



# Our Lady of Peace School

**With Christ in our hearts, together we grow**

**John 1:29-34 Jesus the chosen one**



# Introduction

John the Baptist had been preaching to the crowds and baptising them in the River Jordan. God had told John that He would send him a sign. The Holy Spirit would appear like a dove, and settle on the one he had chosen to send. John would then be ready to show the Son of God to the people.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth, peace on earth, Peace to people of goodwill.

We praise You, we bless You, We adore You, we glorify You  
We give You thanks, For Your great glory.  
Lord God heavenly King, O God Almighty Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth, peace on earth, Peace to people of goodwill

Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son.  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.  
You take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.  
You take away the sins of the world, Receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand, The right hand of the Father  
Have mercy on us....

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth, peace on earth, Peace to people of goodwill

For You alone are the Holy One

You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the most High,

Jesus Christ.

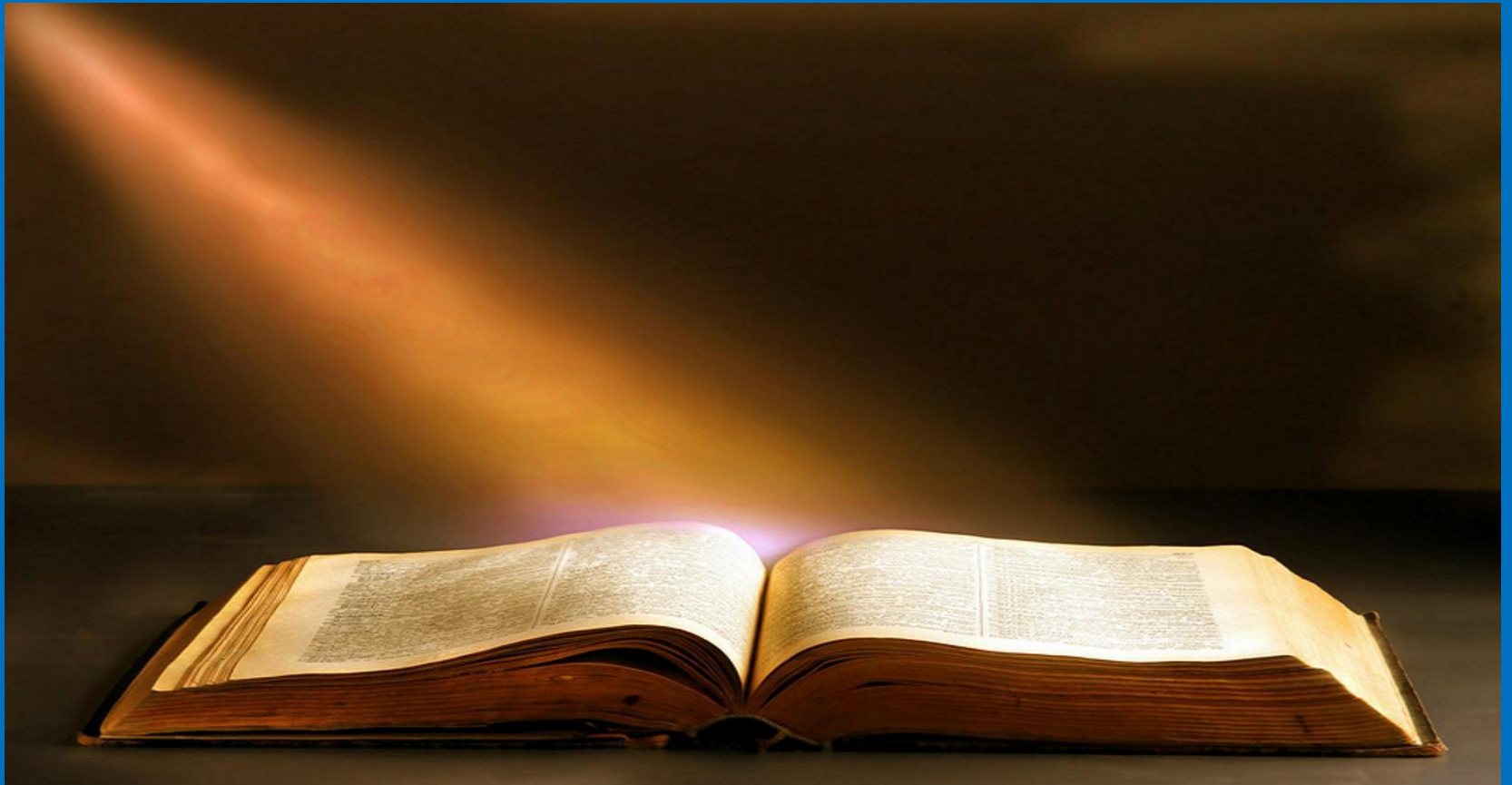
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory

Of God the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth, peace on earth, Peace to people of good  
will

Amen, Amen.

# Gospel Acclamation



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Alleluia, alleluia,  
Praise praise, praise the Lord.  
Praise our Father dear.  
As we listen to His word,  
Feel his Spirit near.

Alleluia, alleluia,

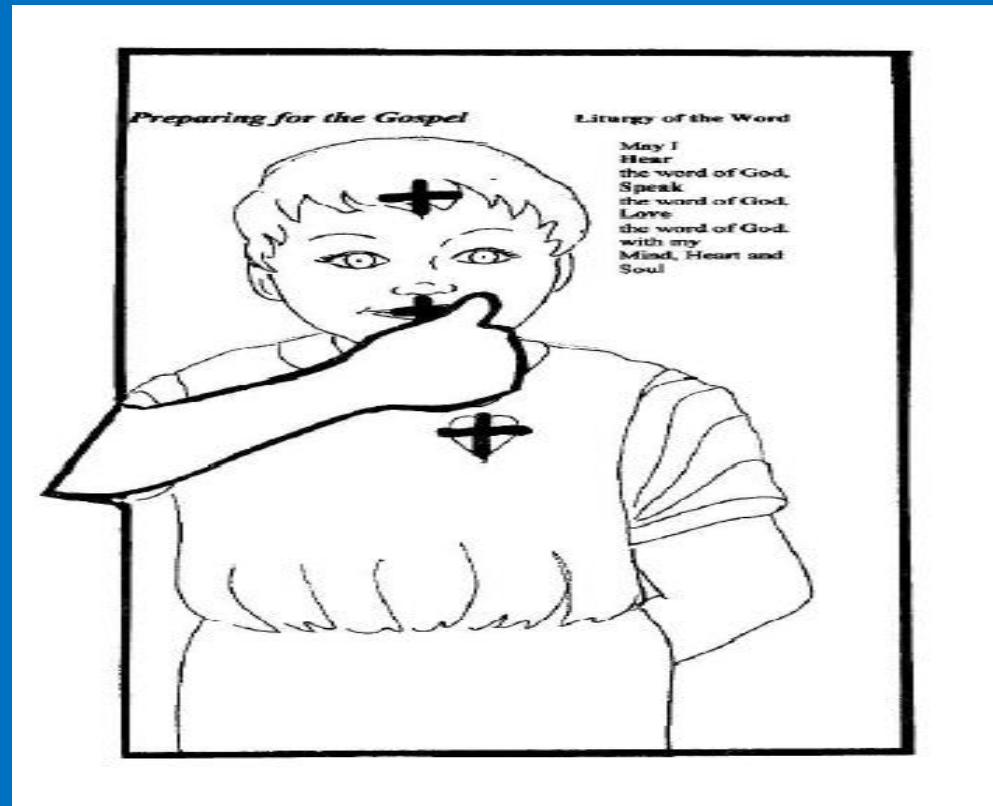


The Lord be with you

**Response: And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to Matthew

**Response: Glory to you, O Lord**







## Gospel Matthew- 3:13-17

When John saw Jesus in the distance walking towards him, he said to the crowds, "Look, there is Jesus the lamb of God. He is the special one sent by God whom I have told you about. I saw the Holy Spirit , hovering like a dove, coming down from Heaven and settling on Him. He is the one you must follow now, for he will baptise you not just with water, but with the Spirit of God"

# The Gospel of the Lord

## Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**







# Reflection 1

- What sign did God send so that John would know that Jesus was the chosen?
- John had been preparing the people but what else did God want him to do?

# Reflection 2

- John called Jesus the “Lamb of God” – because He would meekly sacrifice His life for us.
- John’s work was coming to an end – he had prepared the people to listen to Jesus and His message.
- John pointed Jesus out as the chosen one, the Son of God, and told the people to follow Him.

# Reflection 3

Can anyone remember another occasion when the Spirit appeared, not as a dove, but in another way?

At Pentecost, when the disciples were hidden away in a room after the death of Jesus, the Spirit appeared as flickering flames, which came to rest on each of them and the room was filled with the sound of rushing wind.

Certainly, He does not always appear as a dove!





# Closing Prayer

Dear Jesus,

Help us not to be afraid, help us to remember that God will always love you.

As a father loves his child, he will always love you.

Turn back to him and know God's love lasts forever.

When we see a dove, help us to remember that your spirit is with us in all that we do, helping to guide and protect us always.

Amen

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