

Wednesday 9th October

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday



A Gift to you from your Catholic School Sharing Sunday's Gospel with Parents and Families



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the 'Little Way Week' edition of The Wednesday Word – a week which is inspired by the life of St Thérèse of Lisieux.

St Thérèse lived a short life - just 24 years. Even though she was ill and suffered at the end of her life, she remained thankful to God. She is a great role model for all.

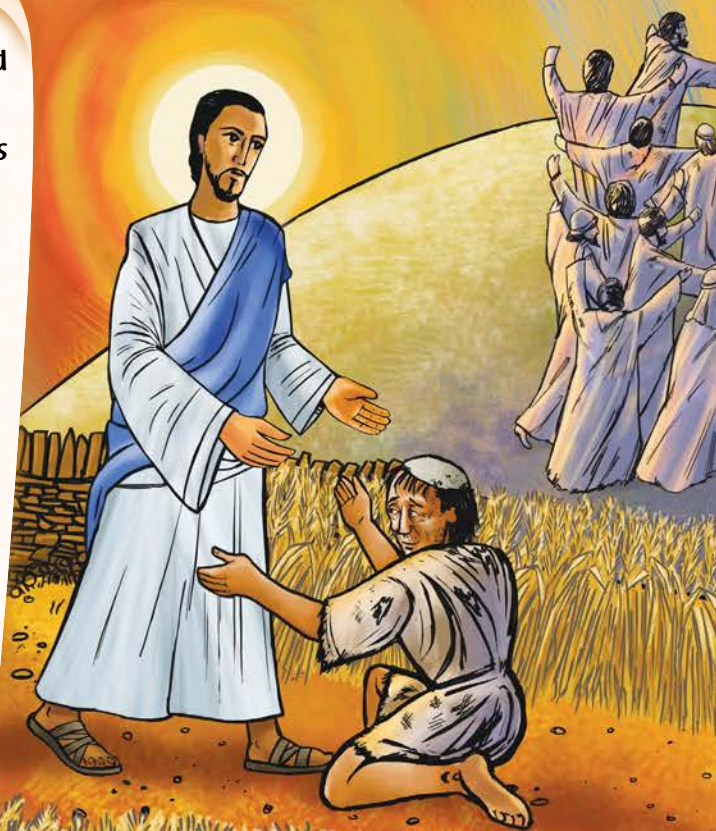
In this Sunday's Gospel (below), we read about the Samaritan thanking Jesus. For us too, it is always worth giving thanks to God and telling God how wonderful he is. It doesn't surprise God, but puts us in the right frame of mind and we discover being thankful to God helps us to be happy in life.

Just follow the three simple steps overleaf to enjoy a special Family Time together, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **THANKFULNESS**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough

To see this week's Parish Version of The Wednesday Word please visit:
www.wednesdayword.org – Parents' Pages - Lectio Divina with Fr Henry.

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Adapted from

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY - 13TH OCTOBER 2013

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, "Jesus! Master! Take pity on us." When he saw them he said, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, "Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner." And he said to the man, "Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you."



Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 13th October 2013 – Luke 17:11-19 (the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C)

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church ~ all are warmly invited.



Our Special 5 Minutes Together



FAMILY TIME & SUNDAY SEARCH PAGE

Helping your child Grow in Faith and Thankfulness through Sunday's Gospel

1 Enjoy Reading this Sunday's Gospel Together

See the Gospel overleaf (or below for younger children)

On his way to Jerusalem, Jesus went into a village. Ten men with leprosy, a terrible skin disease, stood a long way off. They shouted, "Jesus! Master! Take pity on us." Jesus said, "Go and show yourselves to the priests as the Law teaches us." As they went on their way they were all healed. But only one of the ten, a Samaritan, turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. Jesus said to the man, "Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you."

How many lepers were healed? How many came back to say thank you? Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Look at the Sunday Gospel Gallery below or overleaf and imagine you are there. How would you feel if you were one of the lepers healed by Jesus? How would you thank Jesus?

GOOD NEWS FOR FAMILIES

A thankful heart is a happy heart. It is good for us to be thankful to God for the blessings of his love, for our lives, our families, our school, our talents and for the love of those around us. St Thèrèse reminds us that regularly making the appropriate response to God's kindness, with praise and thankfulness, brings great joy into our lives.



2 This Wednesday's Word

THANKFULNESS

'Thankfulness' strengthens our relationship with God and with each other.

Ask your child what the word 'thankfulness' means to them. You may want to help your child understand what the word 'thankfulness' means to you. Can your child remember a time when they felt really thankful to someone? How did they show their thanks to that person? Each of you name one or two things that (as well as your family) you are most thankful to God for.

3 Loving God & Each Other

St Thèrèse shows us that thanking God at all times is a great way to live life.

Remembering regularly to say 'thank you' to each other throughout the day helps love to grow. As we celebrate 'Little Way Week', who else will you remember to thank in these coming days? Perhaps: a parent or carer, a family member, a teacher or a friend. How will you do this (e.g. with a hug, kind words, a thank you note, a prayer, a gift, or by offering help)?

Dear Lord Jesus, help us to be like St Thèrèse - to be thankful to you for blessing us in so many ways and to show our thankfulness by doing something good for others too. Amen

Sunday Search™

Gospel Gallery

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SEEK - FIND COLOUR - CREATE

Find the following words in Sunday's Scripture Square

- TEN → LEPERS A
- JESUS → HEALED B
- ONE → THANKFUL C
- PRAISED → GOD D

SMARTsearchers: down or across
 SUPERsearchers: backwards or diagonal



Little Way Week
 5th - 11th October 2013



Little Way Week takes its inspiration from St Thèrèse of Lisieux who gave the Church a teaching called the Little Way: a commitment to do small tasks every day with love. See the special feature, with ideas for seven days of service, at www.catholicnews.org.uk/little-way-week

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