



Thursday – Challenges



COMMUNITIES OF ...

FAITH

LEARNING

LOVE

RESILIENCE

HOPE



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Learning Intention

Students will learn to examine various challenges in life.
They will look at how faith can affect how we face up to challenges.

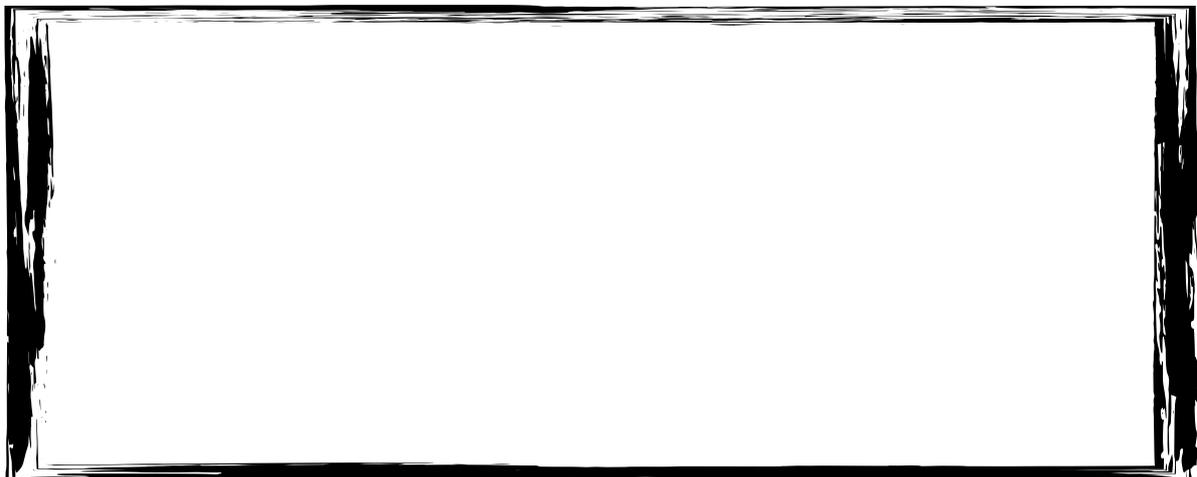
Success Criteria

- Students will be able to explain the word ‘challenge’ and identify different examples of challenges.
- Students will be able to describe how members of the Christian faith have been challenged and how they met those challenges.

Look at these two images. Which one do you think is the best image to represent what a challenge is?
Discuss your answer as a class or in pairs.



As individuals or as a class, come up with a different image that expresses what a ‘challenge’ is. You may want to doodle or draw it in your copy or journal or place it in the space provided.





In your copy or journal, or in the space provided, name the challenges you feel that young people face and then vote as a class for which one is the a) most common and b) most difficult.

List the challenges have been faced by the whole world in the past year.

In both lists, highlight the challenges which are likely to affect a) young people and b) the world in general for the foreseeable future.

Pier Giorgio Video: https://youtu.be/1mBpkj_ftKU

1. What challenges did Pier Giorgio face as a young boy with his parents?

2. What happened to him in school?

3. What qualities did Pier Giorgio have that we might not normally associate with a saint?



4. How do you think Pier Giorgio's faith in God might have helped him overcome various challenges?

5. In today's world, are you aware of any people who might have overcome challenges because of their faith?

Christ Has No Body Now But Yours

Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Teresa of Avila

1. What do you think Teresa of Avila means when she says 'Christ has no body now but yours'?

2. Can you give examples of people that you know that do good things because of their love of God?

3. What are some ways that we can act as the hands and feet of Jesus in the lives of others?



Numeracy Moment: Look up the following verses: Romans 8:28 and Philippians 4:13

1. Write out the verses in your copy or journal, or in the space provided.

2. What are they saying to us about challenges in our lives?

3. How would our lives be different if we really lived according to the spirit of these verses?

St John Henry Newman: God has Created Me to Do Him some Definite Service

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oyBStFF-rdk>

How do you think this prayer relates to the theme of challenges, and to the prayer of St Teresa of Avila? Does it tell us something about how we can help others with challenges?
