



It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. This life that I live now, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave his life for me.



# WE PRAY WITH OUR HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS

## PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2023



We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



# Week Commencing: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## The Twenty Eighth Week of Ordinary Time- Year A

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**THEME FOR THE WEEK:**  
*'Everyone is welcome!'*

LINKED CST PRINCIPLE

LINKED BHCET VIRTUE

Compassion

WEEK 28 YEAR A-  
Matthew 22:1-14

*'Invite everyone you can to the wedding.'*

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:**

16TH OCT WORLD FOOD DAY  
17TH INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY,  
18TH ANTI SLAVERY DAY  
October is the Month of the Most Holy Rosary

**FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:**

16th St Margaret May, 17th, ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, 18th ST LUKE, 19th ST PAUL OF THE CROSS  
INSET DAY 20th OCTOBER 2023 - HALF TERM NEXT WEEK  
(Chaplaincy review of the first half term to take place this week)

# We Gather to Pray...



In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen

Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of death.  
Amen

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, On earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
Amen





# Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Feria



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### Sign of the Cross and Gather

As we begin a new week, we light our candle and welcome the Lord to spend this time with us...

We may play some **music** to create a prayerful atmosphere in the classroom. In the Gospel yesterday, Jesus tells a parable about a wedding feast where all those invited had better things to do than be invited; the family of the bridegroom then go out to the street corners and invite everyone, saints and sinners alike, to share in the celebration. It is an important message about hospitality- may our school always be a place of welcome to all.

### The Word

#### A reading from the Gospel of Matthew


The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

'The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**



#### We Go Forth

We pray the Family prayer of all Christians; Our Father... 

**Living the Word of God  
Be a person of welcome!**





# Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023

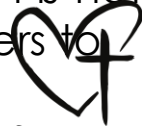
## St Ignatius of Antioch



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### Sign of the Cross and Gather

Today is the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty in the world. St Oscar Romero once said 'It is not God's will for some to have everything and others to have nothing.'



As Christians, we must put our faith into action. If we want a world of peace, we must ensure the dignity of each person is respected and we must share what we have with our global brothers and sisters. Today is also the feast of St Ignatius of Antioch. He lived in the first century but his words are still so important today- If we say we are Christian, we have to act like Jesus would!

### THE REFLECTION

*"It is right, therefore, that we not just be called Christians, but that we actually be Christians.*  
Ignatius of Antioch

### WE GO FORTH



Choose a prayer to end your Worship time today.

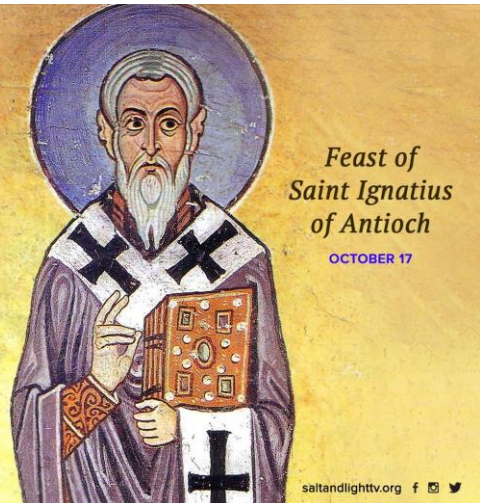
### Living the Word of God



Create a Mission based on today's reflection



INTERNATIONAL  
**DAY FOR**  
THE ERADICATION  
**OF POVERTY**  
— OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup> —





# Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023

St Luke



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## Sign of the Cross and Gather

Today, representatives from every school in our Trust will gather at St John's Bishop Auckland. They will welcome Bishop Stephen and share with him what makes each of our school communities places where Christ is alive in us! United as a family of schools, we pray for Bishop's Stephen's ministry in our Diocese. May he be guided by the Holy Spirit to be a gentle shepherd to us all.



## The Reflection

"May bishops be shepherds, close to the people; fathers and brothers, may they be gentle, patient and merciful; may they not have the mindset of 'princes'. May they be overseers of the flock that has been entrusted to them, to take care of everything that is needed to keep it united."



Pope Francis

**'The Kingdom of God is within you!'**



## We Go Forth

*Lord, rock of our hearts,  
from a sea swept island  
you sent Aidan and Cuthbert  
to sow your Word fruitfully  
throughout our Northern Land and  
you inspired Bede to understand and speak your truth  
reflected in our lives and in our history.  
Grant your servant, Stephen,  
whom you have called to follow them,  
a rich share in this heritage –  
to speak your Word courageously  
to teach wisely  
and to lead with love. Amen.*





# Thoughtful Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Feria



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### We Gather

As we open our prayer journals this morning, we play some **music**...

Yesterday was the feast of St Luke. We hear these words in his Gospel: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free." Luke's Gospel.

As we begin our half-term break, may the Spirit of the Lord be upon us as we recognise the dignity of all and work for peace in our world.

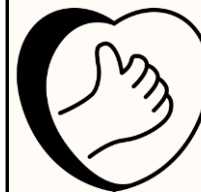


Our CST Principles this week are: Dignity and Peace  
How can we as a community promote peace and ensure everyone's Dignity is respected and valued?

PEACE  
and  
RESPECT



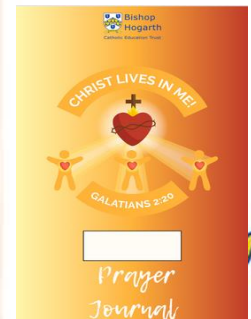
This week we are thankful for:



This week we are praying for:



**'The Kingdom of God is within you!'**





# Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Feria MAT INSET DAY



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