

## Opening Song

A song about our Openness to God or Trust in God, something quiet and reflective:

- Be still for the presence of the Lord (David Evans)
- O God, search me (Bernadette Farrell)
- O Lord, I know you are near (Daniel Schutte)
- O the word of my Lord (Damian Lundy)
- O Word of God (Ricky Manalo)

## Sign of the Cross

All            In the name of the Father...

## Introduction

Leader        This week we remember the life and teaching of St Thérèse of Lisieux, especially her invitation to everyone to serve God in all the small things that we do and say - to follow the 'Little Way'.

(If desired more information about St Thérèse can be found and included here.)

Let us prepare ourselves to listen to God's word.

## Scripture Reading

Choose one of the following:

Luke 11:9-10     Ask, and it will be given to you.

Luke 12: 22-31   Set your heart on the kingdom

Luke 15: 8-10    The parable of the lost drachma

Luke 17:7-10    We are merely servants

Luke 18:9-14    The parable of the Pharisee and the tax-collector.

An alternative scripture resource can be found on the website –  
Wednesday Word: [www.catholicnews.org.uk/little-way-week](http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/little-way-week)

## **Reflection**

Use the ‘Theresian Qualities’ document as the basis for the reflection,  
available as a download on the Little Way Week web section.

## **Intercessions**

Some sample intercessions:

For deepening our trust in God, we pray to the Lord.  
Lord, in your mercy.  
Hear our prayer.

For the courage to take the opportunity to make a difference in the  
small things, we pray to the Lord...

For the imagination to recognise God’s love at work in one another, we  
pray to the Lord...

## **Lord’s Prayer**

Leader As we look to the coming of God’s kingdom, let us say:

All: Our Father...

## **Concluding Prayer**

Leader O God, who opens your Kingdom  
to those who are humble and to little ones,  
lead us to follow trustingly in the little way of Saint  
Thérèse,  
so that through her intercession  
we may see your eternal glory revealed.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy  
Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen

Leader      The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil,  
                 and bring us to everlasting life.

All            Amen

## **Concluding Song**

A song about discipleship or commitment:

- Blest are they, the poor in spirit (David Haas)
- Christ be our light (Bernadette Farrell)
- Seek ye first (Karen Lafferty)
- Will you come and follow me (John Bell & Graham Maule)

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