THE Wednesday WORD

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Wednesday 11th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read about how Jesus brought healing and light into the life of the man who was born blind. The man could then see the world around him, but the most important thing he saw was who Jesus really was – the Son of God.

Difficulties, worries and sickness can sometimes be part of our lives. Yet, when we believe in Jesus and we pray and look carefully, we can often learn something about the world and ourselves, and about how Jesus is always there for us. Jesus is the light of the world. Believing in him brings light to our lives; it changes how we see the world and it can bring healing to us too. Come and see!

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



Dom Henry Wansbrough

A Word from the Saints

"Prayer is certainly the most wonderful medicine in the world."
St Hyacinth



THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH
Sunday 15th March 2026



As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. Jesus spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, "Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam" (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "Yes, it is the same one." Others said, "No, he only looks like him." The man himself said, "I am the man." Some of the Pharisees did not believe that Jesus had healed him and they drove him away. Jesus heard about this and when he found the man he said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Sir," the man replied, "tell me who he is so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You are looking at him; he is speaking to you." The man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshipped Jesus.

Adapted from John 9:1-38
The 4th Sunday of Lent, Year A

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

Family Time Prayer & Share Overleaf

Good News for Everyone

God still heals today, through the sacraments of the Church (which remind us of God's love and care for us) and through people: doctors, nurses and, if we let him, through us too. Following Jesus' teachings and loving others brings healing and adds something very special to our lives.

SPREAD THE WORD and bring **GOOD NEWS** to your friends by sharing ***THE WEDNESDAY WORD***

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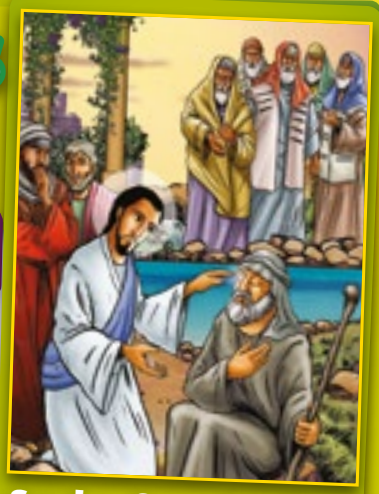
Good News for Families TOGETHER TIME

1 READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Jesus saw a man who had been blind from birth. He wet his fingers, made a muddy paste with the dust on the ground, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, "Go and wash off the paste in the Pool of Siloam." When the man came back he was able to see. Some of the teachers of the Law did not believe the man and what the man said about Jesus healing him, and they drove him away. When Jesus found the man he said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Sir," the man replied, "tell me who he is so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You are looking at him; he is speaking to you." The man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshipped Jesus.

What had the blind man told the teachers of the Law?

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.



Sunday Gospel Gallery

Look at this Sunday's Gospel picture. What can you see? How do you feel? What does it make you think about?

2 SHARE & CARE! Growing in Goodness & Love: This Wednesday's Word...

"Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal."

St Thomas More

HEALING

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us how, in Jesus, God is active in the world, bringing healing. At differing times and in differing ways, we all need the healing touch of God. Ask your child what the word 'healing' means to them. It may help your child if you tell them about the different kinds of healing we can experience in life. Then ask your child who brings healing to them, bringing comfort when they are ill, hurt or upset.

As a family, consider if there is anyone to whom you can help bring God's healing in this coming week. Perhaps you could: pray for someone; talk gently and lovingly to someone if there is a problem; take time to listen carefully to them, and try to support them where possible. God has given the Church sacraments for healing - the Sacrament of the Sick and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). In preparation for Easter, many parish churches will be having special Reconciliation services to which all are warmly invited.

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Dear Lord Jesus, help us to see you more clearly – to believe in you and to share your light and healing with all those around us. Amen.

WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

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

- BORN
- BLIND
- WASHED
- SILOAM
- HEALED
- BELIEVED
- WORSHIPPED
- JESUS

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

Cross out the letters **u s t** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

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The teachers of the ____ did not _____ what the ____ said about Jesus _____ him.

It's good to be a 'healer'. We can hurt people by unkind words, by a look or by refusing to speak to them. But we can heal people by a smile, by a greeting or even by asking for their forgiveness or offering them ours.

FINDING THREE



Find and **draw 3** differences, then colour the picture

This week I will try my best to...

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Write a promise & **draw** a big smile on Smiley

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