



# Growing In Faith Together

Living and learning, inspired by our faith.



## Sunday's Gospel:

24<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday, (Passion Sunday)

### A reflection of Sunday's Gospel:

This piece of scripture describes the events leading up to Jesus' crucifixion on the cross, starting with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and ending with his death on Good Friday. It also includes the Last Supper, where Jesus institutes the sacrament of the Eucharist, and his betrayal by Judas, as well as his trial and crucifixion.

This reminds us of Jesus' love and sacrifice for us. It teaches them about the importance of forgiveness, compassion, and the true meaning of Easter. We learn about the suffering and sacrifice that Jesus endured for all of humanity. Finally, it teaches us about the love and redemption that Jesus brought to the world.

### In school this week ...

This week at school, all year groups have been creating artwork for the stations of the cross, which show Jesus' last moments before he was crucified. Next week, there will be a prayer trail where students can reflect on the stations and their significance.

On Wednesday, it was St. Joseph's Feast Day, and the GIFT Team and House Captains in Year 6 led an assembly focusing on St. Joseph. We did this because he is one of our house saints and as a school we find him inspirational because he is Jesus' foster father, a hard worker and he looked after Jesus as he grew up. We challenged everyone to be more like him. The assembly encouraged students to embody the qualities of St. Joseph and carry out acts of kindness and service.

### A prayer of the week ...

Dear God,

On this special day of Palm Sunday, we thank you for the love and sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ. As we remember his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we pray that you fill our hearts with joy and celebration.

Help us to understand the significance of this day and the events that followed, leading up to Easter. May we learn from Jesus' example of humility, compassion, and forgiveness, and strive to follow in his footsteps each day.

Bless all children around the world, dear God. Help them to grow in faith, love, and kindness.

Guide them on their journey to know you and to walk in your ways. May they always feel your presence and know that they are cherished and loved by you.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings you have given us and for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we always remember his sacrifice and live our lives in accordance with your will.

Amen.

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