



Celebration of the Word

Walking with Jesus in the Passion

One Heart, One Mind

in Faith, Hope and Love





Let us begin with the
Sign of the Cross.

**ALL: In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**



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Loving and merciful God,

As we begin the season of Lent, we remember Jesus' journey through suffering and love in the story of the Passion.

Help us to walk with compassion, courage, and kindness, following the example of Jesus and inspired by Catherine McAuley to show mercy to those around us.

As we begin this assembly, quiet our hearts and guide our actions today, so that we may live with one heart and one mind in faith, hope, and love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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Our Mercy Identity

- Broughton Hall is a Mercy school, founded on the vision of Catherine McAuley.
- Catherine believed that faith must be lived through compassion, service, and care for those who suffer.
- Today, we reflect on the Passion of Christ through the lens of mercy.

Scripture Reading: We listen to the Word of God.



Luke 6:37

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.”



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Lent – A Time of Mercy

- Lent is a time of prayer, reflection, and turning back to God.
- This year, Ash Wednesday falls during half term.
- Ashes will be received in school on the first Wednesday after half term, reminding us that we are called to change our hearts and choose love.



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The Passion of Christ

- The Passion tells the story of Jesus' suffering, crucifixion, and death.
- Jesus freely accepted suffering out of love, standing in solidarity with all who experience pain, injustice, and rejection.
- This is also at the heart of our Mercy tradition.



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Why the Passion Matters

Through the Passion, we see:

- Courage in the face of suffering
- Forgiveness even when hurt
- Love that never gives up





The Stations of the Cross

- The Stations of the Cross help us to walk step by step with Jesus on his journey to Calvary.
- Each station invites us to pause, reflect, and respond with compassion and prayer.





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Passion Service

Form Group Stations Project

- On Friday 27th March there will be a Passion Service for each year group. During this we will journey together through the Stations of the Cross as one Mercy community.
- Each form group will be assigned TWO Stations of the Cross and your task is to help others pray, reflect and grow in compassion through your station presentations during the service.

Because there are 14 Stations:

- One form group will create the Opening Prayer and present the First Station.
- Another form group will present the Final Station and write an Easter Prayer to end the service with hope.



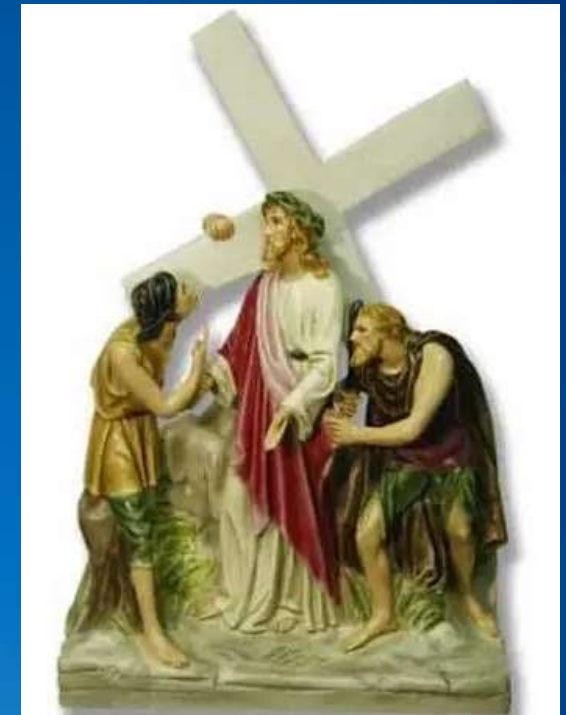
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Creative and Respectful Responses

Stations may be presented through:

- Artwork or illustration
- Design projects, including 3D objects
- Music or song
- Dance or movement
- Drama or spoken word



All work should reflect dignity, prayerfulness, and respect.



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Living Mercy Today

As we reflect on the Passion, we are invited to ask:

- Who is suffering around us?
- How can we show kindness, forgiveness, and courage?
- How can we live with one heart and one mind in faith, hope, and love?



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Closing Prayer

Loving God,

You walked with Jesus through suffering and brought hope out of darkness.

Help us, like Catherine McAuley, to respond to suffering with mercy and love.

Amen.

Catherine McAuley's Intercessions



May the God of Mercy bless and protect us all.

Amen.

May the God of Peace comfort us in times of trial.

Amen.

May the God of Love shine forth in our lives.

Amen.



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We end our prayer with the
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