

CELEBRATING THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF OUR SCHOOL W/C SUN 16TH MAY 2021, SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER

GOD LIVES IN US

God is love, and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him

1 JOHN 4:16

"NOT ONE IS LOST"

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.

In the first reading at Mass this week, we hear about the disciples arranging a replacement for Judas. He is also mentioned in the Gospel; 'the one who chose to be lost'. Sandwiched in between is a Psalm praising God's mercy, and a second reading sharing reassurance of God's unending love for us. It is no mistake that we are reminded about the decision made by Judas alongside the emphasis on how much God longs for us to cling to him. Love has to be a choice, else it isn't true. We have to choose to love God, just as we choose to love our family and friends. There are no risks, no terms attached to God's love, though, it is unconditional. Please listen to the music through the links below, and spend some time this week reflecting on the love God has for each one of us.



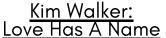
Cory Ashbury: Reckless Love

<u>Casting Crowns:</u> Good Good Father



David Crowder: How He Loves









MASS READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-26:

He can act as a witness to the resurrection

Psalm 102:

Praise for the Lord's Mercies 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16:

Anyone who lives in love lives in God

Gospel: John 17:11-19: Not one is lost

THIS WEEK

National Walk to School Week
National Saving Water Week
Saturday 22nd: Feast of St. Rita of Cascia

WE PRAY FOR...

All those we know who are sick and housebound, those in care or in hospital, and those who have recently died or have anniversaries at this time.

