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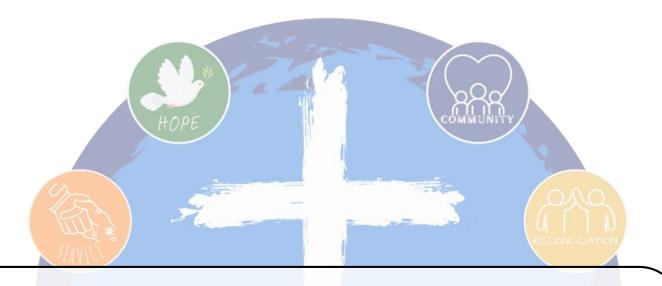
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit







Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. **Romans 12:10** 





In Romans, we hear that joy can come from God

Spend a minute in silence thinking of the things that bring you joy today.



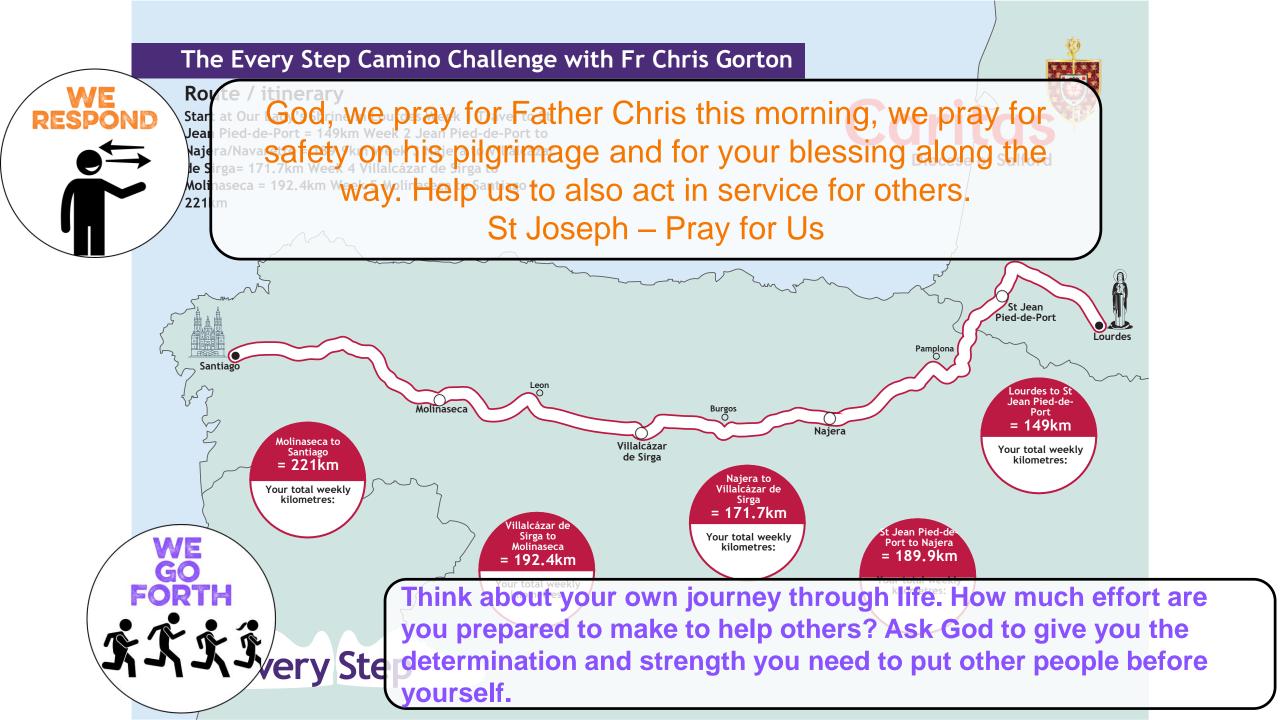
# Caritas

Caritas is the organization in Salford Diocese which supports people in need. Fr Chris Gorton has chosen to raise funds for Caritas and serve others by doing a sponsored run along the Camino de Santiago - a special Christian pilgrimage route – during the months of September and October. He is starting on Monday 16th September and complete the challenge on Wednesday 23rd October.



 Look at the map of Fr Chris' route (next slide). Pray for him as he cycles from Lourdes in France through to the Cathedral in Santiago, Spain.







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## In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit



Listen to this piece of music called Servant King As you listen to the hymn Servant King, reflect on Jesus' life.





How can you follow his example?





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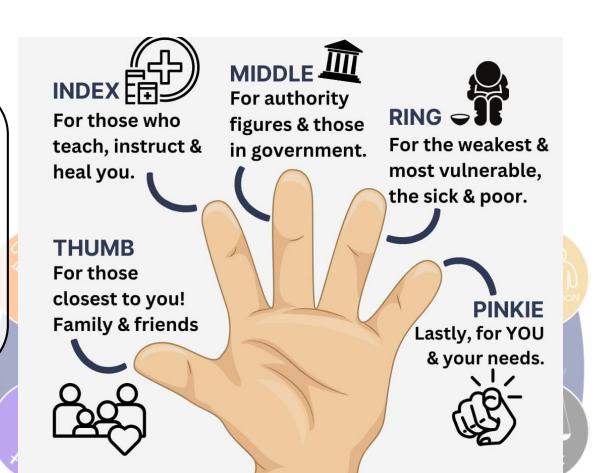


I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people 1 Timothy 2:1



One way we can all serve others is through prayer,

Spend a few minutes now giving that service.

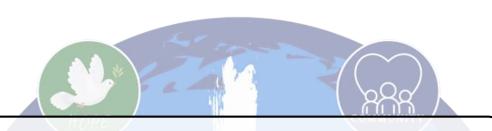




Continue to serve others through prayer







In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit



But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve. **Mark 10** 





We pray for our communities, families and friends: that we may care for each other as Jesus taught us, and so change all our lives for the better.

#### Lord, in your mercy - Hear our prayer

We pray for all people who are working to build peace in their communities; that they may inspire others and find strength to carry on, even in the hardest times.

### Lord, in your mercy - Hear our prayer

We pray for world leaders: that they may make wise decisions for the good of all the members of our global family.

Lord, in your mercy - Hear our prayer



How can we support those who serve our community?



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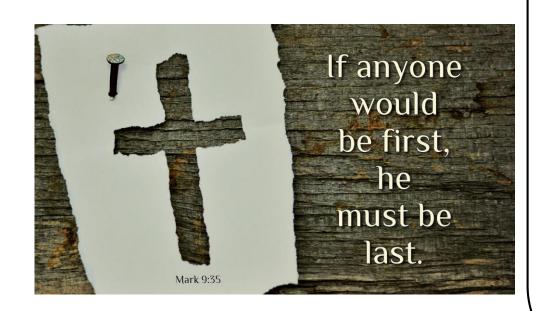
What does it mean to serve others?



In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.



**Gospel: Mark 9:30-37** 



#### **Jesus Predicts His Death a Second Time**

They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.





#### Who is the Greatest?

They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

Jesus spells out his revolutionary message very clearly to them. "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." This message turns everything on its head. In those days, just like today, people wanted to be seen to be in charge, they wanted power and influence. But Jesus asks something very different.

Jesus asks his friends to serve and help others. He didn't just preach about service, Jesus showed us by his example how real love means putting other people first. Jesus showed us how much he loves us when he chose to die. He rose to new life and we will have a full life too when we chose to love by serving others.



Thank you, Jesus, for loving me so much.
Thank you for showing me by your example
what real love looks like.
Help me to live as you ask.
Help me to spread your love in the world by
the way I serve others every day.
Amen



In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.