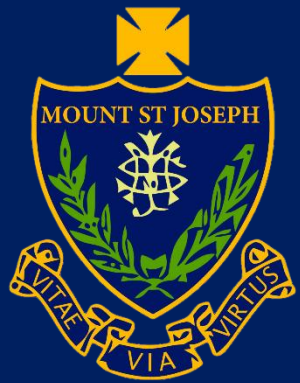




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*But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another*
1 John 1:7



In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit



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If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another.

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Our School Prayer

LORD, make me a better person, more considerate to others, more honest with myself, more faithful to you. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life, and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.

St Joseph – Pray for us

St Teresa – Pray for us



How can we walk in the light and bring happiness to others in this new school year?

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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

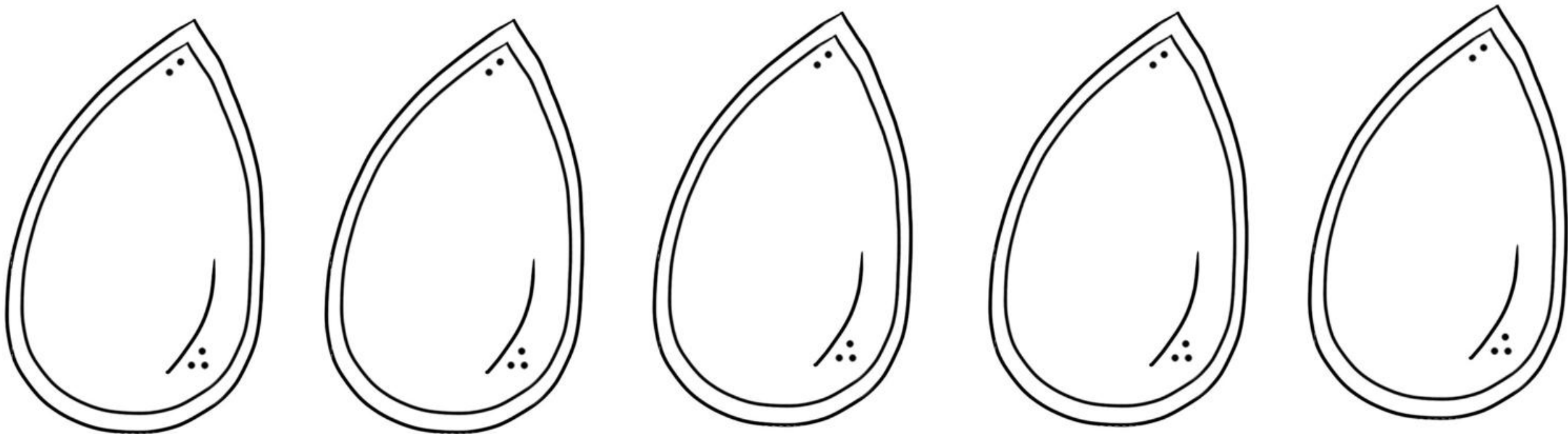
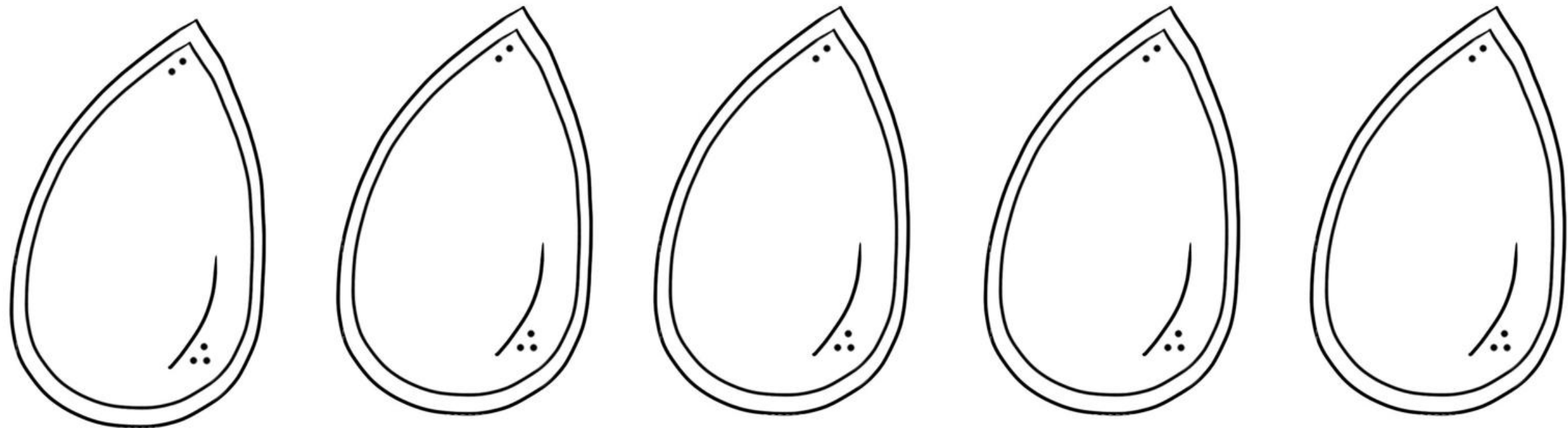
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As you reflect on your hopes at the beginning of the year, take time to think about how you can achieve positive outcomes. A seed needs good soil, light and water. Care for a seed takes time and effort - and a lot of patience, waiting to see it grow.

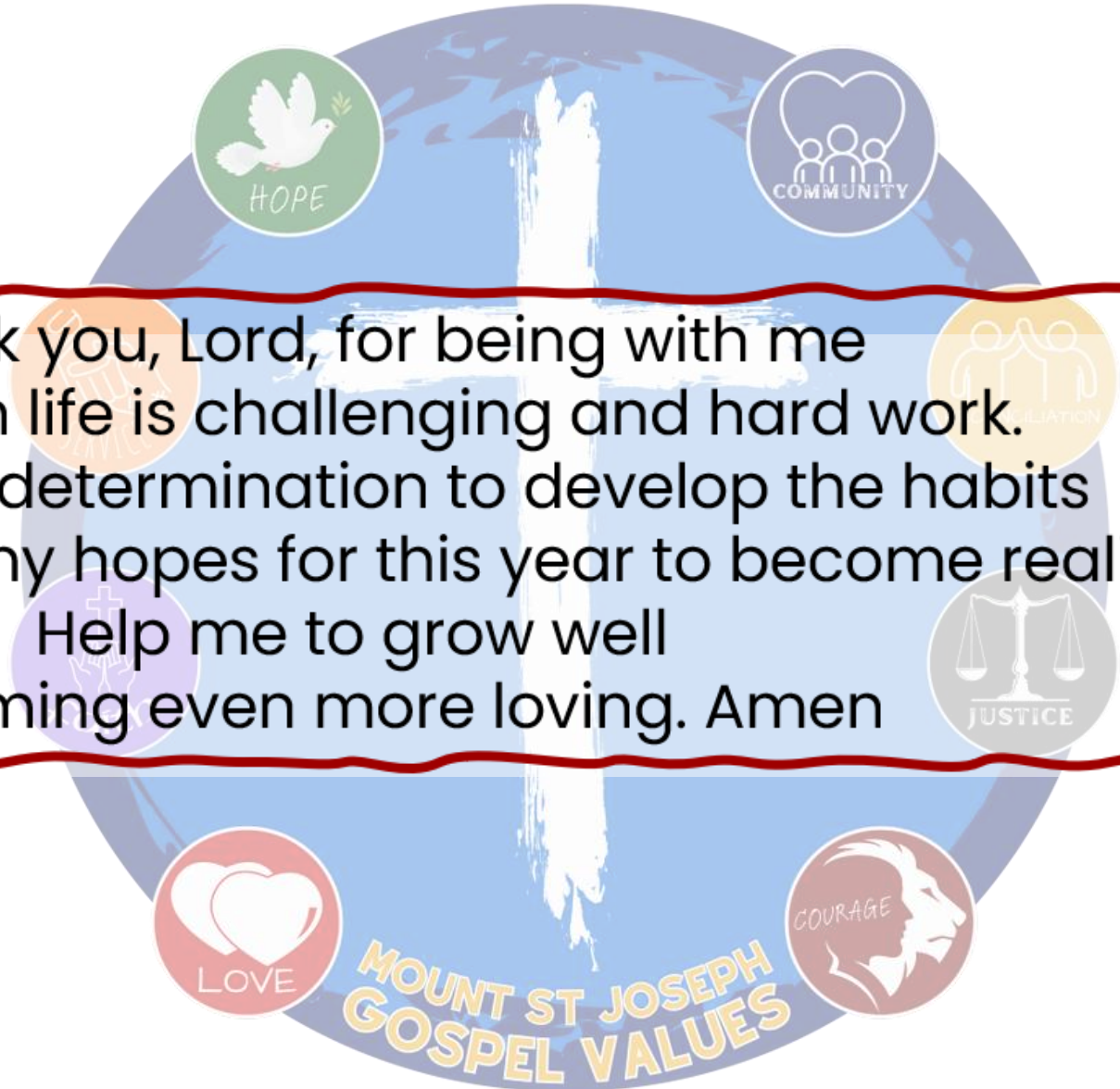
You may like to write on the seed template on the next slide one of your hopes for this year – and one way you will work to make it a reality.

As you bring your seed to sacred space, ask God to help you to give your hopes the right care they need to become reality.





Thank you, Lord, for being with me
even when life is challenging and hard work.
Give me the determination to develop the habits
which will help my hopes for this year to become reality.
Help me to grow well
becoming even more loving. Amen



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...whoever loses his life
for my sake will find it.



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Gospel : Matthew 16:21-27

At that time: Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.'



We can't see just what the future holds. Certainly, the disciples couldn't begin to imagine what was going to happen to Jesus. Even when Jesus tries to explain, they just can't understand. Peter is horrified when Jesus says he is going to suffer and die. The idea that he will rise again is completely beyond comprehension.

As we begin a new school year, this Gospel, which on first reading may seem harsh, gives us a hopeful message. We can't see what this year will bring but if we trust God, good can come out of any difficulties we have to face.

Jesus promises us life. Where will you find life and hope this year? How will you share love and joy with the people you meet?



Lord Jesus,

I ask for your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience your presence
in the many blessings you put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities
that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.
Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies
and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers
and let me experience your presence in my new friends.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year! Amen.