

Signs and Symbols for Reflection

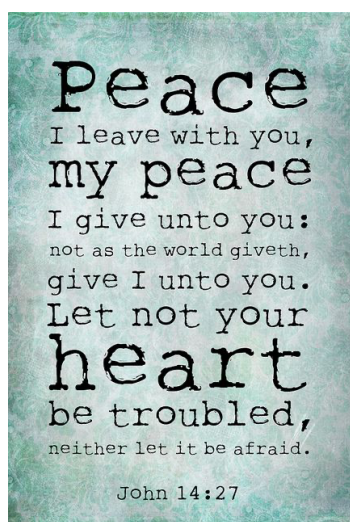
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In class, we have been looking at Signs and Symbols as part of our RE Topic. Signs and symbols are everywhere we look.

Some signs are instructional - they tell us what to do - whereas symbols can often be a token of something.

Whether they are signs or symbols, we recognise how important they are in our lives.

We look to one another for love, comfort, hope and peace. We rejoice in all of these things as they are gifts from God.



We seek peace in our troubled world and look to share the peace of Christ with one another. We offer each other the sign of peace, we support one another when they need help and we reach out to those in need.

We do this a part of God's loving family.

We are welcomed, through our Baptism, to share in the fullness of God's Kingdom. We give thanks for the symbols of Baptism, such as holy water and the oil of chrism. They cleanse and bless us. We give thanks to our parents and Godparents who will help us to know and love God.



Let's renew some of our Baptismal promises together:

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

Yes, Lord, we believe

Do you believe in Jesus Christ his only son?

Yes, Lord, we believe

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Yes, Lord, we believe

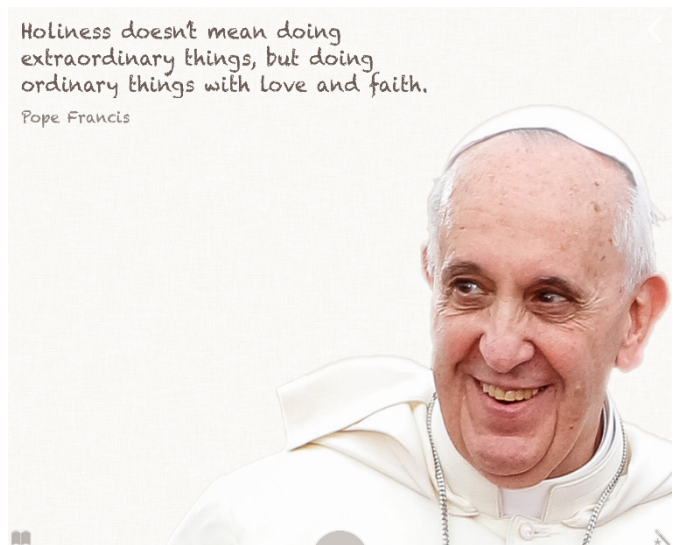
Let us pray together . . .

God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and has forgiven our sins. May he keep us faithful to our Lord forever and ever. Amen.



Let us all remember that, through Baptism, we are called to love one another. It is the symbols and daily actions that can show others our love for them, no matter how big or small.

Let us follow the example of Pope Francis when he tells us



Take time this week to think about the signs and symbols which are important to you - a hug, a smile or a wave! These things mean so much especially at the moment.

Draw a picture of something or someone special - for example, someone giving you a hug or someone smiling - and explain why this is important to you.



Light a candle and say a prayer of thanks for all that is special in your life. Ask God to help you cherish the people close to you and pray for those in our community to need our prayers of support.

Always remember be a sign of goodness for others.



Amen