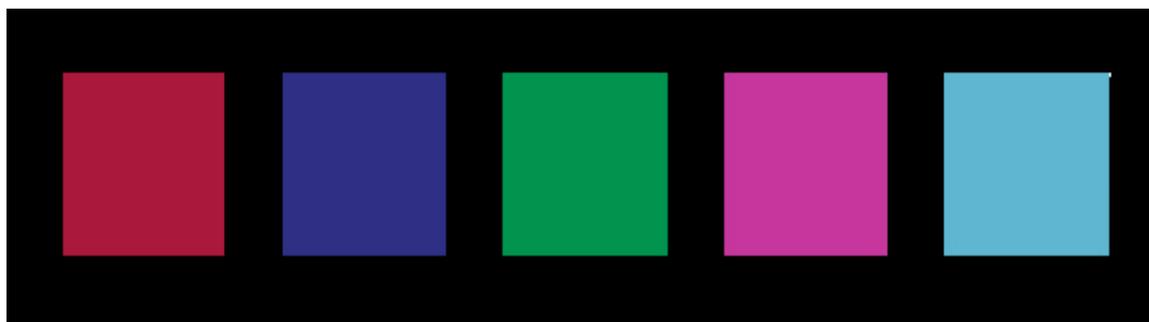




STEWARDSHIP

A stylized graphic of a hand holding a leaf, rendered in a vibrant, multi-colored gradient of purple, blue, green, and pink.

Luke 16: 1-13

He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a steward, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. And he called him and said to him, `What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.' And the steward said to himself, `What shall I do, since my master is taking the stewardship away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that people may receive me into their houses when I am put out of the stewardship.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, `How much do you owe my master?' He said, `A hundred measures of oil.' And he said to him, `Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' Then he said to another, `And how much do you owe?' He said, `A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill, and write eighty.' The master commended the dishonest steward for his shrewdness; for the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous mammon, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal habitations. " He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and he who is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."

This is the Gospel of the Lord



Prayer One

The Sign of the Cross

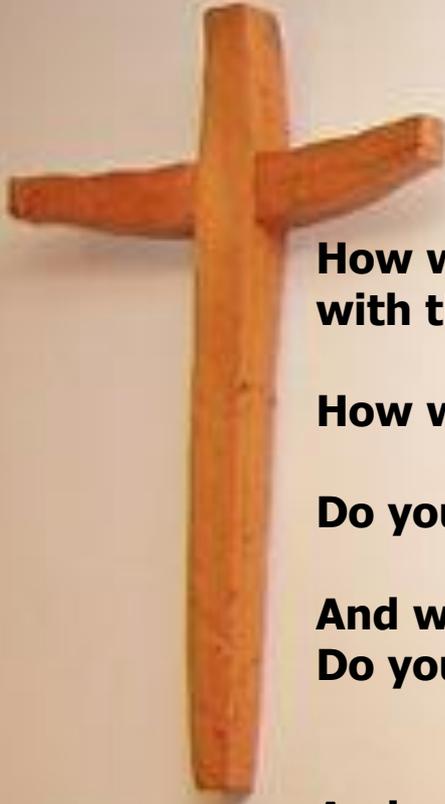
**Let us remember that everything we do is
In the name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

Reflection:

***Our theme this week is stewardship,
which is an unusual word.***

***Put simply, it invites us to think about
the things we are responsible for and
how well we look after those things***

Here are some questions to reflect on:



How well do you look after your friends and your relationships with them?

How well do you look after your family?

Do you play your part in helping out and keeping people happy?

And what about your work in school?

Do you give it your best?

And what about your faith and your prayer life?

Do you give it the time it deserves and make good decisions?

All of us are responsible for something, even if it's just for how we act and conduct ourselves.

We should constantly challenge ourselves to do it better



Final Prayer

LOVING FATHER...

**You created us in a beautiful world with lots of amazing possibilities. Help us to be good stewards of the things you give us to look after, and help us to make the right decisions in everything we have to do. In all things,
Lead us closer and closer to you.**

**IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.
AMEN**

Prayer Two

The Sign of the Cross

**Let us remember that everything we do is
In the name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

Reflection:

*Stewardship is an old fashioned work
which invites us to think about how
well we look after the things we are
meant to look after*



A silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer, with their hands raised and head tilted back, set against a warm, golden sunset sky. The person is positioned on the left side of the frame, looking towards the right.

Stewardship is about being responsible for the things entrusted to us. As we think about this, it might be worth taking a moment to think about the people entrusted to look after us. We often take these people for granted, but just think where we would be without them. Think where we would be without the love and care of others and without the sacrifices they have made for us. Think where we would be without our teachers and without the work they put in to our education? Where would we be without doctors and nurses to care for us when we are sick? Without paramedics, fire fighters and police officers to look after us in emergencies? Without leaders to make important decisions and keep society running?

If you stop and think about it, there are just so many people whose job it is, or has been, to steward your lives. take some time today to pray for them and to be grateful to them.

Final Prayer

LOVING FATHER...

Help us to appreciate all those who contribute something to our lives, whether something huge or something fairly small. Help us always to remember that as well as creating us, you created a world of people around us, and help us always to be grateful and kind to them.

**IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON,
AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.**





Prayer One

The Sign of the Cross

Let us remember that everything we do is in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen



Reflection:

Saturday was the INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

This links really well with our theme for the week.

What better way to serve the world than create peace?

Peace starts with individual action, and your actions will inspire others.



How will you make peace?

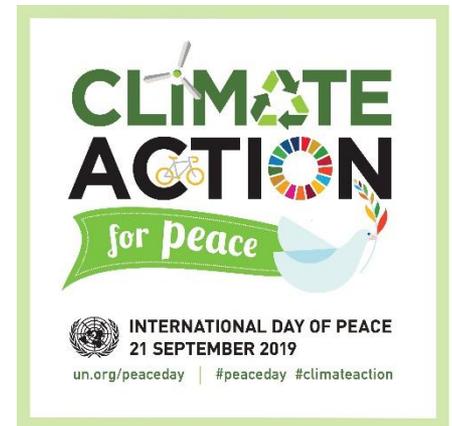
Could you make a "Pledge for Peace"

Now take a few moments to think about what you can do in your own life to create peace...what will your "Peace Pledge" be?

- *A smile to someone you don't normally speak to?*
- *A prayer for peace?*
- *An apology to someone?*
- *A thank you to someone?*
- *Holding a door open ?*
- *Posting about Peace day on social media?*
- *Joining our "One World" group?*

Maybe you could write down your pledge and bring it down to the Chapel to help create our wall of peace

A Break times this week feel free to come and read other peoples pledges for further inspiration





This years theme:

The logo for Climate Action for Peace. It features the words "CLIMATE ACTION" in large, bold letters. "CLIMATE" is green, with a fan icon over the 'I' and a recycling symbol over the 'A'. "ACTION" is black, with a bicycle icon over the 'I' and a colorful circular icon over the 'O'. Below this, a green banner with white text says "for peace", and a white dove with a colorful olive branch is to the right. At the bottom left is the UN logo, followed by the text "INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 21 SEPTEMBER 2019" and the social media links "un.org/peaceday | #peaceday #climateaction".

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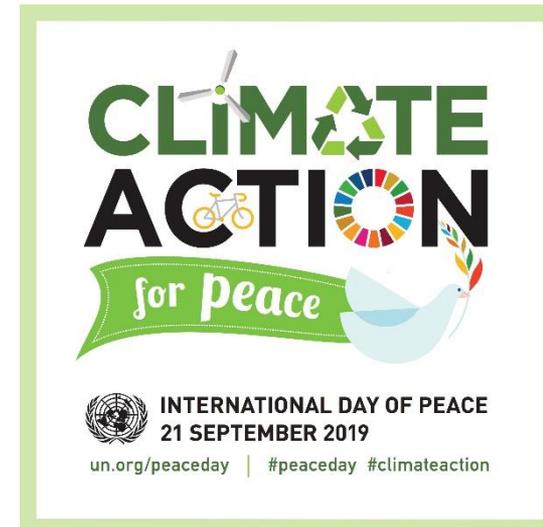


Final Prayer

Loving Father,

we are horrified at violence
in so many parts of the world.
It seems that none are safe, and some are terrified.
Hold back the hands that kill and maim;
turn around the hearts that hate.
Grant instead your strong Spirit of Peace -
peace that passes our understanding
but changes lives,

In the name of the Father and of the Son...



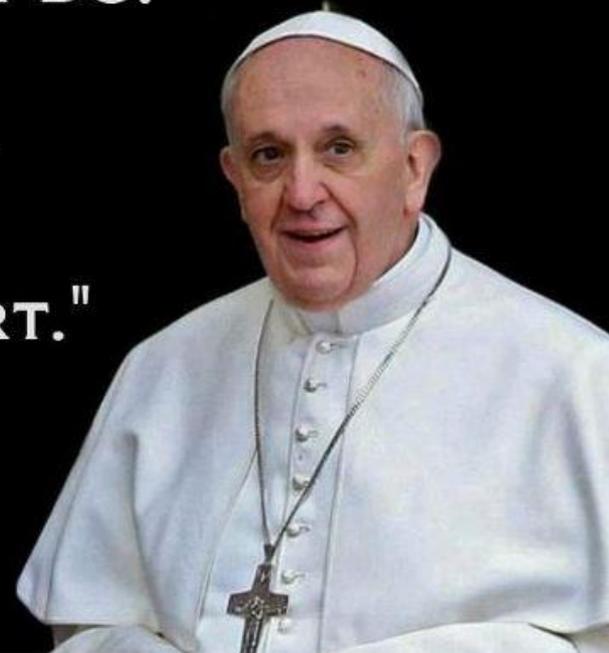
Final Thought...



"HELP ONE ANOTHER
THIS IS WHAT JESUS TEACHES US.
THIS IS WHAT I DO.

AND I DO IT
WITH MY HEART."

- POPE FRANCIS



Next weeks theme: Charity