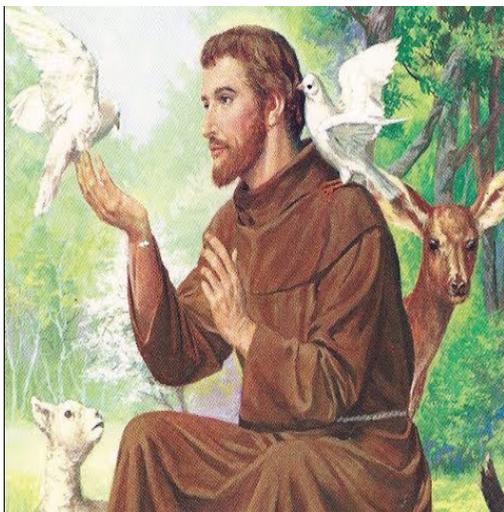
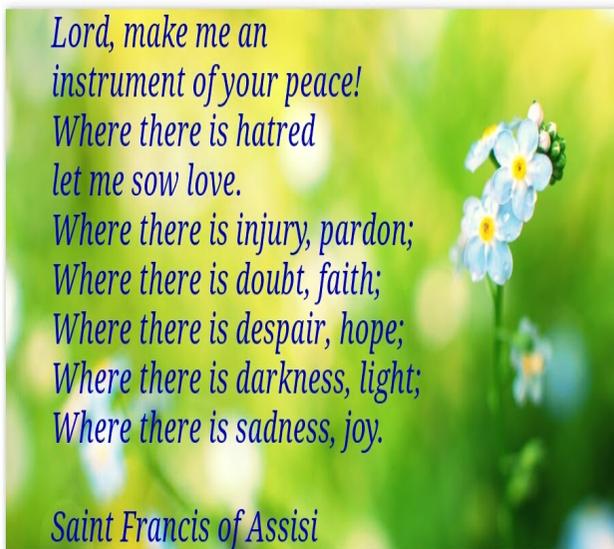


Saint Francis of Assisi gives us examples of how we can bring peace in our everyday lives.



Read his prayer below and reflect on how well you do what he challenges you to do.

### Let us pray:



### Gospel

#### The 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, **“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.** Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

“When you enter a house, first say, **‘Peace to this house.’** If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

“When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ **Luke 10:1-9**

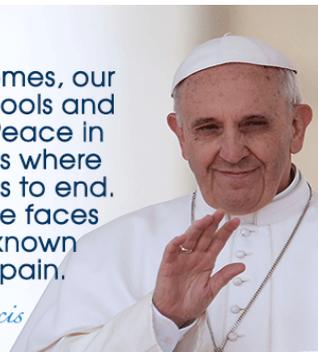
### Post-it Challenge:

**“Peace to this house’ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them.’**

- ✚ How do you promote peace?
- ✚ How do you respond when people bring peace to you?

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Peace in our homes, our families, our schools and communities. Peace in all those places where war never seems to end. Peace for those faces which have known nothing but pain.

~ Pope Francis



### Reflection:

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but we are all called to do it.

Jesus tells his followers that there is much work to do, but not enough people to do it. **“The harvest is great, but the labourers are few.”** He is asking for their help, but also for our help. He is saying that we do not need material wealth but peace in our lives and he is asking us to bring peace to others. The disciples are asking people to change their lives and to follow Jesus, but often the people who the disciples met, were people who were too busy with other things to listen to the message or not ready to change their ways. We are called to bring peace to those around us and to respond positively when others try to bring peace to us by teaching us the message of peace and reconciliation.



In your life, there are always people around you to help you learn about peace – how to give peace and how to receive peace. Think of the times when your parents or teachers have called you out

on your choices. How often do you argue back instead of listening?

How often have you seen players arguing with the referee at a match for calling them out on their behaviour?

Does this create peace?

How would Jesus want us to respond to people who advise us on the right way to behave?

