

St Therese of Lisieux



'A word or a smile is often enough to put fresh life in a sad soul'
 Feast Day 1st October

Doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way

Aims

- To know who St Therese of Lisieux was
- To learn how St Therese of Lisieux did ordinary things in an extraordinary way
- To explain how the Catholic Children's Society's Crisis Fund does ordinary things in extraordinary ways

Free Online Resources:

- KS2 Faith Hero Booklet
- PowerPoint presentation
- Prayer and Reflection

<p>Starter</p>	<p>Ordinary things Class discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What makes something 'ordinary' or 'extraordinary'? • How does something become extraordinary? • What ordinary things have you done? • What extraordinary things have you done? • Explain that most of us don't think we are extraordinary or do extraordinary things. But the ordinary things we do can become extraordinary, especially when we are helping others.
<p>Main Learning</p>	<p>Who was St Therese of Lisieux and how did she do ordinary things in extraordinary ways?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain to pupils that St Therese of Lisieux was a Faith Hero because she put her faith into action. She helped with small acts of kindness. • Use the PowerPoint Presentation to learn about the life of St Therese of Lisieux. <p>How can we follow the example of St Therese and do ordinary things in extraordinary ways? Class discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How was St Therese of Lisieux a Faith Hero? • What ordinary things could you do for others? • How can you make them extraordinary? • Explain that by doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way, we are putting our faith into action and being a Faith Hero. <p>How does the Catholic Children's Society's Crisis Fund put faith into action?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Catholic Children's Society helps children and families in an extraordinary way. • Use the PowerPoint to explain what the Crisis Fund is and read Thomas's story with the class. • How did the Catholic Children Society put faith into action and help Thomas?

<p>Pupil activities</p>	<p>Faith Hero Booklet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the activities in the Faith Hero Booklet on St Therese and explore how we can do the ordinary in an extraordinary way.
<p>Further optional activities</p>	<p>Be Creative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a picture of St Therese. Write on it how you are going to do ordinary things in an extraordinary way. • Decorate a t-light/candle and give it to somebody from school, family or parish. Make them a note to say that you are keeping them in your daily prayers and ask them to keep you in theirs. <p>Go Deeper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find out more about the life of St Therese of Lisieux • Read about acts of service in the Bible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hebrews 6:10 'Giving to others' - Matthew 7:12 'Doing for others' - Mark 12:41-44 'The Widow's Offering'
<p>Prayer and Reflection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the closing prayer on the PowerPoint. An extended prayer and reflection activity is available online: www.cathchild.org.uk/prayers-reflections/



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