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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

















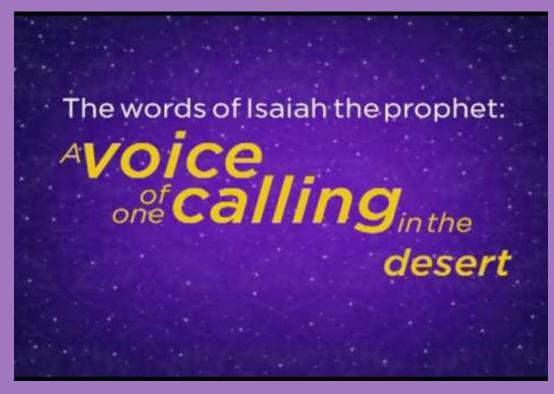






MONDAY MISSION 9th December- Prepare the Way Luke 3:1-6





John the Baptist came to preach forgiveness and call people to repent of their sins. He came to prepare the way for Jesus. In Christ, there is forgiveness for all of our wrongs.



Advent is should be a quiet time where we reflect on our lives. Try to be quiet for a few minutes and listen to the songthink about what you are proud of in your life and what you

would like to do better at.



Make peace with someone you might have fallen out with

Lord, Prince of Peace.
Help me to remember that God loves me.
Amen





ELLESMERE PORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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





TRADITIONAL TUESDAY 10th December





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.

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Sunday 8th was the Feast of the **Immaculate Conception**.

This is how Mary identified herself when she appeared to Bernadette in Lourdes for the 16th time.

It is a complicated term, but it means that Mary was free from sin from the moment she was conceived











WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY 11th December





I was lucky enough to be in Lourdes this summer and be part of the wonderful Torchlight procession. Thousands of people walk from the Grotto in Lourdes to the Basilica as Mary requested. This happens every evening and people take part from every continent in the world. The prayers are said in many different languages.

Let us reflect on this and pray for peace in our world.

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Lord, help us to make peace in our homes and our school and with everyone who we meet.

Amen

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THANKFUL THURSDAY 12th December





Lord, as we reflect on our Advent candle this morning, let us think of the things and the people that we are thankful for.

Help us to always appreciate the good things we have in our lives.

We ask this through Christ our Lord Amen





Spend a few moments thinking of the things in your life that you are grateful for.





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Francis Friday 13th December





Pope Francis explains the Immaculate Conception

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Additional Resources







Gospel Luke 3:1-6



The Proclamation of John the Baptist

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, das it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."





