



ST COLUMBA'S FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

HELLO FAMILIES OF ST COLUMBA'S

First up, well done and thank you to two families recently leading from the front - Stephanie and Sebastian, with Mum Alison, and Flora and Isla, with Dad, Roddy. They have done a great job sharing the week's gospel readings and prayers from their own homes. Check it out at <https://www.stcolumbas.org.uk/scripture-and-music-for-lent/> Thank you; it is a lovely contribution to our Lent journey towards Easter.



This Sunday (the fifth Sunday in Lent) is sometimes known as Passion Sunday. Traditionally it is a time to think about what Jesus suffered and why. It is a tough Sunday and the gospel reading has Jesus predicting that he will be “lifted up” – meaning that he will be killed by being put on a cross. Fiona who chooses our activities each week said that this week she just couldn't find material that seemed suitable – even though she tried. So, how might we respond?

One way might be for the grown ups in the household to think about how can we talk about the story of Jesus' death. If we try, it will perhaps show our young people that our faith is not just about happy times – actually its strength comes from knowing it can help us in the rough times too. Not easy – but worth the try? Why not check out and discuss the primary school entries to the Moderator's challenge, “Hidden in Plain Sight” [Hidden in Plain Sight: The Moderator's Photography Competition | The Church of Scotland](#)



Secondly: Today is Red Nose Day. Time for laughter and a good cause. I am told that in the Middle Ages it was the custom that on Easter morning – the day we celebrate Jesus' return to life – priests would tell jokes before service started – sometimes quite rude ones – because laughter was a sign of resurrection! So, the activities for this Sunday are Red Nose related <https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday/schools/freedownloads/>

I suggest Primary Quiz and Games.

Have fun and before you go.....

The other day I held the door open for a clown.
I thought it was a nice jester.

Have a great weekend and see you on Sunday

Angus & the Sunday School Team

