

# Children's Newsletter

## St Mary's

26th  
Sunday

Mark 9:38-43, 47-48

Today's Gospel talks about the disciples getting annoyed with someone who was healing a sick person in the name of Jesus. You might think this was a good thing but the disciples said that the healer was not a follower of Jesus.

Jesus reminds them that if anyone heals in his name then they are doing the right thing and the disciples should not be afraid to share Jesus' healing powers.

### Moses shares Power

In the first reading God takes some of the power he had given to Moses and shares it with the seventy elders. They start to give messages from God.

Some of the people rushed to tell Moses what the elders were doing and how he should stop them.

Moses said that they should not be jealous for him. He would like every one to be prophets of the Lord.

He understood that it was good to share God's gifts.

### Gifts from God

God has given us all gifts. What are yours? (Ask your parents for help if you can't think of any)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5

You will have many more than these, but the question is, do you share them?



Try to re-use some of the things you have used this week.

Can you put vegetable peelings and used tea-bags in the compost heap?

What about making a bird feeder with an old yoghurt pot.

Don't leave doors and windows open when the heating is on.

Perhaps you could plant a tree.

Give away some of the seeds you have collected.

Do you take the time to recycle your glass, aluminium and plastic?

## Archangels

The feast day of the Archangels is September 29th.



The archangels were special messengers of God. They were the ones we know by name.

Michael's name means "one like God" and he is known as the sword of God and he works against all that is evil and bad in the world.

Gabriel's name means "God is my strength" and he is the messenger of God. It was Gabriel who asked Mary if she would become the mother of Jesus and it was Gabriel who sent the shepherds of Bethlehem.



Raphael's name means "God is my health". He is known as the healer of God.

## Leaf and Bark Rubbings

You will need: Plain white paper

Soft pencil, charcoal or crayons

Place the paper over a leaf or place it on the tree bark.

Gently but firmly rub over the leaf or bark.

When you have finished a few, use them to make a picture.

Can you identify what type of tree or leaf you have used?



## Guardian Angels

Each of us has a Guardian Angel who watches over us and will help us do the right thing if we let them. When you say your prayers don't forget to say one to your Guardian Angel. The feast of Guardian Angels is on Oct 2nd.

*O Angel of God, my guardian dear,*

*To whom God's love commits me here.*

*Ever this day be at my side,*

*To light and guard*

*To rule and guide,*

*Amen*