

A Weekly Gift to you and your family from your Catholic School

**THE** Wednesday  
**WORD**



## SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday is the last in the Church's year. It is the day on which we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. This feast presents a golden opportunity for us to make a new start with Jesus – the Universal King. It is a celebration to which all are warmly invited.

The Gospel reminds us that Jesus' kingship is not one of political power, crowns and splendour, but one of peace and truth. He is not an earthly king – his kingdom is heaven.

To see this week's Parish Version of The Wednesday Word: [wednesdayword.org](http://wednesdayword.org) – Parents' Pages – Lectio Divina with Fr Henry.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Jesus stands up for God's true values of love and forgiveness and leads us into the truth. He also reveals to us the truth about ourselves.

Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **LEADER**.

*Dom Henry Wansbrough*



### THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021



At Jesus' trial, Pilate called Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?" Jesus replied, "Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my followers would have fought to prevent my being handed over. But my kingdom is not of this kind." "So you are a king then?" said Pilate. "It is you who say it," answered Jesus. "Yes, I am a king. I was born for this; I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice."

*Adapted from John 18:33-37  
Christ the King, Year B*

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church – all are warmly invited.

"Jesus leads us on our journey towards eternal life."

*Pope Francis*



**Jesus' leadership really does help family relationships to thrive.**

Jesus' truth has stood the test of time and leads us into the joys of everlasting life. Choosing to be formed and led by Jesus provides a secure foundation for our lives.



# 1 Our Special Time Together

Enjoy reading the Gospel overleaf (or below for younger children)



At Jesus' trial, Pilate asked Jesus: "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." "So you really are a king then?" said Pilate. "Yes," said Jesus. "I was born for this. I came into the world to speak up for the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice."

**What did Jesus say he was?** Which word or words stood out for you in the Gospel, and why? See the Sunday Gospel picture opposite. What does it make you think about?

# 2 Wednesday's Word is ...

## LEADER



# 3 Loving God & Each Other

"When Jesus dwells in us as our friend and leader, we can bear all things."

*St Teresa of Avila*

"Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others."

*Pope Francis*

Ask your child which people they know to be good leaders - in the family, at school or in the community. What is it that makes those people good leaders? It may help your child if you can talk about the qualities which make a person a good leader (e.g. trustworthy, inspiring, supportive, a good role model - someone who is wise, truthful and uses their authority to help others).



Jesus leads us in the ways of truth and love. True leaders always help people to follow good and right ways. Each of you name a special leader that you are grateful for (perhaps a family member, a teacher, a priest, Jesus). Think of a way in which you can help that leader (e.g. by praying for them or by listening to what they have to say and trying to follow their leadership). Choose one way in which you will try to be a leader in this coming week, setting a good example for others - showing them good and right things.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for **leading** us in the way of truth - to help God's kingdom of love to grow in our hearts, in our homes and in our schools. Amen.

## Gospel Gallery

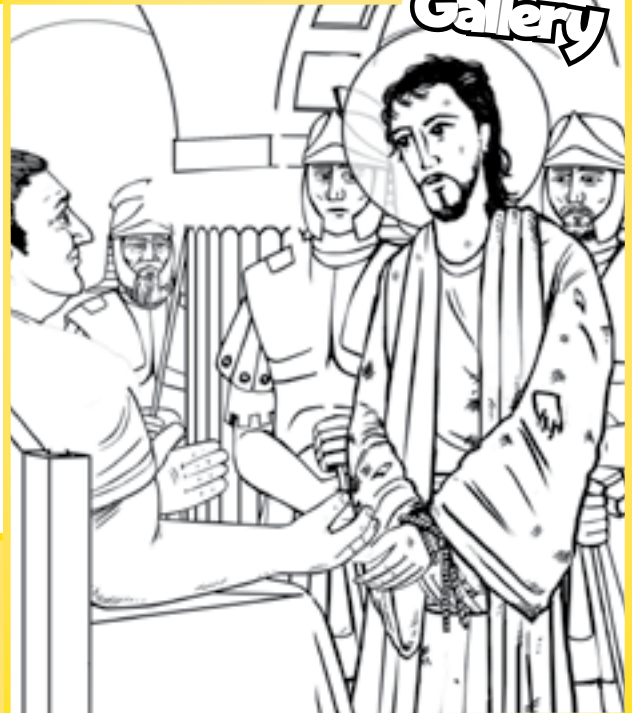
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## WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER **ACROSS** OR **DOWN**

- PILATE ASKED
- JESUS KING
- SPEAK TRUTH
- LISTEN VOICE

SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS **BACKWARDS** OR **DIAGONALLY**



Cross out the letters **d m c** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

**bomdrnc ckidmng Pidlamtec Jedsumcs**

"So you really are a \_\_\_\_\_ then?" said \_\_\_\_\_.

"Yes," said \_\_\_\_\_. "I was \_\_\_\_\_ for this."

Search for at least three differences between this picture and the colour one. Then draw them in before colouring.

Pope Francis is the current leader of the Catholic Church.

He is the 266<sup>th</sup> Pope in the history of the Catholic Church.

For a fun, five minute video about Pope Francis, please visit the children's area at [wednesdayword.org](http://wednesdayword.org) or click [here](#).

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Smiley

This week I will try my best to...

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