




## Prayer and Witness Challenge - Term 2 Week 1



Dear Parents

Here is a **daily challenge chart** that you might like to use with your children...

It will help with your family prayer and provide some activities that the children might like to complete.

Look after each other and remember, prayer is a wonderful way to connect with each other.

Day	Pray	Read	Listen/Watch	Do
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>15 April</b>	<p>Say this prayer over the phone with a grandparent or neighbour (or anyone else outside your bubble).</p> <p>God made you and God made me,            He made the world for us to see.            God loves you and long ago,            He sent his Son to tell us so.</p> <p>Jesus showed us many things,            To love and share and dance and sing.            To learn and pray, to help and care,            He promised he'd always be there.</p> <p>He died but then came back to life,            Let's celebrate for he's alive!</p> <p>Amen.</p>	<p>The week following Easter Sunday is known in the Church as the Easter Octave- 8 days (including the two Sundays) of celebrating. What do we celebrate? We celebrate that after Jesus died and was placed in the tomb <b>that he rose from the dead.</b></p> 	<p><a href="#">Watch this video</a> reading of today's gospel using popsicle stick puppets.</p>  <p>Or this one! It rhymes!</p> <p>You might like to watch this account of the <a href="#">Emmaus Story!</a></p>	<p>Make your own version of the Emmaus story. You could do a comic strip, a role play, a slide show, a Prezi, use lego and stop motion animator. It's up to you.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Make a poster of the Easter Prayer for Children.</p> 
<b>Thursday</b> <b>16 April</b>	<p>Ask an adult to pray this prayer with you:</p> <p>O Lord,</p> <p>How amazing is your love,            A love that overcomes, endures and redeems.</p>	<p>Here is the Gospel reading for the Thursday within the Octave of Easter. It is <a href="#">Luke 24:35-38</a></p>		<p>After you have read <a href="#">the Gospel reading</a> you might like to choose to do one of the following:</p> <p>Create finger puppets (<a href="#">here is a link to an easy how to guide</a>) of the people in this Gospel story. Retell the story in your own words using the puppets. Once you are really happy with it take</p>

	<p>How astounding is your life, A life that sustains, heals and creates. How awesome is your hope, A hope that promises, restores and inspires. How absorbing is your truth, A truth that releases, changes and rebuilds.</p> <p>How we worship you, as we remember the moment when your love conquered. When out of the cave of sorrow Jesus arose to release forgiveness to the world. And each time we encounter this resurrection day we are again lifted to an eternal place. Our sin, brokenness and darkness fall away and your light and peace flood our lives. How we thank you for this incredible celebration we call Easter.</p> <p>Amen.</p>			<p>a video and share it with a classmate. Ask them to share something they have created with you.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Using things around your house, like soft toys, Lego, recreate the story of Jesus from the time he was taken down from the Cross, to when he appeared to the disciple in today's Gospel story. Video it and share. <a href="#">This might help you</a></p> 
<p><b>Friday 17 April</b></p>	<p>Use this prayer before your family meal today: Lord,</p> <p>As we gather together as family and friends we invite you once again into our lives. May the hope of your resurrection colour our days. May the promise of your spirit working in us light up our lives. May the love you revealed to us shape our giving. May the truth in your word guide our journeys, And may the joy of your kingdom fill our homes.</p> <p>As we gather together underneath the banner of your life, We thank you for all the wonderful food that we can now enjoy, And celebrate your glorious resurrection.</p>	<p>Here is the Gospel reading for the Thursday within the Octave of Easter. It is <a href="#">John 21:1-14</a></p>	<p>Watch this <a href="#">Breakfast on the beach</a></p>	<p>Can you remember the verse you were asked to remember in the first video clip.</p> <p>You might have to go back and watch again!</p> <p>Make a poster of the verse and place it in the window of your house so people can read it.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Remember, when you serve others you are being like Jesus today....make a list of all the things you can do to help around the house.</p>

	Thank you Lord.  Amen.			
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Wednesday 15-17 April (for older students)	Pray the prayers above	<p>Here is the Gospel reading for the Wednesday within the Octave of Easter. It is <a href="#">Luke 24:13-35</a></p> <p>Here is the Gospel reading for the Thursday within the Octave of Easter. It is <a href="#">Luke 24:35-38</a></p> <p>Here is the Gospel reading for the Friday within the Octave of Easter. It is <a href="#">John 21:1-14</a></p>	<p>On the Diocesan Facebook page watch <a href="#">Bishop Paul's Message to Young people</a></p> <p>Bishop Paul asks you to <b>BE KIND</b>, because each of us is made in the image of Christ. It is part of our baptismal call!</p> <p>He asks you to <b>SLOW DOWN</b>, to pick up the Bible and read it.</p> <p>Bishop Paul suggests that you attend <a href="#">Mass online</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Retreat online</a> - if you cannot do all of the retreat suggestions pick one! Reading <a href="#">the Gospel of Mark</a> is a good one</p> <p>You might like to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do something kind for your carers at home</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a 10 sec video clip and send it to your teacher thanking them for their kindness.</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read the Gospel readings for this week (see the links in the read column!!)</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the comments section of Bishop Paul's video clip to young people, leave a really positive, kind comment.</li> </ul>

