

December

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In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**WE
GATHER**



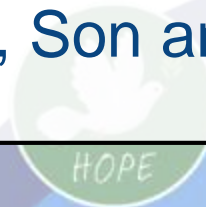
Advent
Joy

MOUNT ST JOSEPH
GOSPEL VALUES

COURAGE



JUSTICE



HOPE





"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord"



The third week of Advent we remember the gift of Joy we have in Christ. We remember the joy that Mary felt when the angel Gabriel told her that a special child would be born to her - a child who would save and deliver all people. Joy is the gift we all receive from the unconditional love Christ has for us.



Loving God, we thank you for the joy you bring us. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord's coming by helping us see that Christ came for every person we meet wherever we go. We ask this in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus our Lord.

A festive banner for a Christmas food collection. The background is purple with green pine branches and silver Christmas ornaments. In the top left, there's a graphic of two hands shaking with the letters 'D' and 'P' above them. The main title 'CHRISTMAS Food COLLECTION' is in large, colorful, stylized letters. To the right is the 'Farnworth & Kearsley foodbank' logo. Below it is a red circular logo for 'Caritas Ambassador' featuring a coat of arms. In the bottom right, there's a graphic of a Christmas tree made of raffle tickets with numbers like 88, 33, 19, 39, 4, 9, 2, 0, 186, 35086, 5086, 6350, and 48 6.

**CHRISTMAS
Food COLLECTION**

Farnworth & Kearsley
foodbank

Caritas
Ambassador

Every donated item you receive a raffle
ticket for the Christmas hamper draw
5 donations = 5 PB Points

HELP BY DONATING AN ITEM OR TWO FROM
OUR SHOPPING LIST

TINNED SOUP / CUP A SOUP

TINNED MEAT (CORNED BEEF, HAM, HOT
DOGS, LUNCHEON MEAT)

TINNED FISH

RICE (MICROWAVEABLE)

INSTANT MASH / NOODLES

BISCUITS

CUSTARD / RICE PUDDING

TEA BAGS

DEODORANT AND SHOWER GEL (MEN AND
WOMEN'S)

TOOTHPASTE AND TOOTHBRUSHES



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LISTEN



Listen to the Song – The Gift
While you listen reflect on the love
and joy we celebrate at this time.

WE
RESPOND



WE
GO
FORTH



Love shone down on our world two thousand
years ago.

Help me bring love into the world today, Lord.

Let me shine with your love.

St Joseph – Pray for us

St Teresa – Pray for us.



HOPE



COMMUNITY



RECONCILIATION



JUSTICE



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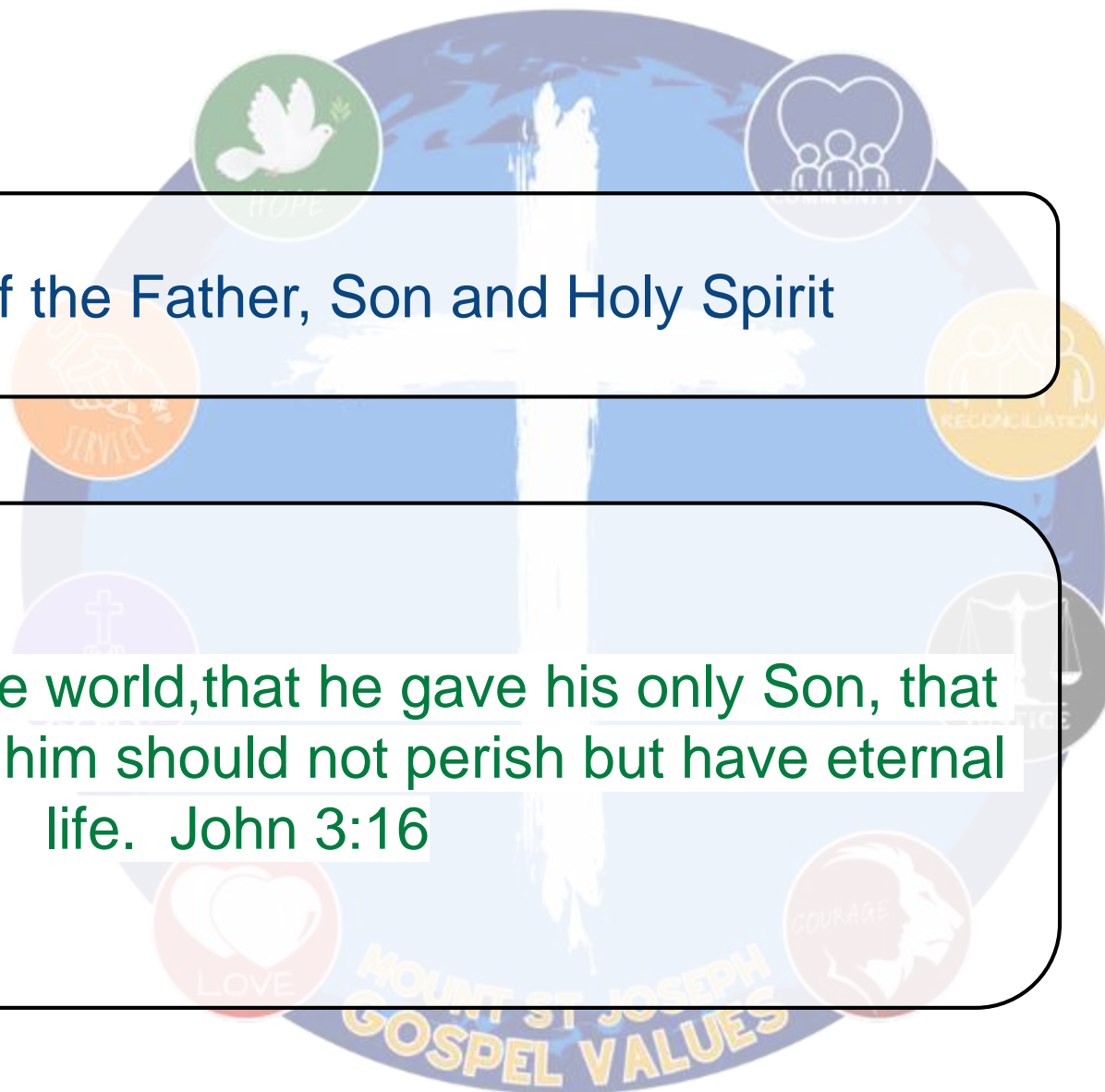


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For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16





[Stillness Script – Click here](#)

BE



STILL

silence

Spend a couple of minutes in silent reflection



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"Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends."

LOVE

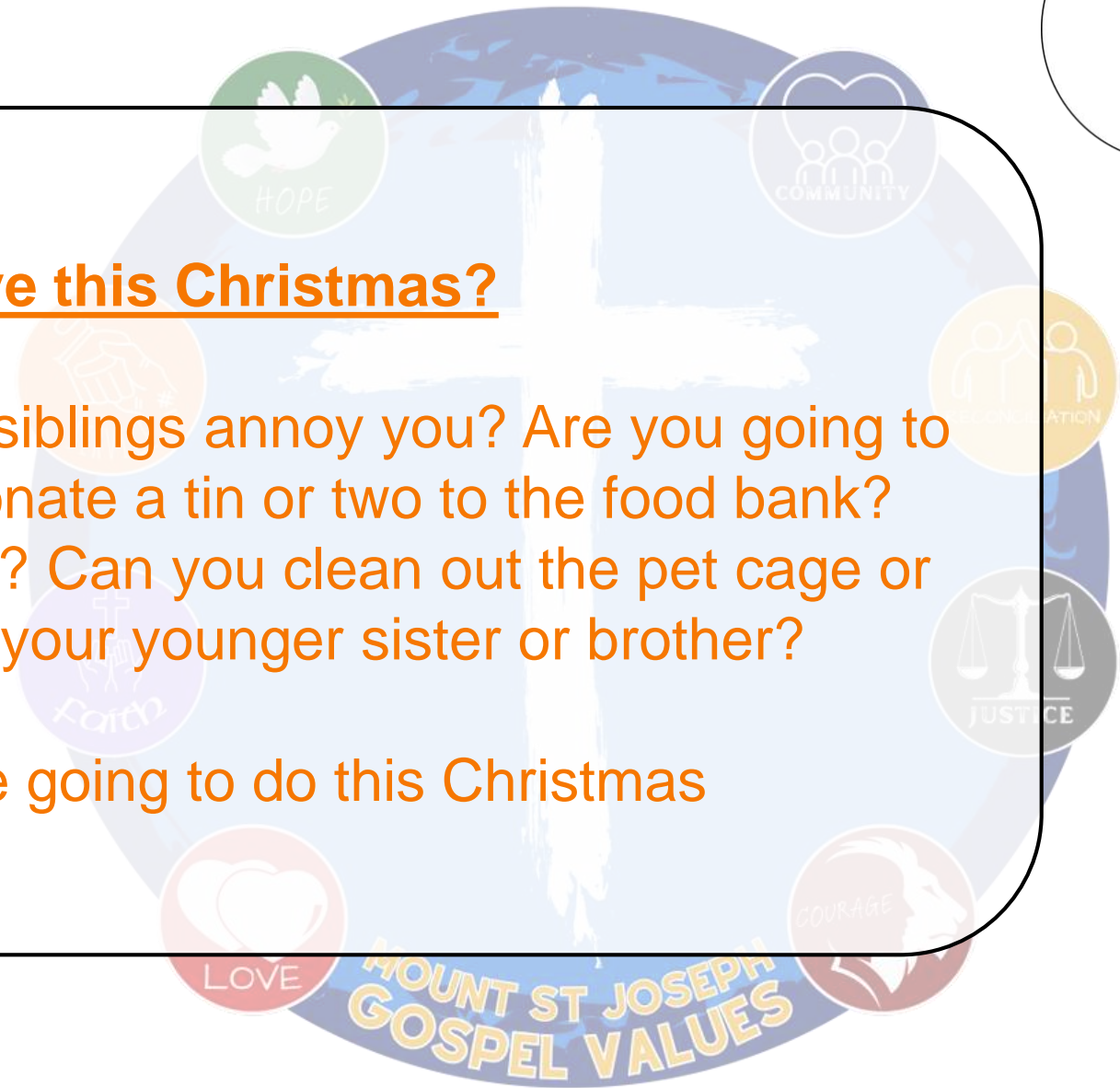
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How are you going to show love this Christmas?

Will you speak kindly when your siblings annoy you? Are you going to volunteer to tidy up? Can you donate a tin or two to the food bank? Do your neighbours need a hand? Can you clean out the pet cage or walk the dog? Can you entertain your younger sister or brother?

On your heart, write what you are going to do this Christmas



Jesus, you are mighty
Yet you chose to become one of us.
As we prepare to celebrate your birth at
Christmas, open my heart so that I might
experience your story in a new way.
Let me hear, and really understand, your
message of love putting it into action.
St Joseph – Pray for us
St Teresa – Pray for us.



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