

# PRAYING *With* CHILDREN

## SUNDAY LITURGY



32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

6 November 2022 - Year C

***"May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say."***

### Something to Think About

How do you show your love for your family and friends?

### The Story

Today's reading is from a letter written by St Paul to people living in a place called Thessalonica. St Paul wanted to remind the people of God's love and kindness for them. He urged them to trust that God would protect them and help them to be loving and patient. He also assured the people that God would help them to do and say the right things.

### The Scriptures

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians**

**2:16 – 3:5**

Brothers and sisters:  
God our Father loves us.  
He is kind and has given us eternal comfort and a wonderful hope.  
We pray that our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father  
will encourage you and will help you  
always to do and say the right thing.

Finally, our friends, please pray for us.  
This will help the message about the Lord to spread quickly,  
and others will respect it, just as you do.  
Pray that we may be kept safe from worthless and evil people.  
After all, not everyone has faith.

But the Lord can be trusted to make you strong  
and to protect you from harm.  
He has made us sure that you are obeying what we taught you  
and that you will keep on obeying.  
I pray that the Lord will guide you to be as loving as God  
and as patient as Christ.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Video**

**[Jesus Loves Everyone](#)**



## Group Discussion

God loves us and looks after us in many ways. God works with and through people. Who are the people who love you and keep you safe? How do they show their love?

## Praying For Others

**Leader:** Let us pray now for the leaders of our Church, our world, for those in our community and for our own needs.

**Reader 1:** We pray for generous leaders who consider the needs of all people. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** We pray that God will help us to say and do the right thing. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 3:** We pray that we will be patient and understanding with others. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 4:** We pray that our faith in God will grow strong. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 5:** We pray that we will live our lives with joy and energy. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Invite the children to pray for their own special intentions.*

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

**Leader:** Loving God, listen to the prayers we make in the name of Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

## Prayer



Dear Jesus,  
Thank you for loving us and keeping us safe. Teach us to do and say the right things as we strive to be patient and loving to others.  
Amen.

## Group Activity

### A Gift For Someone You Love - Spring Suncatchers

*You will need: two pieces of sticky contact paper in the same size and shape, a frame/border for the contact paper cut from a sheet of card, objects from a nature walk (flowers and leaves).*

- 1) Go on a nature walk and collect flowers and leaves for your suncatcher.
- 2) Peel the paper backing off one of the pieces of sticky contact paper, then apply the border and stick down.
- 3) Stick flowers and leaves onto the sticky contact paper, inside the border.
- 4) Apply the other piece of contact over the top, sticky side down, to seal everything in.
- 5) Affix your suncatcher to a bright window.



# WONDERFUL WORDS

## FROM ST PAUL

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE

WONDERFUL

LOVE

KIND

COMFORT

HOPE

RIGHT

PRAY

RESPECT

SAFE

FAITH

TRUST

PROTECT

GUIDE

PATIENT

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