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Dear Lord, Fill our lives with JOY Fill our lives with LOVE Fill our lives with **PEACE** We give thanks to you for the gift of life. Give us the courage to live life to the full. Amen























MONDAY MISSION 4th November Mark 12:28-34







This week's Gospel is very straightforward and Jesus himself tells us our mission!

- 1. Love God
- 2. Love your neighbour as you love yourself

How can you do this?

Yesterday was the feast of St Martin de Porres, one of our School Saints. St Martin lived out the Gospel values as he cared for hundreds of poor and the sick families. He is the Patron Saint of social justice.

Caring for others
Always being kind
Standing up for
injustice
Looking after our
world

Lord, help us to follow your commandments, just as St Martin did. Amen



ELLESMERE PORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL





TRADITIONAL TUESDAY 5th November



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

In November we pray particularly for those people who have died.











WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY 6th November





The Socratea Exorrhiza tree in Ecuador is also known as the 'Walking Tree'.

Its aerial roots act as 'legs' allowing it to move slowly in search of sunlight. It can actually move 2-3cm a day- up to 20 metres a year.



Lord, grant us the wisdom to care for our wonderful earth.

Help us to act now for the good of future generations and all your creatures.

Help us to become instruments of a new creation, founded on the covenant of your love.

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Amen









THANKFUL THURSDAY 7th November





Let us spend a moment to think of all those people all over the world, who care and look after people on a daily basis, just like St Martin did.

Lord, we thank You.

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'I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10





Francis Friday 8th November



Pope urges hairdressers to contribute to common good in "Christian style"

Pope Francis said that the "humble and great figure of Saint Martin de Porres", whom Pope Paul VI proclaimed patron of their category in 1966, helps them to "bear constant witness to Christian values." "He encourages you, above all," he said, "to practice your profession in a Christian style, treating customers with kindness and courtesy, and always offering them a good word and encouragement, avoiding giving in to the temptation of gossip that easily creeps into your work environment, that we all know about."





May God grant me your humility, Martin, so that I always do His will.

Dearest Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit, guide me as I face the challenges
of life.

Give me Martin's sense of service so that I may be a blessing to all whom I meet. Amen.







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Additional Resources







Gospel Mark 12:28-34



The Great Commandment

28 A teacher of the Law was there who heard the discussion. He saw that Jesus had given the Sadducees a good answer, so he came to him with a question: "Which commandment is the most important of all?"

29 Jesus replied, "The most important one is this: 'Listen, Israel! The Lord our God is the only Lord.[a] 30 Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' 31 The second most important commandment is this: 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself.' There is no other commandment more important than these two."

32 The teacher of the Law said to Jesus, "Well done, Teacher! It is true, as you say, that only the Lord is God and that there is no other god but he. 33 And you must love God with all your heart and with all your mind and with all your strength; and you must love your neighbour as you love yourself. It is more important to obey these two commandments than to offer on the altar animals and other sacrifices to God."



