## Monday Gospel

Colour: Green

Song suggestions: Sing it in the valleys, shout it from the mountain top <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzBAQqSXbdA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzBAQqSXbdA</a>

**Welcome:** Today, Jesus tells us how much God loves us by pointing out that even a sparrow is well cared for, and we are worth much more to Him than that. So, we should not be afraid. We should be proud of our faith and 'shout it from the mountain top'.

**Gospel acclamation:** We make the sign of the cross on our head, we ask Jesus to be in the thoughts that we think. We make the sign of the cross on our lips, we ask Jesus to be in the words that we speak We make the sign of the cross on our heart, we ask Jesus to be in the love that we show to one another.

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

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The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

## Gospel Mission: Do not be afraid to praise God.

God loves us all and so we are called to take care of one another, to love one another, no matter where in the world we are. We are also called to protect and care for the earth, so that everyone can share in the good things that God has given us.

This can be hard sometimes. We might need to be brave and to speak out for what we know is right when we see others treating people or the earth badly.

God loves you. Share His love with those you meet.

**Intercessions:** We know that every person and every living thing is important to God and so we pray together:

We pray for the Church throughout the world: that she may continue to follow Jesus' example of respect and love for all people. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for children who are poor: that they may make their stories heard and have hope for the future. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may see that all people are equally important, no matter whether they are rich or poor. May we share God's love and bring hope to our world. Lord, in your mercy...

	Closing prayer: God of life, help us to see the beauty of your world, and to treat all people around the world with respect and love. May we share your hope and love with others. Amen.
	Activity suggestions
	Talk about the beautiful things of creation that remind us of God's love and care for each and every one of us.
	Ask the children to write or draw in the clouds on the illustration some of the things they have mentioned. Remind them that when they are afraid, they can think about how much God loves these things and how much God loves them. Thinking about God's love for us can help us to feel brave, just like the disciples.
	Discuss as a family all that you have heard and thought about today and think during the week about how you can help care for the world and for all the people in it.
Tuesday &	This is your own private family time for prayers.
Thursday	You might like to use some of the prayer ideas that are in the school prayer bag – praying with lego, bubbles and plasticine.
Family	You might like to make a prayer chain which you add to every Tuesday and Thursday.
Prayers	You might like to add to your Prayer Space.
Wednesday Core Value	SUMMER OF HOPE Watch the CAFOD summerofhope launch video <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fk8XTLhvL0s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fk8XTLhvL0s</a>
	We would love everyone in our school community to be part of a Summer of Hope to ensure clean water and food reaches some of the poorest families in the world during this global coronavirus pandemic.
	All you need to do is recreate an event you will miss this summer and have fun transforming it into a sign of hope through raising
	money for <u>CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal</u> . Go to the website for lots of great fundraising ideas:
	https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/School-fundraising/Summer-of-Hope
	You can lodge the money you raise directly with CAFOD on their 'just giving' page.
	Send us photos or videos of your fundraising event.
	Tell us how much money you have raised – we will keep a running total and keep you informed.
	TOGETHER WE CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR INTERNATIONAL FAMILY.
Friday	SUMMER OF HOPE

## reflection

You might want to use rainbow colours to make a display for SUMMER OF HOPE.

Use your time today to read more about CAFOD's work.

Use your time today to organise your fundraising activity.

Loving, ever-living and compassionate God,

You understand the pain of loss, the heartache of bereavement,

May we hold in our hearts all those whose families or friends have died.

You are a light that shines in the darkest times,

Guide us and heal us in our sickness and sorrow.

You comfort us in times of fear,

May we comfort each other, even as we keep apart.

You console and lead us in times of doubt and confusion,

May we follow the light of your love and spread hope.

You move our hearts to acts of generosity,

May we be led to share what we have with those in need.

God of life, We thank you for the signs of your light in the midst of our darkness,

May we be signs of your compassion in the heart of your world.

Amen.