## Prayer and Witness Challenge - Term 2 Week 2

## 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
Mon 20th April	God the Creator is holy and the source of all life, grace and holiness. People are created in the image and likeness of God and we can share in God's wonderful creation.  Now is a great time to let the land/papatūānuku rest. What are some of your family's favourite creations in the world? - share them as you pray a litany this morning - Our Family Litany of Praise of Creation	Read God you are an artist	Watch this magnificent video clip of images from National Geographic Creation Calls - Are you listening?	Celebrate the gift of your senses! (What can you see, smell, taste, hear, touch in creation.) Using your fingers like a frame, go outside or look out your window. Look at all the wonderful things in God's creation. Draw or sketch on a 'Film Strip' your favorite parts of creation.  (Thank you Wells family for the pictures.)
Tues 21st April	The word church is orben thought of as the building. St peter was the leader of the first christians. he described the church as being built of 'Living stones'.  Let's pray for each other today  How bo you PLAY a SPECIAL PART IN THE CHURCH?  In 3 Carrier and the Church is described at the Church as being built of 'Living stones'.  Let's pray for each other today  Hand Prayer	Human dignity is a foundational Catholic social teaching in our faith Read this wonderful whakatauki that also reinforces all of our worth!!	Either listen to We're building God's Kingdom  Or sing along to this song We are the church	What occupation/job would you like when you are older? Write a story about it and give 3 reasons you might like that job.  OR write a letter/email to an 'essential worker' to say thank you!'



Wed 22nd April	Following the instructions of our whanau/family is important at this time. When we listen to the people that are taking care of us it often helps create a safe and happy place for us to live. It's great to practice following instructions so today we are going to follow steps to make playdough for our thankfulness prayer.  After you have made your dough you might want to listen to this song 'The Greatest Commandment' (we are reminded to love God, others and ourselves!) As you create your symbol. (See 'do' activity for prayer guidelines.)	Read: Basic Play Dough Ingredients  (OR google your own recipe or call an adult that might have a playdough recipe to share.)	Watch this clip for tips of making playdough for your thankfulness prayer How to make play dough (basic recipe)	Play dough thankfulness prayer  Thank you Smithson family for the pictures  Can you send a picture of your creation to someone?.
Thurs 23rd April	We are very blessed to live in Aotearoa New Zealand.  At the moment we can't really fly to different countries.  Planes can't really reach these places but our prayers can!  Have a discussion about different countries that might need our prayers at the moment.  Today's 'DO' example is a prayer plane activity.	Let's read this Saint's prayer that encourages us to be hope/Jesus in the world.	Watch this clip about Our World - is there something new you have learnt that you can share with someone else? You might want to do more investigating about countries!	Here are some instructions from another child or you might want to experiment with your own technique. As a family, have a piece of paper each and write who your prayer is for (it might be for a particular country in the world - then create a paper plane! Launch your prayer across the room together (see who can go the farthest) Then read out some else's prayer.
Friday 24th April	Tomorrow is Anzac Day when we remember the sacrifices others have made for us in times of war. Many of us have family members who have served their country in the Army, Navy or Air Force and some of us may have family who died while serving their country. Our society treats these people as heroes. In the Church, our heroes are the saints.	Select one of these four prayers (in the DO column) to pray with your family today.	Watch this What is ANZAC Day?	Option 1- Remake the prayer you choose either in the form of an artwork, or a slideshow or any other way you like to.  Option 2- As a family, try to find a person who you know who has served their country in one of the armed services. Record 5 key facts about this person and share these with someone else from your class.  Option 3 - write a letter to your favourite saint. Ask them three questions you'd like to know the answer to.

				Option 4- Make a wreath for Anzac Day and place it in a window of your house. Use whatever materials you can find in your house.  What is a wreath?  Egg carton wreath  3d Christmas wreath
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## For older students and parents

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Mon 20th April	Jenebrae		Watch Catholic Cathedral College's presentation of the A Tenebrae Liturgy	Write a short reflection on the Tenebrae Liturgy you have just watched, or create an Instagram post! Share with someone: These questions might help you. What interested you the most? What did you discover you already knew? What would you like to remember? What would you like to find out more about?
Tues 21st April	E te Atua, God of nations, We pray for the leaders and politicians around the world.  May You guide them in the decisions they make, to always remember their people, Your people, that they may put first the common good.  During the current Covid crisis.  Open their eyes, so they may see the real needs of their people, that they will value love over power, that the rights of the people will not be denied and that peace will be a reality soon.  We pray for influential voices, that they will continue to call for peace and calm and kindness to all  E te Atua o te rangi me te whenua, God of heaven and earth, may Your will be done in all the world. Amen.  [adapted from Caritas 2020 Lenten Prayer resource]	Read John 3:7-15		Write an encouraging post (no more than 20 words!) to our Prime Minister, Jacinda Adern or our Director General of Health Dr Ashley Bloomfield.  Share it via the Covid 19 Facebook page.  Covid19.govt.nz  Everything you need to know in one place  Unite against COVID-19
Wed 22nd April	Prayer for Solidarity Te Īnoi mō te Kotahitanga Almighty and ever-living God,	Read John 3: 16-21	Don't let anyone rob you of hope.	Using this quote from Pope Francis and ideas from the prayer create  a simple car bumper sticker a short imovie



	E Te Ariki, e te Atua ora tonu, empower your one human family to join hands on our journey of faith. Send us your spirit of hope, so that we may work to alleviate human suffering and foster charity and justice in our world. Amen. [from Caritas 2020 Lenten Prayer resource]			a written reflection to share with your RE teacher.
Thurs 23rd April	Working Together Te Mahi Tahi  E Hēhu Karaiti, During your life on earth you drew people together, to live together, to work together, to pray together. You understood that people are happier when they know and experience the love of others. Teach us always to include everyone in our work, in our games, in our joyful times, and in our sad times. Pope Francis said, the only future worth building includes everyone. May we play a part in building stronger and happier communities. Amen [from Caritas 2020 Lenten Prayer resource]	Read John 3: 31-36		Pope Francis said, the only future worth building includes everyone. May we play a part in building stronger and happier communities.  Think of one practical thing you will do when you physically return to school to make your school or your RE classroom a stronger and happier place.  Produce a poster or a meme to remind yourself of this one practical thing. If you feel comfortable doing so, share this with your RE teacher.
Friday 24th April	Prayer of Solidarity Te Īnoi mō te Toipoto  God of all peoples, Te Atua o ngā iwi katoa, Give me the courage to move beyond hopes and dreams to work with others to make justice a reality for all peoples.  Give me an open heart and listening ears to understand the challenges which face those who are marginalised, lacking the basic necessities for a dignified life.  Help me to work with others to make a new reality, so that those who suffer injustice are heard and feel the impact of our solidarity as they confront challenges in their communities.  May I respond generously to your call so that all may	Select one of these four prayers (in the DO column) to pray with your family today.	Watch this What is ANZAC Day?	Option 1- Remake the prayer you choose either in the form of an artwork, or a slideshow or any other way you like to.  Option 2- As a family, try to find a person who you know who has served their country in one of the armed services. Record 5 key facts about this person and share these with someone else from your class.  Option 3 - write a letter to your favourite saint. Ask them three questions you'd like to know the answer to.  Option 4- Make a wreath for Anzac Day and place it in a window of your house. Use whatever materials you can find in your house.  What is a wreath?  Egg carton wreath 3d Christmas wreath

have life and have it to the full.  God of all peoples, we ask this in the name of your Son,  Jesus. Amen.  [from Caritas 2020 Lenten Prayer resource]	
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