



# Growing In Faith Together

Living and learning, inspired by our faith.



## Sunday's Gospel:

12th May 2024 – The Ascension of the Lord  
Mark 16: 15-20

## A reflection of Sunday's Gospel:

Before Jesus went back to Heaven, Jesus told his disciples to go out into the world and share the good news about God's love with everyone. He wanted them to tell people about how much God loves them and wants to forgive them of their sins.

Jesus also warned them that if people don't believe in God and don't accept his love, they will be sorry. But if they do believe and ask for forgiveness, they will be saved and have eternal life.

What does this mean for us?

We should share our faith with others, just like the disciples did. We can tell our friends about how God loves us and wants us to be happy.

We should always try to be kind and loving to others, even if they don't believe in God like we do. We should be grateful for God's love in our lives and ask for his forgiveness when we make mistakes.

We should always remember that God loves us no matter what, and that he wants us to be with him forever.

## In school this week ...

Whole school: This week, every morning, we prayed the children's Rosary focusing on the Glorious Mysteries. We were able to use Rosary beads donated to us from the PTA and church. We also had more parents join our Rosary sessions this week too!

Whole school: Also, this week, Year 5 led the school in a Mass service for the solemnity 'The Ascension'. Isabella, Matthew and Niamh were really brave and sang 'This is my body' when everyone went up to receive the body of Christ.

Year 3: This week, we've been learning about doubting Thomas and if he was right to doubt Jesus' resurrection or not. We pretended to be reporters from the Jerusalem times and write an interview script as if we were interviewing Thomas about what happened. We also learned about Jesus' Ascension and how the story appears in Luke's Gospel and Acts of the Apostles too! In groups, we acted out the Ascension and then reflected on Jesus' Ascension, thinking about what it means for us and why is the Ascension an important belief for us.

Year 1: This week, year 1 have been learning about doubting Thomas. When he saw Jesus he said, 'My God, My Lord'. But Jesus teaches us that we don't have to see him to believe in him.

## A prayer of the week ...

Dear God,

Thank you keeping your promise and rising from the dead. You have now ascended into heaven. Please fill everyone with the Holy spirit. Please guide us to be like Jesus in what we say and how we act.

Amen.

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