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<p>Monday</p>	<p><b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September Mass:</b> Read Gospel Matthew 18:15-20 Can you remember what Jesus says in today's reading about prayer?</p> <p>Jesus says that God listens to and answers our prayers. What does Jesus say about when two or three people meet together in his name? Jesus says that he is there with them. What do you think it means to meet together in Jesus' name? It has been hard to meet together in person this year. But fortunately many of us have still been able to meet together through our computer screens. However we meet people, in person or virtually, whether it's to pray, to learn, to sing, or to talk, or to do something else together, if we invite Jesus in, then he will be with us, listening to us and guiding us. Can you think of a time when you meet together with others in Jesus' name? Can you tell me a bit about it? We can meet together in Jesus' name at church, at home and at school. Can you think of any other places where this happens? Pray for those that have felt lonely during this time.</p>	
<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>Finding ways to bring people together is at the heart of CAFOD's work. It has been so impressive that even while things have looked different this year, the Catholic community in England of Wales have still managed come together to support others around the world. For example, pupils at Salesian college in Farnborough organised online quizzes to bring everyone in their community together and to make a difference. While Ann in Milton Keynes held a socially-distanced garden party, inviting people from their parish for share food and to look at her beautiful plants and flowers. It was a lovely afternoon of friendship and sharing. If Jesus is with us, when we gather together, how can we make sure we listen to him and do what he asks of us? In the coming week, when you join together in Jesus' name with other people to pray or to sing, remember that all around the world other children are also joining together in Jesus' name. Say a prayer for them: that all children around the world may live happy and healthy lives, in peace and free from poverty.</p>	
<p>Wednesday</p>	<p>We know that Jesus is the Son of God and so we pray together: We pray for the Church throughout the world: that everyone may know that she works in Jesus' name, who came to bring good news to the poor. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p>We pray for our brothers and sisters around the world: that they may all have the chance to live happy and healthy lives, in peace and safety and free from poverty. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p>We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may invite Jesus to be with us in all we do, and that we may treat all people as they would wish to be treated. Lord, in your mercy...</p>	

	<p><b>Closing prayer:</b> Christ Jesus, we thank you for being with us. Watch over us and all our sisters and brothers around the world. Help us to work together in peace and unity, so all people may live free from poverty. Amen.</p>	
Thursday	<p>Go onto the CAFOD website and read the extracts based upon Education in other parts of the world (this relates to world education day) How are we fortunate with our education? How can we help others who are less fortunate than ourselves?</p>	
Friday	<p>Access the link below to choose your own prayer for today's prayer time. There are some wonderful prayers to choose from. <a href="https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Children-s-prayer-films">https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Children-s-prayer-films</a></p>	

	<b><u>Prayer Mission activities September 14th-September 18th 2020</u></b>	
Monday	<p><b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September Mass:</b> Read Gospel Matthew 18:21-35 What do you remember from today's reading? Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive someone. What does Jesus answer? Jesus says that Peter should forgive someone not just seven times, but 70 x 7. That's a lot isn't it! Do you think Jesus wants us to count how many times we forgive someone? What happens if we forgive them more than 70 x 7 times? Jesus chose 70 x 7 because it was a really big number – he is saying to Peter that there should be no end to our forgiveness, just like there is no end to God's forgiveness. If someone is truly sorry and tries to change then we should try to forgive them. Then Jesus tells Peter a story to show what he means. Can you remember what happens in the story? The king is God – who is always ready to be patient, merciful and forgiving with us if we ask, and if we try to change our ways. The servant is like us – we sometimes find it hard to change our ways, to stop doing what we know is wrong. Can you think of a time when you have been forgiven? How did you feel?</p>	
Tuesday	<p>This week let's try our best to make a change in the way we treat other people, to say sorry when we have done something wrong, and to forgive and help others make a change in the way they behave. Let us pray... We pray for the Church throughout the world: that it will be a living example of God's love and forgiveness for all. Lord, in your mercy....</p>	




	<p>We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we will do our best to treat each other better and to say sorry when we have done something wrong. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p>We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may try to help others to see that they need to make a change, so that they no longer hurt others and the world becomes a better place for all to live. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p><b>Closing prayer:</b> God of love, help us to share your forgiveness with others. Guide us to do what is right and to make this world a fairer place for all who live in it. Amen.</p>	
Wednesday	<p>Think about something you have done wrong. How can you make a change so that in the future you can try to be better? Say sorry to God quietly in your hearts and say sorry to the other person out loud in the coming week.</p> <p>Look out for things that you know are wrong in the coming week. Can you find a way to change the situation, so that the world is better for everyone?</p>	
Thursday	Write a 'sorry' prayer to Jesus and share it with your family.	
Friday	<p>Access the link below to choose your own prayer for today's prayer time. There are some wonderful prayers to choose from.</p> <p><a href="https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Children-s-prayer-films">https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Children-s-prayer-films</a></p>	


 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Prayer Mission activities September 27th-October 2nd 2020</u></b></p>		
Monday	<p><b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September Mass:</b> Read Gospel Matthew 21:28-32</p> <p>What do you remember from today's gospel reading?  A man had two sons and he asked them both to go out and work in the vineyard. What did the sons say?  The first son said he would not go. But what happened next? He changed his mind and went as his father had asked him.  The second son said he would go. But what happened next? He did not go out to the vineyard.  Jesus asks a question about this story. Which one of the two sons did what his father asked him to do? The first son or the second son?  The first son went and did what his father asked, even though at first he did not want to.  Can you think of a time when someone asked you to do something? Did you do it? Or did you just <u>say</u> you would do it? How did you feel afterwards? And how do you think the person who asked for your help felt?</p>	

	<p>What will you do the next time someone asks you for help? How will you help other people in the coming week?          Why do you think Jesus tells this story? What is he trying to teach us?</p>	
<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>What will you do this week to help others at home? At school? In your local community? And around the world?          We know that God loves us and so we have the courage to pray together:          We pray for world leaders: that they may never forget people who are poor and may make decisions for the good of all our brothers and sisters. Lord, in your mercy...          We pray for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world: that we may all help one another so that everyone can live happy and healthy lives, free from poverty. Lord, in your mercy...          We pray for our parish, our families and our friends: that we may be moved to share what we have with others, especially those who are poor or in need. Lord, in your mercy...  <b>Closing prayer:</b> Generous God, we thank you for all you have given us. Help us to live as you ask us to and to help others whenever we can. Amen.</p>	
<p>Wednesday</p>	<p>Encourage the children to listen carefully to all that they are asked to do in the next week and to think about how they can help others at home, school, locally and globally.</p> <p>Invite the children to sit quietly for a few moments and listen to God. What is God asking them to do? Can they try and follow what God wants for them this week?</p>	
<p>Thursday</p>	<p>Log onto the CAFOD website to find out about children in countries that are poverty stricken.          How can we help them?          Write a prayer to God, asking him to look after those who are less fortunate than ourselves.</p>	
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**Prayer Mission activities September 21st-September 25th 2020**


<p>Monday</p>	<p><b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September Mass:</b> Read Gospel Matthew 20:1-16          Can you think of a time when you felt something was unfair?          How did it make you feel? What did you do about it?          Who do you think the landowner in the story is supposed to be?          What is Jesus trying to tell us?          Jesus is showing us that God's idea of fairness (sometimes we use the word justice), is different from ours. God's fairness is about making sure that every single person gets what they need, no matter what their situation.          God gives us what we need and not just what others think we deserve. God is generous and created a world with enough for absolutely everyone.          But do you think everyone in our world does have enough food and water? Why/why not? Do you think this is fair? Do you think this is what God wants?          How can we help make sure that all people get their fair share of the good things that God has given us?</p>	
<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>What will you do this week to try to help make sure that all people around the world get their fair share of the things that God has given for us all?          We believe that God is generous and fair and so we pray together:</p> <p>We pray for world leaders: that they may do all they can to make the world a fairer place and make sure that all people have their fair share. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p>We pray for our sisters and brothers around the world, especially those who are poor: that every single person may have what they need to live. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p>We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may be generous and fair to all people in our one global family. Lord, in your mercy...</p> <p><b>Closing prayer:</b> Living Lord, we give thanks for your generosity and love. Help us to take no more than we need, to share all that we have and to work together for change so that the world becomes a fairer place for everyone. Amen.</p>	
<p>Wednesday</p>	<p>Take a sheet of paper and divide it into two columns. In one column write or draw all the things that you think are unfair in the world. In the other column write or draw how you can help change these things to make the world a fairer place.</p>	
<p>Thursday</p>	<p>Write a thank you prayer, explaining what you are grateful for in the world.          Bring this prayer into school for your class prayer book.</p>	


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