

Our Lady of Peace Catholic School

3rd Sunday of Lent

God gives us another chance.

Our journey in Lent



The journey lasts for 6 weeks
We are in week 3.



Introduction



Introduction

- Sometimes when we are ready to give up, we decide to give something one more chance and then find they we finally succeed! God is always ready to give us another chance, even when we get things wrong time and time again.

Gospel Acclamation

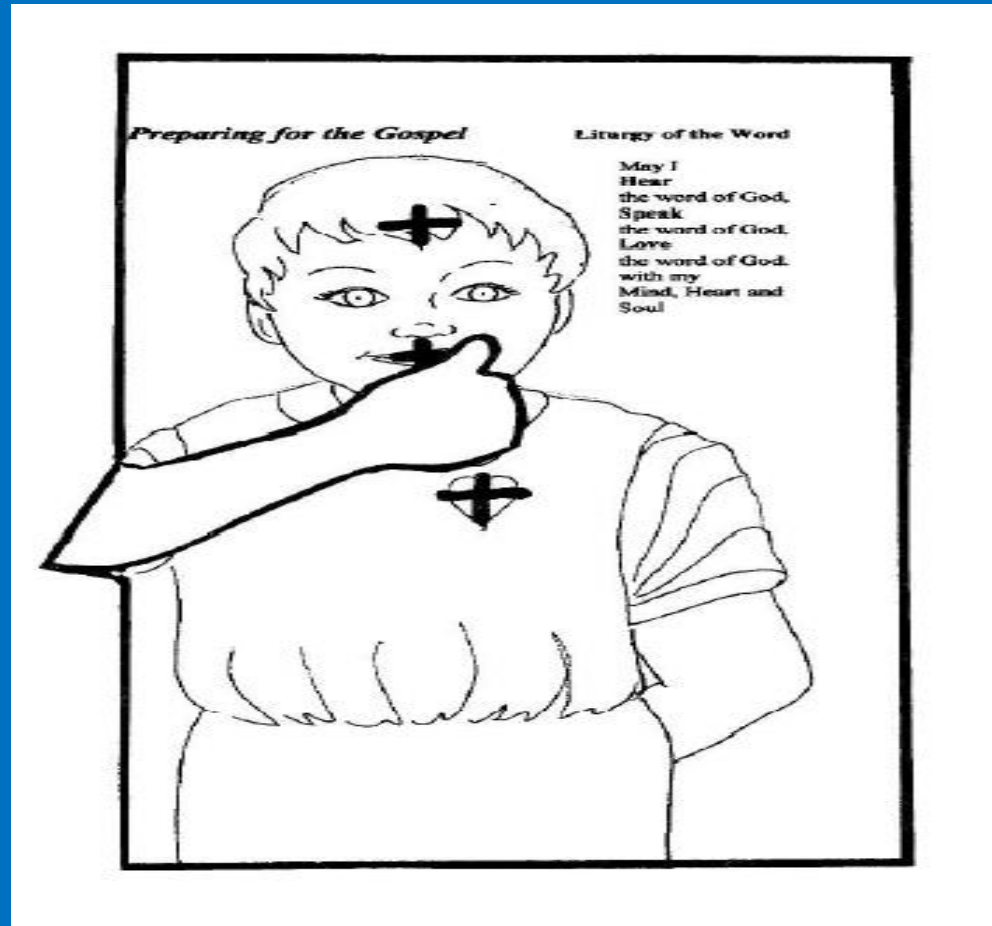
We have come to hear you Lord, hear you
Lord, hear your Lord.

We have come to hear you Lord, we are
listening.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Response:

Glory to you, O Lord



Gospel



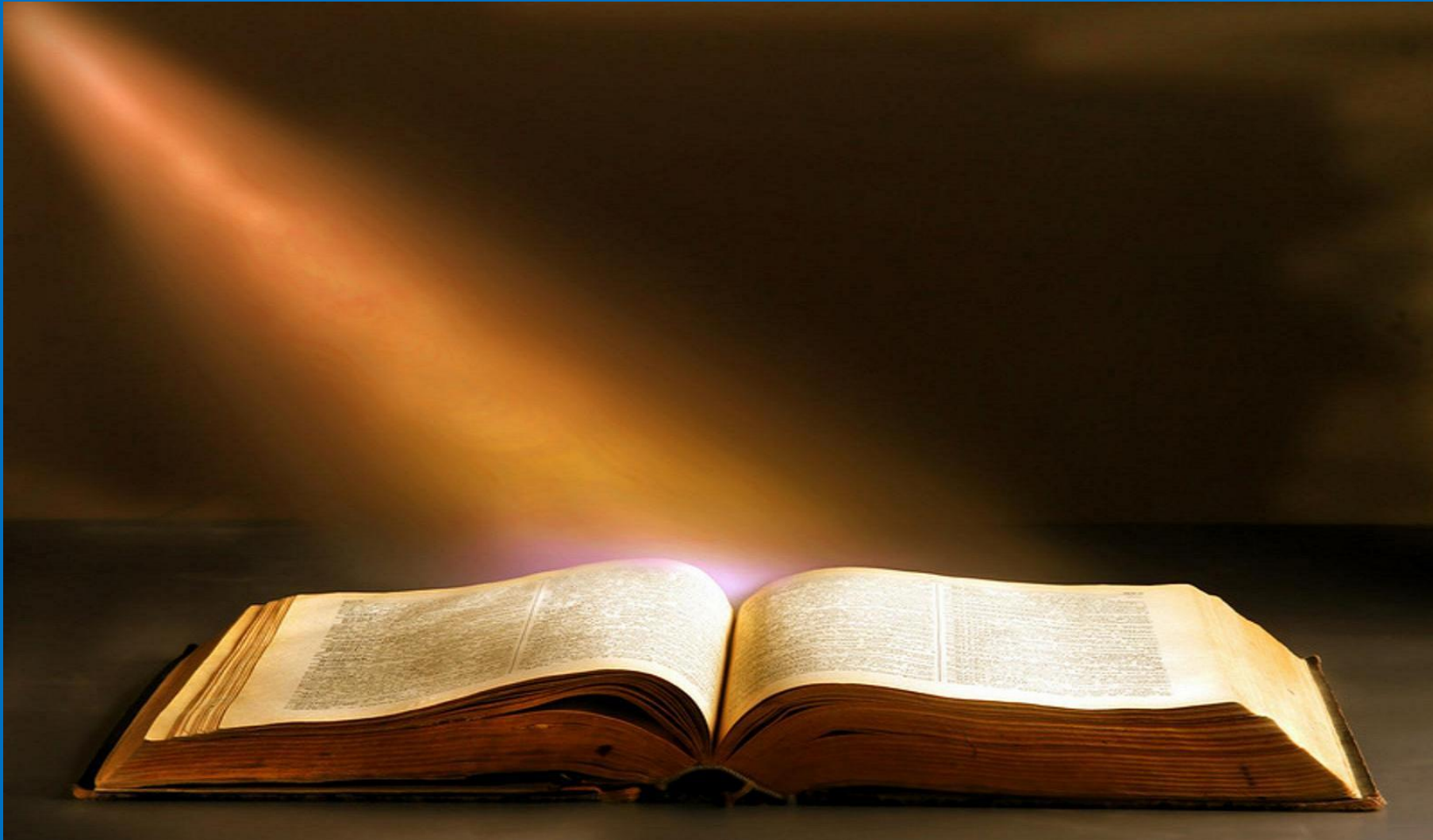
Gospel Luke 13:6-9

**One day Jesus told his people this parable:
‘A man went to check how many fruits were growing on a fig tree in his orchard, but he found that there were none. So he sent for his gardener and told him, “This tree has grown no fruit for the last three years. Cut it down and plant another tree in its place!”**

But the gardener said to him, “ Master give the tree one more year so I can feed and care for it. Then if it still has no fruit on it, cut it down.” ’

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Reflection 1 & 2

Fig tree



Reflection 3

Fig tree



Reflection 4

Fruit from the fig tree



Reflection 1

Why did the man want to cut the tree down?

The gardener wanted to try and see if he could try and save the tree, give it one more chance.

Reflection 2

Sometimes when we are ready to give up, we decide to give something one more chance and then find that we finally succeed! God is always ready to give us another chance, even when we get things wrong time and time again.

Reflection 3

In the Gospel today, Jesus wanted us to know that God will always give us another chance to change for the better. When we ask for forgiveness, he is ready to help us to make a fresh start.

Reflection 4

Jesus often told parables or stories with an important message. What do you think the message of today's Gospel is?

Never give up and try, try again!

Prayer



Prayer

Dear Jesus,

Take my hand and show me the way

Help me to get up when I fall and to try again, knowing that you will always give me another chance.

Help me to be kind, loving and forgiving and able to bear the fruits of God's life and love in us.

Please give us another chance to change and to grow the fruits of your love. May the light of God's love shine in our lives for everybody to see.

With Christ in our hearts, together we grow

Amen

Acknowledgement

- Words were taken from;
- The Complete Children's Liturgy.
- First Published in 1995 by Kevin Mayhew LTD
- Copyright -1995 Kevin Mayhew Ltd.
- ISBN 0 86209 63 7
- "Reproduced by permission of Kevin Mayhew Ltd, Licence no: KMAL240119/01".