



Lent - Day 23 'your kingdom come'
Monday 27th March 2017

Luke 11:2-4

He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us, And do not bring us to the time of trial."

The coming of God's kingdom was a constant theme of Jesus' teaching and he encourages us to pray that for it to come..

Follow this link for the Bible passage

Reflection

 Pray that God's kingdom will come into the hearts and lives of those you know.

- How will you support your church's plans to join in with the global prayer initiative, Thy Klngdom Come, between Ascension and Pentecost (25th May - 4th June)
- Have you pledged2pray that the people you know might know Christ? To do so, visit: <u>Thy Kingdom Come.</u>
- Make a comment and share your thoughts with others

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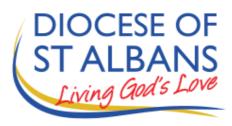








Live the Challenge





Lent - Day 24 'dressed for action' Tuesday 28th March 2017

Luke 12: 35 - 36

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks."

Jesus calls on his disciples to be ready, ready to open the door to him whenever he knocks, so that we can serve him in whatever way he asks.

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Reflection

- How ready are you for action as a disciple of Jesus?
- How willing are you to serve him in whatever way he asks?

Respond & Comment

 Pray that God will help you to be ready for action and willing to serve Christ in the world. • Make a comment and share your thoughts with others

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Lent - Day 25 'the kingdom of God' Wednesday 29th March 2017

Luke 13: 18 - 19

He said, therefore, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what should I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden; it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches."

The kingdom of God is like a tree that starts from a tiny seed and grows big. In fact it grows so big that birds nest in its branches.

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Reflection

- Reflect on the small things that you can do to sow the seeds of God's kingdom in the lives of others.
- Pray that the small things you have already done for other people will grow in their hearts and lives.

- What small thing(s) will you do today to plant the seed of God's kingdom love in someone's life?
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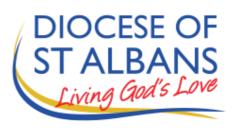














Lent - Day 26 'so that my house may be filled'

Thursday 30th March 2017

Luke 14: 23

Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled.'

This verse is part of a parable Jesus told to illustrate God's desire to see people respond to God's invitation and our role in communicating it. God is amazingly gracious and will welcome all who respond to his love. Our role as disciples and the role of the church is to let people know about God's invitation within our community, family, workplace and places of leisure.

Follow this link for the Bible passage

Reflection

• Ask God to help you share his invitation to respond to his love.

Respond & Comment

- What simple things will you begin to do that will help others to know about God's love for them?
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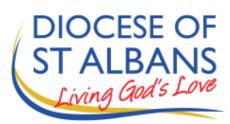














Lent - Day 27 'rejoice with me' Friday 31st March 2017

Luke 15:8-10

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

This is the middle of three 'Parable of the Lost' in Luke's gospel. Each speaks of God's sheer joy at finding a lost sinner. God does not wait inactively for people to come to him, he tirelessly seeks them out.

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Reflection

• Give thanks to God that he sought you out.

- Thank God too for seeking those you know who haven't yet responded to his love.
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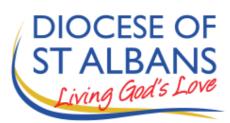














Lent - Day 28 'pray always' Saturday 1st April 2017

Luke 18:1-3

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.'"

Disciples of Jesus are to be persistent in prayer. We cannot weary God with our prayers, so we are encouraged not to lose heart. Where prayer is concerned, we keep on keeping on.

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Reflection

• What people or situations do you carry in your heart? - bring them to God in prayer.

- What situation or person will you commit to pray for each day between now and Easter?
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