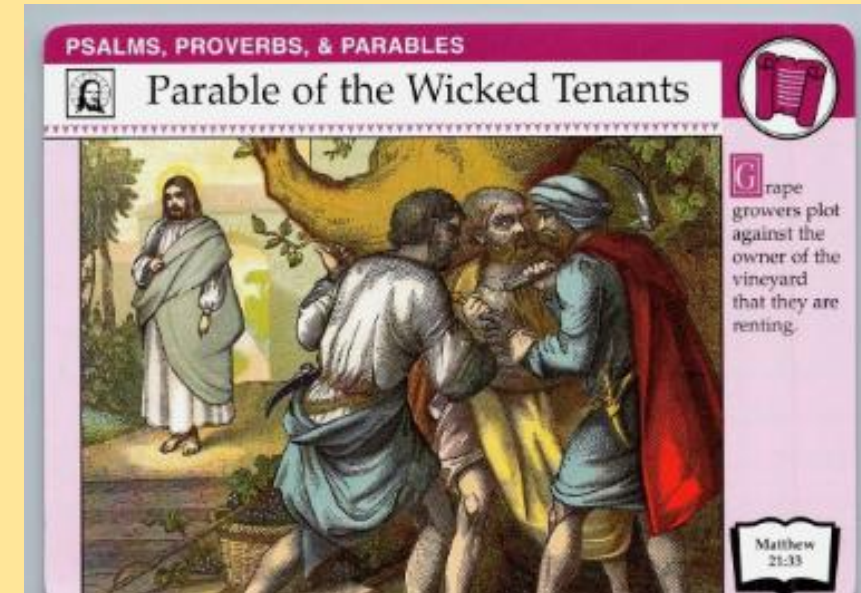
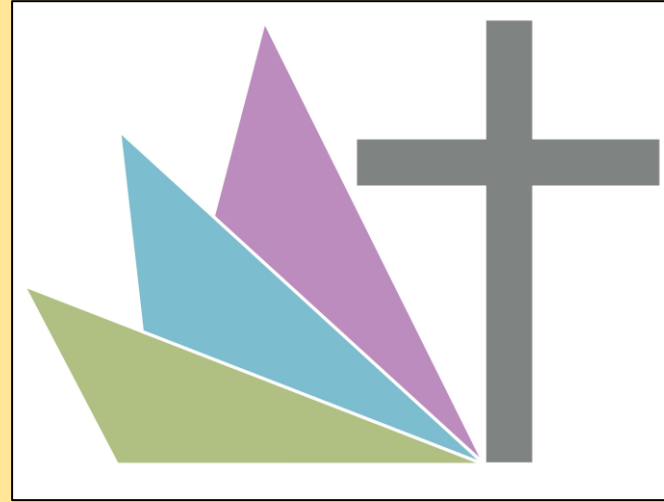
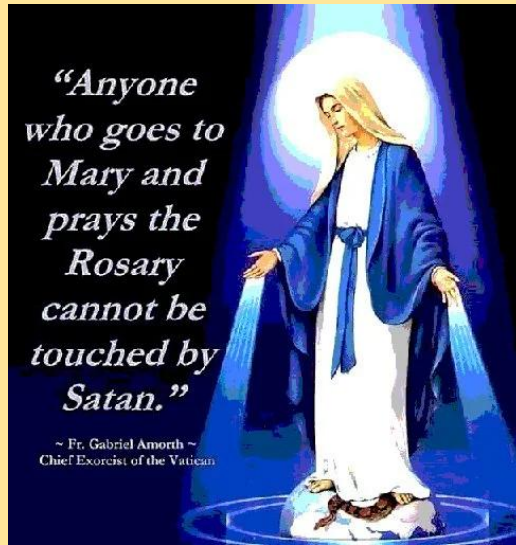


Prayer & Reflection



Week beginning: **Monday 5th October**

Determination - (October = the month of the Rosary)

Catholic Social Teaching = Community & Participation, Human Dignity,
Caring for Creation

Gospel – 27th Sunday Ordinary Time

The Wednesday Word

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You are invited to 10 minutes of prayer and reflection every Wednesday.
Join Jonathan Roumie (Jesus- The Chosen), Jeff Cavins, Mark Wahlberg, Chris Pratt and Gwen Stefani as we reflect on the Gospel on the day.

8am

12:40pm (First lunch)

1:30pm (Second lunch)

Venue- School Chapel.

Have you heard the phrase, 'to throw in the towel'?

Did you know that the phrase comes from boxing?

When the trainer thinks their boxer can't take any more blows, they will throw a towel into the ring to tell the referee to stop the contest.



We associate the phrase now with giving up before the end.

Seven reasons why people give up on their ideas:

They want the outcome more than they are prepared to work for it.

They care too much about what people think (and fear judgment in failure).

They think making mistakes along the way is a sign of failure, rather than a learning experience.

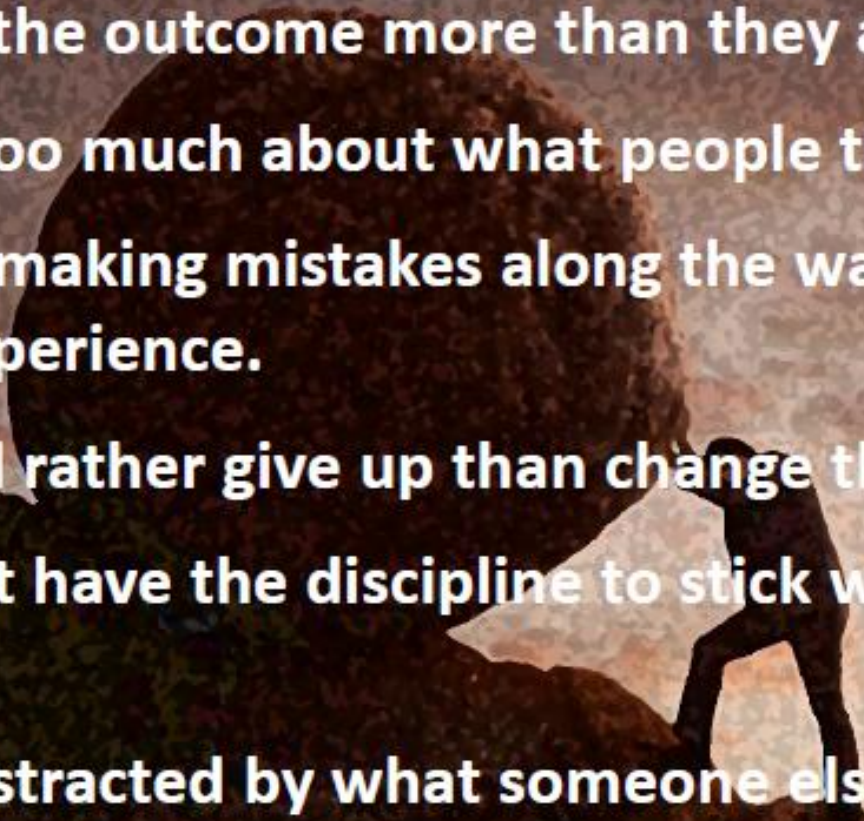
They would rather give up than change the way they usually do things.

They do not have the discipline to stick with their idea long enough to see it through.

They get distracted by what someone else is doing.

They don't believe in themselves enough.

Can you think of other reasons why people might give up?



How would the world be different if these people had given up?



NELSON MANDELA
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Do not judge me by my successes, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again.

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I Have A Dream

Martin Luther King Jr.



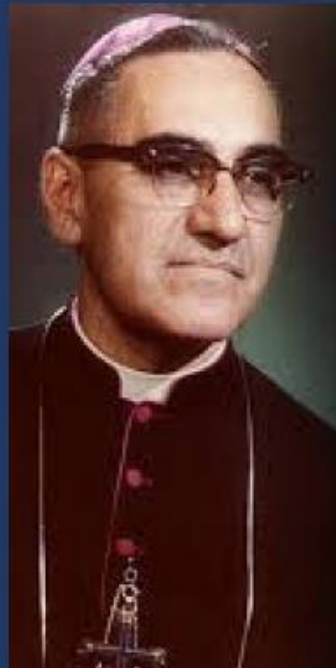
IF IT IS RIGHT FOR MEN TO FIGHT FOR THEIR FREEDOM, AND GOD KNOWS WHAT THE HUMAN RACE WOULD BE LIKE TODAY IF MEN HAD NOT... THEN IT IS RIGHT FOR WOMEN TO FIGHT FOR THEIR FREEDOM.

- Emmeline Pankhurst.



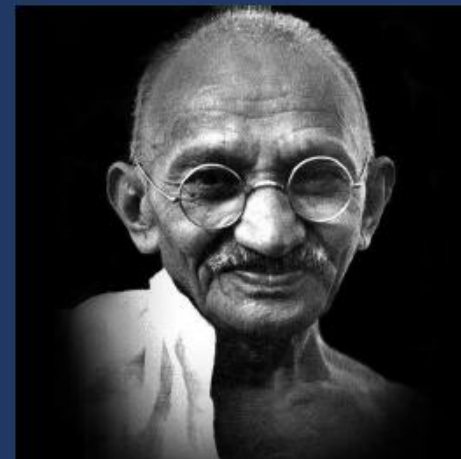
Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. **Now is the time** to understand more, so that **we may fear less.**

- Marie Curie



YOU CAN TELL THE PEOPLE THAT IF THEY SUCCEED IN KILLING ME, THAT I FORGIVE AND BLESS THOSE WHO DO IT. HOPEFULLY, THEY WILL REALIZE THEY ARE WASTING THEIR TIME. A BISHOP WILL DIE, BUT THE CHURCH OF GOD, WHICH IS THE PEOPLE, WILL NEVER PERISH.

— OSCAR ROMERO —
AUG. 15, 1917 – MARCH 24, 1980



First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win.

-Mahatma Gandhi

In the month of October, as we continue to focus on Mary, we should consider whether she too gave up hope.

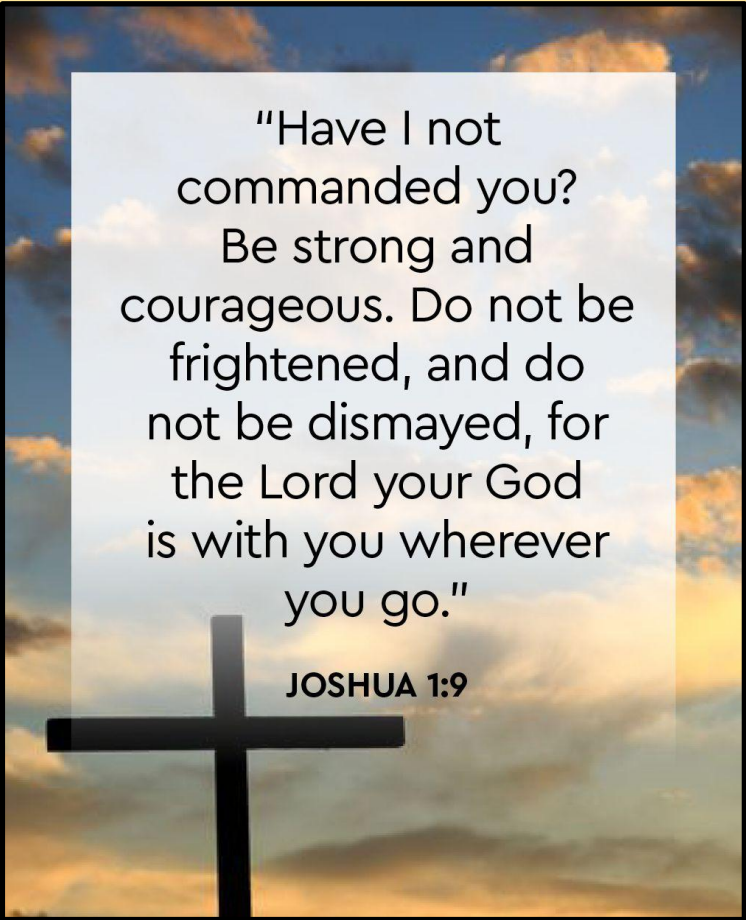
While she was sad to see Jesus's suffering, she alone knew what was in store for him.

How do we know this?

Amongst the other evidence, she knew, by her perfect faith, that Jesus would indeed rise from the dead on the third day – therefore she did not go with the other women to the tomb on Easter Sunday morning, she knew you would not seek the living among the dead.



As Jesus' mother Mary kept the faith and did not give up hope, she believed in the Resurrection.



"Have I not
commanded you?
Be strong and
courageous. Do not be
frightened, and do
not be dismayed, for
the Lord your God
is with you wherever
you go."

JOSHUA 1:9

REFLECTION

Can you think of something in life which is a challenge to you?

Think about Mary's faith in Jesus and the quote from Joshua 1:9.
Pray to God for the strength to carry on and to overcome the challenges you have in life.

During October - Please consider finding time to pray the rosary
– you are WELCOME to come to the school chapel and be
introduced to PRAYING THE ROSARY.



REMINDER

During the month of October, the school will offer you the opportunity at lunch time to pray the Rosary to Mary.

Catholics often use the rosary to ask Mary to intercede to God, to ask for God's help for the challenges in our lives.

Praying the rosary together as a group links to the theme of Community and Participation in Catholic Social Teaching. You can pray the Rosary with your friends and/or family, (the person is not only - sacred, but also social).

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Years 7, 8, 12 & 13 = FRIDAY, lesson 5 lunch from 12.40pm

Years 9, 10, 11 = FRIDAY, lesson 6 lunch from 1.20pm



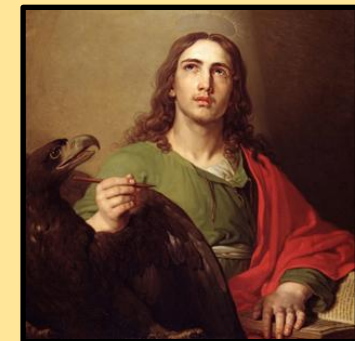
HAIL MARY,
*full of grace,
the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among
women, and blessed is
the fruit of your womb,
Jesus. Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us
sinners, now
and at the hour
of our death.
Amen.*



OCTOBER
Month of the Holy Rosary



inspirati a christo
Go Forth Today and
Be Inspired by Christ



St John the Apostle and Evangelist, pray for us.
Amen.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 21:38 - But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill



Parable of the Wicked Tenants



him and have his inheritance.' 39 And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him.



Matthew 21: 33-43

Verse to Remember:

The kingdom of God will be given to a people that will produce its fruit."
(Matthew 21:43)

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL READING – 27th Sunday Ordinary Time

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew 21: 33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: “Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way.

Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.’ They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?”

They answered him, “He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times.”

Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?

Therefore, I say to you, **the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.**

Reader = the Gospel of the Lord.

RESPONSE = Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



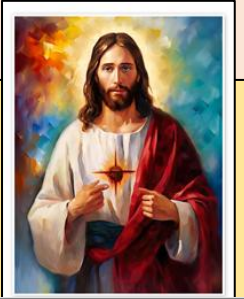
Explanation of this week's Gospel reading

Jesus tells the story of tenants who are entrusted with a vineyard but fail to care for it responsibly. When the landowner sends servants, and eventually his son, to collect the fruit, the tenants reject them. Through this parable, Jesus reminds us that everything we have is a gift from God and that we are called to use these gifts wisely, responsibly and for the good of others. This links closely to **Catholic Social Teaching**, particularly **Caring for God's Creation, the Common Good, and Human Dignity**. God entrusts each of us with talents, opportunities and responsibilities. As followers of Christ, we are called not simply to receive these gifts, but to care for and use them in ways that help others flourish.

REFLECTION – THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

To be **Inspired by Christ** means recognising that our abilities, time and resources are gifts to be shared. In our school community, we live this mission when we take responsibility for our learning, care for one another, and use our talents in **Service to Others**. By doing so, we help create a community where there is **Excellence for All**.

Thought for today: How can I use the gifts God has given me to make a positive difference to someone else today?



Dignity of the human person

We are all made in God's image so we all deserve respect.



PRAYER – to Be Inspired by Christ

Loving Father,
Thank you for the many gifts and blessings you have entrusted to us.
Help us to be **Inspired by Christ**, using our talents wisely and living as faithful stewards of your love.
Guide us to live in **Service to Others**, sharing our gifts generously and caring for those in need.
As we strive for **Excellence for All**, help us to work hard, encourage one another and use our abilities for the good of our whole community.
May we always respect the dignity of every person, care for your creation, and build a world that reflects your justice, peace and love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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St John the Apostle & Evangelist – pray for us. Amen.