

# St John Plessington Catholic College

# Thought for the week

Week Commencing 26th February 2018

"God is transfiguring the world right this very moment through us because God believes in us and because God loves us."

**Desmond Tutu** 



"From my point of view, God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us."

**Pope Francis** 



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#### God our Father,

I offer to you everything that I do this day.

I offer to you my prayers, works, sufferings and joys of this day.

May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen me so that my life may be of service to you and all who I meet.

St John Plessington Pray for us.

## **Monday 26th February 2018**



#### Read the following Scripture:

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what "rising from the dead" meant.

# **Monday 26th February 2018**

#### **Paired Speaking Question:**

What was the 'Transfiguration'?



#### **Class Speaking Challenge:**

Why do you think the Transfiguration is so important for Christians? What does it show them about life and God?

#### **Class Discussion:**

To 'transfigure' means to transform into something more beautiful or elevated. How do you think God is doing this now in the world?

#### **Exit Pass:**

On the way out, tell me how you could transfigure in your school life.

### **Tuesday 27th February 2018**

This week marks the start of Fairtrade Fortnight. This week we are asking you to do something which may sound strange.

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# Eat Chocolate for Lent!



During this time of the year, a lot of people give chocolate up! We are asking you to actually give chocolate a chance...specifically FairTrade Chocolate!

The next time you go to the Supermarket or shop find chocolate with the Fairtrade logo on it. You can buy someone choccy for you or a friend!

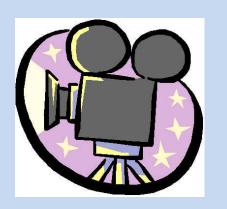
#### Wednesday 28th February 2018



#### **Action:**

To see how Fairtrade can help others, have a look at this 360° video of Samuel Maina, a Fairtrade coffee farmer in the Kangema district of Kenya. Samuel shows us around his farm and talks about his life.

Samuel's Fairtrade Story' has been filmed using a 360-degree camera and can be viewed to really get a feel for life on Samuel's farm. Explore the scene by using the cursor to scroll left and right, up and down.



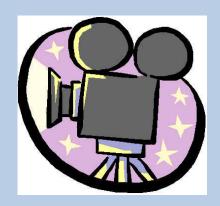
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### Thursday 1st March 2018



## Today is St David's Day.

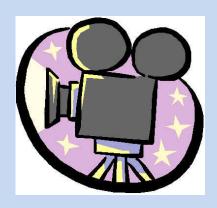
- St David was born towards the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> century.
- He lived in Wales.
- He was a Christian and a teacher of the Christian faith.
- It is said that he performed miracles which is why he became a Saint.
- He died on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 588, which is why St David's day is on that day.



### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018



# Please watch the video below and really listen to and read the lyrics:



O Christ, you took Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain by themselves. We pray for our Pope and bishops that they may inspire in your people the hope of being transfigured at the last day.

Amen.