

“Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me”



Remembrance Day

Prior to Liturgy:

Students in each class will write a wish for peace on a felt/paper poppy, dove, or a leaf. Each class makes a wreath of peace which is adorned with these messages of peace.

Gathering Song: Let there be Peace on Earth

As choir sings, students from each class bring forward the Wreaths of Peace

Sign of the Cross

Introductory Prayer: Jesus was kind and forgiving. He said good things about people and He never fought with anyone. This is what a peacemaker is. Jesus wants us to be like him and be peacemakers too.

First Reading: Eph 4:25-27, 29-32 (paraphrased)

So from now on, there must be no more lies: you must speak the truth to one another, since we are parts of one another. Even if you are angry, you must not sin; never let the sun set on your anger. Do not say bad things about one another. Do good to your listeners. Never hold grudges or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anyone, or call one another names. Be friends with one another; be kind, and forgive as readily as God forgives you.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Is 26:12; 54:10; 9:6 (paraphrased)

Response: Jesus, You Teach Us Peace

Jesus, you teach us peace. You treat us the way we deserve. **R.**

Wide is your rule in a peace that will never end. **R.**

You will never leave us. Your peace will never be shaken. **R.**

Gospel: Mt 11:28-30 (paraphrased)

Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you peace. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find peace for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

OR

Mt 5:1-12 (paraphrased)

Beatitudes of Jesus

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Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for they know the unutterable beauty of simple things.

Blessed are those who mourn,
for they have dared to risk their hearts by giving of their love.

Blessed are the meek,
gentle earth shall embrace them and hallow them as its own.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall know the taste of noble thoughts and deeds.

Blessed are the merciful,
for in return theirs is the gift of giving.

Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall be at one with themselves and the universe.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for theirs is a kinship with everything that is holy.

Blessed are those who are persecuted
for righteousness' sake, for the truth will set them free.

Prayers of the Faithful-Petitions: (Listed Below and as per the needs of your school)

Response: Jesus, Help us to be peacemakers!

So we can be kind and forgiving, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

So we can say only good things about people, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

For all people who find it hard to be good peacemakers, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

For all those who have died for peace, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

For all those who keep peace, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

Offertory Actions: 2 students from each class process up with the Peace Wreath from their class

Let us pray with the words that Jesus taught us:

Our Father...

Sign of Peace

Amen

Closing Song: Prayer of St. Francis

Peace Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy;

Grant that I may not so much seek;
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving
That we receive,
It is in pardoning,
That we are pardoned,
And it is in dying, that we are born to eternal life.