

# Daily Collective Worship

Half Term 4: February – March 2021

## CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC COLLEGE PRAYER

Today as we work together, we ask you:

**Be with us Lord.**

Today as we learn together, we ask you:

**Be with us Lord.**

Today as we pray together, we ask you:

**Be with us Lord.**

Today as we grow together, we ask you:

**Be with us Lord.**

Today as we live our mission, we ask you:

**Be with us Lord.**

## HAIL MARY

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 our death  
Amen.

<b>W/C</b> <b>22 FEBRUARY</b>	<b>LENT: THE 40 DAYS</b>	<b>“Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights”</b> <small>Luke 4:1-2a</small>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: The 40 Days because of the fact that Lent began on Wednesday last week.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> In the Gospel of Luke, we hear that, “...<b>Jesus was led...by the [Holy] Spirit...</b>” As we prepare for Lent to begin, let us be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and more aware to</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, we humbly ask you to give us the courage to pray in these upcoming Lenten days and to acknowledge you as our Saviour and Messiah. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Begin to consider what you can give up for Lent and look out for your online assemblies this week to find out how you can contribute to the college charity fundraising as well as finding out more about how to sign up to the Alpha course online with Anna. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: The 40 Days. This time last week, across the world was known as Shrove Tuesday or Mardi Gras which is a French phrase literally meaning ‘fat Tuesday’. It’s the day when Christians would use up all the luxurious foods like butter, oil and eggs ready for eating a simple diet of food during Lent. This is why pancakes are traditionally eaten on this day because it used up some of the luxury ingredients.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> We hear in the Gospel of Luke that Jesus “...<b>fasted forty days and forty nights</b>” which is why Christians have a season of fasting during Lent.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear God, help us get through the 40 days of fasting. Help us to fast like you did in the 40 days in the desert. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Tell your family where the tradition of eating pancakes came from if they don’t already know. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: The 40 Days. This time last week it was Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. A season of prayer, fasting and giving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> Though this Ash Wednesday has been a bit different for us all due to the Covid restrictions, traditionally in Ash Wednesday Services, we hear the words “<b>Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return</b>” as we receive the cross of ash on our forehead. The ash is made from the burnt palm branches from Palm Sunday last year. We remember that on Palm</p>	

	<p>Sunday Jesus was welcomed into Jerusalem, but soon the same people who welcomed Him turned against Him and plotted His death. The ash is a reminder of death, but at the same time we remember Jesus' victory over death.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> We pray for the priests who will help us on our Lenten journey. We pray especially for Fr David and Fr Pat and Fr Duane in our local parishes. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Ash Crosses on our foreheads are a sign of our faith and a remembrance that there is more to life after we die. How can you witness to your faith today? We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: The 40 Days.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> We read in the Gospel of Luke that Jesus spent 40 days and nights in <b>"the wilderness"</b>. While going to a desert for 40 days might not be a familiar experience to us, the feeling of being alone or isolated is one we can probably relate to, especially after the last 12 months. The great promise of Lent and Easter through Jesus' death and resurrection is that with Jesus, things will always get better, even when life seems tough.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear God, we pray that everyone in our school would feel safe during this season and not lonely. We pray for all staff and students in college, help us to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus well. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> If you know someone who is often on their own or who is maybe feeling lonely at this time, make an effort to contact them to let them know you're thinking of them. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: The 40 Days. As you heard in the assembly this week, part of our Lenten practice at Corpus Christi is to raise funds for those in need.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> We hear in the Gospel of Luke that Jesus <b>"...fasted forty days and forty nights"</b>. When we give up something for Lent, we do it not just prove we can and not to lose weight because we're eating healthier, we do it to be united with Jesus and to give the money we're saving by our fasting to those in need.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> We pray for everyone in school that they would put lots of effort into fundraising to help our school charities. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Make sure you ask parent to check out Scopay if they would like to contribute to the Good Shepherd Appeal (it's the same place your parents go to put money on your account for your school lunches). We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>

W/C 1 MARCH	LENT: ALMSGIVING	<b>“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind... God loves a cheerful giver.” 1 Corinthians 9:7</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: Almsgiving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> In the Gospel of Matthew that we heard on Ash Wednesday, Jesus said, “Your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.” (Matthew 6). This year because of Covid restrictions our Corpus Christi Lenten fundraising for the “Good Shepherd Appeal” appeal will take place online via Scopay. God our Father, will notice the efforts you’re making even if no one else knows about them.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, we pray for all that Catholic Care do to provide help to students in need in our school. May the money we raise go towards helping people who really need it. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Lent is a good opportunity for us to consider what material things we no longer need and to donate anything that is still in useable condition to a charity shop. As a school we support the shop at the St Vincent’s Centre on York Road, you might like to check out what their opening times are this week and take some of your old clothes or games there (making sure to consider the latest Covid restrictions). We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: Almsgiving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St Paul told the community in Corinth, <b>“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind...”</b>. At the beginning of Lent, did you decide an amount you were going to give to the “Good Shepherd Appeal”? Have you managed to give of your time or your money as you had made up your mind to? It’s not too late to fulfil or exceed that commitment you made.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, we pray especially for HCPT, the Hosanna House Children’s Pilgrimage Trust, who help children with disabilities go to Lourdes. May our fundraising give a young person this brilliant experience. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Maybe this week you discuss with your parent or carer something that you would like to sacrifice this week that they normally buy you when they go to the supermarket (for example, biscuits or chocolate or fizzy drinks) and ask them if they would contribute to the online fundraising at Scopay with the money they would normally spend on that item for you. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: Almsgiving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St Paul reminded the community in Corinth that <b>“God loves a cheerful giver.”</b> Are you cheerful when you give your money to charity remembering that it is going to a good cause, or do you begrudge giving up your spare change?</p>	

	<p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> We pray for all the staff and students at Issenye school in Tanzania. May they know God's blessing through our fundraising this Lent. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> At the school in Tanzania, they often eat the same simple meal each day. At Corpus Christi we have so much more to choose from. Today when you're preparing or eating your lunch, say a quick prayer in your mind thanking God for the variety we have. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: Almsgiving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St Paul reminded the community in Corinth that "<b>God loves a cheerful giver.</b>" Giving in Lent, isn't all about giving money. It's also about giving time and resources. How could you bring some joy to someone else today by being a cheerful?</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> We pray that during this season of Lent the St Vincent de Paul Society would receive lots of donations to help those who are less fortunate. As Simon helped Jesus carry His cross on the road to Calvary, may we always help those in need. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Today's challenge is simple. Smiles are contagious. Smile at your family members today, or people you might see passing your house, or those you pass if you take some exercise today. See how people find it easy to smile back when you make the first move to being friendly. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Lent: Almsgiving.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St Paul said to the community in Corinth, "<b>Each of you must give as you have made up your mind...</b>". Our friends and neighbours, the Franciscan Sisters have made up their mind to give up everything for God. Everything they now own, from their clothing, to their car, from their food to their house has been donated to them.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord, we pray that the Franciscan Sisters would be happy this Lent and know the gift of joy. May they bring that joy to those in need through the money we fundraise this Lent. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> God probably won't ask most of us give up everything so dramatically like the Sisters, but we can show our support to the Sisters by offering a small donation to the "Good Shepherd Appeal" via Scopay today or in the coming few weeks of the "Good Shepherd" fundraising. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>

<b>W/C</b> <b>8 MARCH</b>	<b>LENT: FORGIVENESS</b> <b>Parable of the Lost Son</b>		Luke 15:11-32
<b>INSTALLMENT</b> <b>1</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Forgiveness. Each day this week we will hear another part of the parable of the lost son, also known as the story of the prodigal son.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> <sup>11</sup>Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.</p> <p><sup>13</sup>“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. <sup>14</sup>After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup>He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.”</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord God, our Father, we pray for all the different situations in the world where there is a lack of forgiveness. We pray that through the example of Jesus, your Son, people would learn how to have a forgiving heart. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> If you would like to go to Confession this Lent, then check out what the website for your local Catholic Church says about how Confessions are taking place during these times of Covid restrictions. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>		
<b>INSTALLMENT</b> <b>2</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Forgiveness. We will now listen to the second part of the Prodigal Son parable.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> <sup>17</sup>“When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! <sup>18</sup>I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ <sup>20</sup>So he got up and went to his father.</p> <p>“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.”</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, we pray that we can forgive those who love us but who have hurt us. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p>		

	<p><b>WITNESS:</b> Is there someone you're finding it difficult to forgive? Take a moment to ask God to help you forgive. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<p><b>INSTALLMENT 3</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Forgiveness. We will now listen to the next instalment from the Prodigal Son parable.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> <sup>21</sup> "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate."</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord, we thank you that heaven rejoices when we ask for forgiveness. Give us the courage to say sorry to those we have hurt. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Is there someone you need to say sorry to? Make an effort today to get in touch with them to apologise. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<p><b>INSTALLMENT 4</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Forgiveness. We will now listen to the final instalment from the Prodigal Son parable.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> <sup>25</sup> "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. <sup>27</sup> 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'</p> <p><sup>28</sup> "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. <sup>29</sup> But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'</p> <p><sup>31</sup> "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear God, help those who find it hard to forgive others who have hurt them. Heavenly Father, teach us how to forgive our friends when we have fallen out with each other. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> There are so many countries in the world not at peace because of a lack of forgiveness and reconciliation. Say a prayer for the leaders of countries that are at war today. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>

<b>w/c</b> <b>15 MARCH</b>	<b>LENT: PRAYER &amp; FASTING</b>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>“Pray to your Father who sees in secret what you do.”</b>  <small>Matthew 6:6</small></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father.”</b>  <small>Matthew 6:16-18</small></p>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Prayer &amp; Fasting. How's your Lenten fast going so far? Are you doing well? Have you had to start again at any point?</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> Whether you're struggling to fast from certain foods, or your phone or social media, or whether you're managing to do it well. Jesus reminds us in Matthew's Gospel that <b>“...your Father”</b> in heaven knows your efforts.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, as we fast help us to keep in mind the people who do not have anything. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Today, if you need to start your Lenten fasting again. Don't worry about the times you've forgotten or given into temptation – just begin again today. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Prayer &amp; Fasting.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St Matthew's Gospel tells us that Jesus said, <b>“Pray to your Father who sees in secret what you do.”</b> When you pray in silence, God knows the secrets of your heart and hears your prayers in the silence.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord Jesus, bless all those who have ever been to visit you in our school chapel. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Take a moment to write a list of people you would like to remember in your prayers this week. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	



<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Prayer &amp; Fasting.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> Jesus tells us to “<b>Pray to your Father...</b>” The beautiful thing about being a Catholic is the gift of the Mass. Through the Mass, Jesus has shown us the most amazing way that we can connect to Him and to His (and our!) Father in Heaven.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear God, we pray for the people who go to Mass during Lent. I pray that they will get to know you better Lord. <b>Amen.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Has it been a while since you've been to Mass? Perhaps you could take some time to watch Mass online if you haven't been able to go to your local parish lately. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Prayer &amp; Fasting. Sometimes we think that everything we do or think needs to be posted on social media. One way or another, we seek the approval of others all the time.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> In Matthew's Gospel Jesus tells us to, “<b>Pray to your Father who sees in secret what you do.</b>”</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, we pray that during this Lent we would get closer to you and worship and praise your name. Help us not to worry what other people think, but to only know how wonderful you think we are. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> If you're someone who always posts on social media. Consider giving up social media for 24 hours. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is Prayer &amp; Fasting.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> In St Matthew's Gospel Jesus tells us, “<b>Your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father.</b>” This is an encouragement to not worry what other people think, but only to concern yourself with what God thinks of you.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord, as we fast and pray this Lent, we pray that we would always be grateful for all the things we have. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Today tell someone (a teacher, a parent, a carer, a brother, sister r neighbour) one thing you're grateful! We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>

<b>W/C</b> <b>22 MARCH</b>	<b>THE WAY OF</b> <b>THE CROSS</b>	<b>“They took Jesus and carrying the cross himself, he went out.”</b> John 19:16-28
<b>MONDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is The Way of the Cross. The Way of the Cross is when we remember and reflect on the final hours of the life of Jesus. As we approach nearer to Holy Week it's a good time for us to reflect on the Cross of Jesus and what it means for us today.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St John's Gospel tells us, <b>“They took Jesus and carrying the cross himself, he went out.”</b> Jesus carried the cross Himself most of the way to His death, but His Mother was with Him on the journey. Praying for Him and aching with sadness that this was happening to her Son. Yet, she still trusted in God's plan.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Jesus, your mother saw you suffering during the crucifixion. We pray for all mothers suffering around the world today. Amen. We ask Mary to pray for all mothers today as we pray the Hail Mary together, <b>“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 our death. Amen.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Maybe you live with your mum. Maybe you don't. Maybe you have a good relationship with your mum. Maybe you don't. But today we can be reassured that Mary, Our Mother in Heaven loves us and cares for us. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is The Way of the Cross.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St John's Gospel tells us, <b>“They took Jesus and carrying the cross himself, he went out.”</b> Jesus began by carrying the Cross Himself, but the sheer weight of it was too much. The physical burden of the Cross and the emotional burden knowing what awaited Him at the end of the journey was almost too much to bear. The soldiers pulled a man called Simon out of the crowd to help Jesus carry His Cross.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Lord, as Simon helped you carry Your Cross, help us to carry the crosses and burdens of those people who need help. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Today look out for someone you can help. Be brave, be generous and help them. Or maybe today you feel like you need help. Be brave, and ask a friend, teacher, parent or carer for help. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	

<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is The Way of the Cross.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St John's Gospel tells us, "<b>They took Jesus ...</b>". It must have been so scary for Jesus knowing what was lying ahead of Him in His journey to Calvary – the place where they killed Him. And yet, during that journey Jesus had us on His mind. He allowed them to take him, to crucify Him for our sake. So we could be free of sin and shame.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord Jesus, this Lent help us to remember You and all you have done for us. Help us to share your message of love with others. <b>Amen.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> We have done so well with our Lenten fundraising. There's only 2 more days left after today. It's not too late to contribute to our Corpus Christi online fundraising via Scopay. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is The Way of the Cross.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St John's Gospel speaks to us of Jesus "... <b>carrying the cross ....</b>" His Cross was a heavy, wood Cross. If people are going through a difficult time we might refer to it as "a cross" – meaning a heavy burden to carry. But today, there are people in the world who are carrying the heavy burden of not being free to practice their faith and sometimes they face punishment, torture or death simply for believing in Jesus.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Lord, help those who are persecuted for their faith. We pray that they would be strong in their faith and they would see your Holy Spirit at work in their difficult lives. Lord in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> If you know someone who is "carrying a cross" – who is burdened with sadness or illness, consider how you can help lighten their burden this week. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOME:</b> In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. This week our theme is The Way of the Cross.</p> <p><b>WORD:</b> St John's Gospel tells us, "<b>They took Jesus and carrying the cross himself, he went out.</b>"</p> <p><b>WORSHIP (student prayer):</b> Dear Jesus, we pray to you each day. We love you. Each classroom in our school has a Cross so we can remember what you have done for each of us. Thank you. <b>Amen.</b></p> <p><b>WITNESS:</b> Today as you see the Crosses placed round our college, simply say "Thank you Jesus" in your heart for the gift of His love. We conclude our prayer in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>

