



FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
NOVEMBER

Peace ~ paix

“We are blessed with Christ’s peace.
The fruit of peace enables us to live as advocates for and witness to justice.”

*Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.”*

MATTHEW 5.9













THEORY OF ACTION

*“If we teach Jesus’ examples of peacefulness,
then students will become active in the Catholic responsibility for social justice.”*





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Definition

 **Looks Like:** Helping a friend, hands off, playing fair, making good choices, including others, nature, good relationships, getting along, gentleness, shaking hands, giving to others, making new friends, protecting the environment, reconciliation.

 **Sounds Like:** Talking respectfully, positive words, silence, positive thoughts, sounds of nature, children laughing or playing, raindrops falling, voices singing, saying sorry, quiet prayer or reflection.

 **Feels Like:** Love, justice, kindness, warmth, being included, wind on our face, security, a hug from a friend or family member, free from worry, forgiveness, comfort.

Prayer Table Ideas

 **Catholic Symbols:**

- o Green or purple cloth depending on liturgical season
- o Bible
- o Light
- o Crucifix

 **Symbols:**

- o **Branch** – To symbolize the olive tree branch carried by the dove.
- o **Dove** – Traditional symbol of peace and the Holy Spirit descending on Jesus during his baptism.
- o **Poppy** – Symbol of peace to commemorate those who have died in war
- o **Lamp** – To symbolize the eternal flame of peace, hope and regeneration of life, light of Christ.
- o **Act of Contrition** – To symbolize our inner peace, our own sinful lives and forgiveness.
- o **Sand** – To symbolize tranquility within the soul, harmony, clear and peaceful mind.
- o **Serenity Prayer** – To symbolize our acceptance of hardships on our pathway to peace.
- o **Prayer of St. Francis** – To symbolize our vision of a just and peaceful world
- o **Books** – Any book that discusses or presents the topic of 'peace'

 **7 Grandfather Teachings:**

Zaagi'idiwin – LOVE: To know love is to know peace. In the Anishinaabe language, this word means reciprocal love or mutual love. The Eagle is a great reminder of our own ability to soar great heights.

Traditional Prayers of the Month



Act of Contrition

My God,

I am sorry for my sins with all my heart, in choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

Amen.



Acte de contrition

Mon Dieu,

j'ai un très grand regret de t'avoir offensé, parce que tu es infiniment bon, et que le péché te déplaît. Je prends la ferme résolution avec le secours de ta sainte grâce de ne plus t'offenser et de faire penitence.

Amen.



Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change;
courage to change the things I can;
and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;

Enjoying one moment at a time;

Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;

Taking, as He did, this sinful world

as it is, not as I would have it;

Trusting that He will make all things right

if I surrender to His Will;

That I may be reasonably happy in this life

and supremely happy with Him

Forever in the next.

Amen.



Prière de la Sérénité

Mon Dieu, donnez moi la Sérénité
d'accepter les choses que je ne puis
changer, le courage de changer les
choses que je peux et la sagesse d'en
connaître la différence.

Vivre un jour à la fois; profiter de chaque
moment; accepter les difficultés qui font
partie de la route vers la paix. Accpeter,
come Lui, le monde avec ses péchés tel
qu'il est et non comme je le voudrais; avoir
confiance qu'Il s'occupera de tout si je lui
confie ma volonté; que je serai
raisonnablement heureux dans cette vie et
absolument heureux avec Lui dans l'autre.
Amen.



Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.



Prière de St François d'Assise

Seigneur,
Faites de moi un instrument de votre paix.

Là où est la haine, que je mette l'amour.
Là où est l'offense, que je mette le pardon.
Là où est la discorde, que je mette l'union.
Là où est l'erreur, que je mette la vérité.
Là où est le doute, que je mette la foi.
Là où est le désespoir, que je mette l'espérance.
Là où sont les ténèbres, que je mette la lumière.
Là où est la tristesse, que je mette la joie.

Faites que je ne cherche pas tant à être consolé que de consoler,
D'être compris que de comprendre.
D'être aimé que d'aimer. Parce que
C'est en donnant que l'on reçoit,
C'est en s'oubliant soi-même qu'on se retrouve
C'est en pardonnant qu'on obtient le pardon.
C'est en mourant que l'on ressuscite à l'éternelle vie.
Amen.

Daily Prayers

1

Did You Know?

Today is a solemnity. It is called All Saints Day. This day was instituted by Pope George IV (827-844) as a day to commemorate, remember, and honor all those saints known and unknown. The Church decided to have a common feast day because most saints were traditionally recognized on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When the Christian persecutions increased in the late Roman Empire, there became an overwhelming number of saints to remember. Today we remember all those saints.

Dear God,

Today we begin a new month and celebrate the fruit of peace, and who better to emulate this fruit than the Saints we remember today on All Saints Day. God, thank you for the living saints who enrich our lives every day. We pray for those people who have touched our lives with their wisdom, kindness, and peaceful decisions, as well as those people whose saintly actions don't always get recognized. May we follow in Jesus' footsteps and be saints to the people we meet today, through our thoughts, words, and actions. Amen.

2

Did You Know?

Today the Church invites us to celebrate the 'Commemoration of all the Faithfully Departed.' We take the time to remember all of those who have gone before us and whose journey on earth has ended. We reflect on the reality of death, and the hope of eternal life. On this day many people throughout the world visit cemeteries and pray for their loved ones who have left them. Visiting and praying shows that we are still connected, even after death. Let us remember today all those who died, as well as the Communion of Saints who guide us in our lives each day.

Dear God,

Today we pray for our family members and friends who have died. We remember them with love. We remember how they made our lives better. We especially pray for all of those who have died bravely defending the rights of those who live without peace. May God welcome them into His Kingdom with open arms. Amen.

3

Heavenly Father,

Free us from the worries of trivial things, for sometimes we need your help to see the bigger picture. Help us to experience inner peace with God in our hearts, as we work and pray for peace throughout the world. Amen.

4

Lord,

Make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness joy. Amen.

5

Did You Know?

Today we remember St. Elizabeth. She was the mother of St. John the Baptist, the wife of Zachariah and the first cousin to Mary. Not much is known about St. Elizabeth, but she has the distinction of being one of the first to know about Mary's great blessing!

Peaceful God,

As the full moon brightly reflects the light of the sun, you reflected the glory of the Messiah with John the Baptist. Elizabeth and Zachariah walked with all your commandments. Help us, peaceful God, to reflect your love to the world and to continue to walk in your commandments. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

6

Dear God,

Help us give special witness to those we meet today. Remind us that we are your witnesses to the world. What we do for other people speaks to the world. We try to do our best, but sometimes we fall short. The opportunities for good present themselves every day; help us to look for these opportunities today. Teach us to be gracious winners, as well as gracious losers, acting with peace, love, and integrity always. Amen.

7

Lord,

Today we pray for our Prime Minister and all leaders in government, that they may be effective in achieving peace and eliminating hardships throughout the world. Lord, give them the strength to find their inner peace when making decisions each day. Amen.

8

Dear God,

Today we pray for comfort and support to all those who suffer. We pray for calmness in our streets, cities, and country, so that people may go about their lives in safety and peace. Amen.

9

Father,

The words we speak are important, but they are empty without actions to back them up. Sometimes we say all the right things, but we do not live our lives like we believe what we say. Remind us that even small acts of kindness do much more than a thousand empty words. Help us live out our gifts of the Holy Spirit when interacting with our friends and family. Amen.

10

Dear God,

Often our lives are so busy and complicated that outward circumstances and pressures from our friends and family can become overbearing and too much to handle. Give us the strength to use the gift of peace to find tranquility within our own hearts, so that our souls can rest in relationship with you. Amen.

11

Did You Know?

Today is the memorial of Saint Martin of Tours. He was born in either 315 or 316 in Pannonia, a Roman province in present day Hungary. Saint Martin was named after Mars, the God of war, meaning the 'brave and courageous.' When he was 15 he joined the Roman army. While stationed as a soldier Martin met a beggar at the gate of a town who was cold and very poor. Martin instantly cut off a piece of his cloak and gave it to the beggar. Later that night Martin had a dream where Jesus came and visited him, and thanked him for doing this deed. When Martin awoke his cloak was completely intact, as if no piece had ever been taken out of it. Martin got baptized the very next day and became a Christian. Martin then left the army and became a monk. He worked the rest of his life trying to convert people to Christianity, and in 371 became Bishop of Tours. He also began the first monastery in France. Saint Martin of Tours is the patron saint of soldiers, horses, riders, beggars, and the impoverished. Saint Martin died in 397, and we remember him today on November 11th, as well as all the soldiers who have fought for peace, and for those who continue to fight for peace in our world.

Heavenly Father,

Today we remember all of those who have fought and who are still fighting for peace and freedom around the world. So often we do not see the effects of war and violence. Help us to appreciate the freedom we have, because of the sacrifices of so many. St. Martin of Tours was an advocate of the poor, soldier, and a model for Christians. Lord, protect our soldiers at all times. Help make them always strong, just, and charitable as they continue to aim and establish peace on earth. Amen.

12

Dear God,

Respect and development of human life requires peace. Peace is not merely the absence of war. Peace cannot be attained on earth without safeguarding each person and respecting each other's dignity. Peace is the work of justice and the effect of charity. Help us to be more like you, by respecting each other regardless of our differences. Amen.

13

Dear God,

You sent us your son to bring your peace to the world. Help us to work for peace in our school, our home, and our world. Protect all soldiers and bring them home safely to their families. Grant peace to those who may be grieving for a loved one lost to violence. May the peace of Christ be with them always. Amen.

14

Lord,

Today we pray for all leaders in our church. We pray that they may lead us to deeper faith in God and a stronger love for others in our quest to live in harmony with one another. Guide us in our quest to be leaders of peace in our own lives, through our interactions with others. Amen.

15

Peaceful Father,

Many times we use our words to build ourselves up. How much louder we could speak if we could let our actions be our voice. Help us to follow the example of our Blessed Mother by letting our actions speak of peace, love and justice. Amen.

16

Dear God,

Blessed are the peacemakers who try to prevent violence, hostility, injustice, and strife. Help us to be more like You by looking for ways each day to be peacemakers in our own lives so that we may be worthy to be called Your children. Amen.

17

God,

Teach me the ways of justice. War only promotes war, and fights cause more fights. When we have conflict at school, sometimes I do nothing about it. Teach me to act justly so that I may be a peacemaker in my world. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Amen.

18

Dear God,

You taught us the importance of making peace instead of fighting. You taught us to “Love our neighbors as we do ourselves.” We pray today for those people and friends in our lives with whom we may be fighting. Give us the strength and courage to work out our differences. Help us to follow your examples of fairness and love. Amen.

19

Heavenly Father,

Help us to recognize that there is more grace in our world than sin, and that hope is essential in facing all challenges. Give us the strength to make a difference, and the peace, knowledge and wisdom to make good choices, and to do what is right. Amen.

20

Lord,

We are created in your image and likeness. Help us demonstrate a confident and positive sense of self, while respecting the welfare and dignity of others. Teach us to promote equality, democracy, and solidarity, so that we may have a more just, peaceful and compassionate world. Amen.

21

Dear God,

So often it is our differences that cause war, injustice, and strife in our world today. Give us the strength and wisdom to understand that these differences are what make us unique. Let us celebrate our uniqueness with each other and the world, in the hope that we will all gain a better understanding of what acceptance is, so that we may live in peace and harmony with each other. Amen.

22

Peaceful God,

Sometimes it is hard to make good decisions, for many of us lack the courage to stand up for what is right and just. Sometimes it is easier to follow the crowd and to let others make our decisions for us. Lord, give us the courage to do what is right, and the strength to help those who cannot speak for themselves. Help us to live our lives by example, just as you have taught us. We are in control of our own lives and how we live it. Help us to be more like you. Amen.

23

Dear God,

The crucifix is a symbol of the injustice suffered by Jesus who was nailed to the cross and left to die. Let the crucifix be a reminder to us each day, of the need to act justly and peacefully in our dealings when working with others. Allow us to accept difference of opinions when working with our friends, and give us the strength to choose just and peaceful solutions, instead of using hurtful words or exclusion to solve our problems. Amen.

24

Heavenly Father,

Today let us pray for the staff and students of our school. Help us to treat each other with respect and dignity through our actions and words, so that we may live peacefully in communion with each other. Amen.

25

Dear God,

Help us to turn from evil and do good. Today, let us reflect on the little things in life that create a more peaceful world. Saying please and thank you, holding a door open for someone, or helping someone who looks hurt or lonely are all example of how we can do good deeds today. As children of God, it is our duty to maintain a peaceful world. Help us to not only find peace, but to seek it, pursue it, and live it. Amen.

26

Father in Heaven,

Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference. Help me to live one day at a time; enjoy one moment at a time, and help me to accept and realize that there will be hardships along my pathway to salvation with God. Amen.

27

God,

Today we pray that everyone gets along with each other. We pray that we get along at recess and that we include others in our play. If we have disagreements, give us the courage to solve our problems the way you have taught us. Help us to become better peacemakers and followers of Christ. Amen.

28

Dear God,

The world says for us to hate; You command us to love. The world says for us to hurt and destroy; You say for us to create and give life. The world says for us to seek revenge; You encourage us to forgive. Lord give us strength and wisdom so that we may be able to listen to and follow Your word and Your teachings, today and always. Amen.

29

Peaceful Father,

In order to achieve peace with others, we must first be at peace with ourselves. Peace starts with each individual. When we have inner peace we can be at peace with those around us. It is important that we take the time and effort to reflect on our own state of mind, as well as our own relationship with God. Give us the strength to admit our wrong doings through confession, for when we sin we deprive ourselves of God's grace. Help us acknowledge our sins, repent, and ask God for forgiveness so that grace can be restored to our souls. Amen.

30

Dear God

As we reflect back on this month, we remember all that you have taught us about justice in the world. We remember that it is 'our time' to make a difference, and to stand up for what is right. The responsibility of growing up in a more peaceful world is up to us. Help us to treat each other with respect, make fair decisions, include others when they feel left out, and to work towards building a more peaceful, school, community and world. You are the ultimate role model for peace and justice, and we know how our world should be. Let us be Your instruments of peace in our dealings with others, for we are Your children. Amen.

Prayer Service / Non Eucharistic Liturgy



Non Eucharistic Symbols

Crucifix: Symbol of injustice suffered by Jesus who was nailed to the cross and left to die. It reminds us to be just in our dealings with others.

Poppy: Symbol of peace, know that if we want peace we have to work for justice. The poppy reminds us of our veterans who sacrificed their lives so we could live in peace and freedom.

Paper Dove Carrying an Olive Branch: Symbol of perpetual peace. The dove brought with it a piece of an olive branch when it returned to the ark to let Noah know that the waters had stopped.

Candle: To symbolize the eternal flame of peace, and hope in the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Opening Prayer Gathering

Dear Lord,

We gather today to celebrate peace. These days we are bombarded by images of war, violence, injustice, and persecution. It may not be happening in our own backyard, but we are all affected by it, and we all want it to stop. By being peaceful we learn the importance of being just and fair with the people in our lives, through our actions and words when we interact with them. We learn that it is important to listen to other people's view points before judging, and that it is okay that we are different from each other, yet equal in the eyes of God. As we pray today we ask God to give us the courage, not only to recognize the injustices in our world today, but to stand up and be the call for change in our quest to live in peace with ourselves, each other, our world, and our God. Let us think about how Jesus calls us to live His message, by praying for peace, by working for peace, and through becoming peace makers, for we are all children of God.

Amen.



Old Testament Reading Ecclesiastes 3.1-9

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes.

Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses. He sets the time for birth and the time for death, the time for planting and the time for pulling up, the time for killing and the time for healing, the time for tearing down and the time for building. He sets the time for sorrow and the time for joy, the time for mourning and the time for dancing, the time for making love and the time for not making love, the time for kissing and the time for not kissing. He sets the time for finding and the time for losing, the time for saving and the time for throwing away, the time for tearing and a time for mending, the time for silence and the time for talk. He sets the time for love and the time for hate, the time for war and the time for peace.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*



Responsorial Psalm Psalm 34

The response to the psalm is “*Show us the way great Prince of Peace.*”

I will always thank the Lord; I will never stop praising him.

I will praise him for what he has done; may all who are oppressed listen and be glad.

Proclaim with me the Lord’s greatness; let us praise his name together. *R*

I prayed to the Lord, and he answered me; he freed me from my fears.

The oppressed look to him and are glad; they will never be disappointed.

The helpless call to him, and he answers, he saves them from all their troubles.

His angel guards those who honour the Lord and rescues them from danger. *R*

The Lord watches over the righteous and listens to their cries, but he opposes those who do evil, so that when they die they are soon forgotten.

The righteous call to the Lord, and he listens; he rescues them from all their troubles.

The Lord is near to those who are discouraged; he saves those who have lost all hope. *R*



Second Reading (Optional) 1 Peter 3.8-13

A reading from the first letter of Peter

To conclude: you must all have the same attitude and the same feelings; love one another as brothers, and be kind and humble with one another. Do not pay back evil with evil or cursing with cursing; instead pay back with a blessing, because a blessing is what God promised to give you when he called you. As the scriptures says, “Whoever wants to enjoy life and wishes to see good times, must keep from speaking evil and stop telling lies. He must turn away from evil and do good; he must strive for peace with all his heart. For the Lord watches over the righteous and listens to their prayers; but he opposes those who do evil.”

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*



Gospel Reading Matthew 5.1-13

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus saw the crowds and went up a hill, where he sat down. His disciples gathered ‘round him, and he began to teach them: “Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor; the kingdom of heaven belongs to them! Happy are those who mourn; God will comfort them! “Happy are those who are humble; they will receive what God has promised! Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires; God will satisfy them fully! Happy are those who are merciful to others; God will be merciful to them! Happy are the pure in heart; they will see God! Happy are those who work for peace; God will call them his children! Happy are those who were persecuted because they do what God requires; the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.*



Optional Activities

Paper Dove: Bring forth a paper dove carrying the olive branch. The dove is a symbol of perpetual peace. Have students write down an ‘action’ that they can do to help bring about more peace in their own lives, class, school, community, or world.



Poppy: Present a poppy (either actual or homemade by students) to symbolize those who are fighting for peace, and those who continue to sacrifice their lives to bring about a greater good for others.

Clock: Students can bring forth numbers to build a clock face at the altar to symbolize that their time is now to bring about good, peace, friendship, and change in their lives in the hope of creating a better and more peaceful world.



Closing Prayer

Dear Lord,

After listening to your stories and sharing our ideas, we learned that peace is the foundation of a just and fair world. You sent Your son Jesus into our world so that we may experience peace. Help lead us and give us the strength we need to live our lives in just and peaceful ways as children of God. Help us to put aside our differences, and seek unity with each other as we work for peace in our own lives and in our world today. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Possible Song Recommendations

Liturgical

Non-Liturgical

Companions On The Journey

Imagine ~ John Lennon

One Tin Soldier

Hands ~ Jewel

Whatsoever You Do (CBWII 717)

The Rising ~ Bruce Springsteen

Prayer of St. Francis (CBWII 698)

Let it Be ~ The Beatles

Peace is Flowing Like a River

We Shall Be Free ~ Garth Brooks

From a Distance ~ Bette Midler

Waiting on the World to Change ~ John Mayer

We Are the World ~ Michael Jackson

Don't Laugh at Me ~ Mark Wills

What's Going On ~ Marvin Gaye








True Colours ~ Cyndi Lauper

With My Own Two Hands ~ Jack Johnson

One Tribe ~ Black Eyed Peas

Universal Prayer

Response: *Peaceful Lord, hear our prayer.*

-  For our Holy Father on earth, all the bishops and clergy everywhere, that they may lead us to deeper faith in God and a stronger love for others in our journey to live in peace and harmony with each other, we pray. *R*
-  For women, men and children who suffer daily from the effects of war, violence, and lack of justice in our world, we pray. *R*
-  For the world, that the peace of Christ may take root in every human heart, and put an end to all forms of greed, violence and division, we pray. *R*
-  For the people of our own community, and those in our school. Help us carry the light of God's peace to all people and to all those we meet, we pray. *R*
-  For those who are sick and those who are dying. May they experience the touch of Your deep peace during their time of suffering, we pray. *R*
-  For the staff and students of our school and for all those who guide us in our Catholic faith. May we have the wisdom and courage to preach and live the peace of Christ's Gospel, we pray. *R*
-  That through the grace of Jesus, we may open our own hearts to His peace and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray. *R*

Curriculum Connections

Primary

ML2.3: Identify the different actions that we are capable of doing as human beings (e.g. natural actions such as eating, sleeping, running, etc.) and those actions that we are able to think about (i.e. use our reason) before we act and that have consequences of being good or harmful to others and to ourselves.

[CCC nos.1777-1782] (Grade 1)

ML3: Demonstrate an understanding of the nature of sin and our human capacity to choose to commit actions which do not show love for God or neighbour (i.e. personal sin, and social sin).

[CCC nos. 1846-1876] (Grade 3)

Junior

LS1.3: Identify those individuals in society who exercise legitimate authority, who work and care for the good of all people and explain why their role is important for the proper functioning of the human community.

[CC nos. 1897-1904] (Grade 4)

ML2.3: Apply a Catholic model of moral decision-making (i.e. SEE, JUDGE, and ACT) to ethical issues that arise at school or in the world (bullying, fighting, failing to do homework, and disrespecting authority).

[CCC nos. 1749-1785] (Grade 6)

Intermediate

LS2.2: Describe the forms of solidarity which can effectively address socio-economic problems (i.e. poor among themselves, between rich and poor, among workers, employers and employees, etc.) and explain through example how these forms of solidarity can promote social change (communal conversion of society) and respect for the common good.

[CCC nos. 356-384; 1928-1933; 1391-1401] (Grade 7)

LS2: Focus: Principle of Rights and Responsibilities

Understand that the principles of responsibility and participation in society are Christian social virtues, which call us to roles of leadership, to evangelize through our witness of the Gospel and through the promotion of social justice in the world.

[CCC nos. 1877-1948] (Grade 8)

Bulletin Board Ideas



Peace Maker & Peace Breaker Bulletin Board

- o Brainstorm words that represent 'peace makers' & 'peace breakers'.
- o Divide bulletin board in two sections.
- o Peace Maker Words (ex. Listen, share, work hard, say I'm sorry, be nice). Pin to bulletin board with a peace sign.
- o Peace Breaker Words (ex. Unkind, don't recycle, talk out of turn, hurtful words, hands-on). Pin to bulletin board with a peace sign broken or cut in half.



Peace Pledge

- o Have students make a pledge for peace on a white paper dove (symbol of perpetual peace).
- o Pin on bulletin board and entitle 'Our Pledges for Peace'.
- o Pledge should be an 'action' and can be used in relation with this month's non-Eucharistic prayer service.



We're Giving Peace a Hand

- o Title bulletin board "We're Giving Peace a Hand".
- o Have students make hand prints using paint on white paper.
- o Once it dries, have them write something they will do to promote peace.



People of Peace Board (Biography)

- o Research a person who worked for peace or greater justice in our world. Write a short biography of what that person did, and the contribution to a more peaceful and just society. Create a bulletin board entitled "People of Peace" and display biographies.
 - Martin Luthur King Jr.
 - Dalai Lama
 - Nelson Mandela
 - Mohandas Gandhi
 - Confucius
 - Jesus Christ
 - Mother Teresa
 - Abraham Lincoln
 - Buddha
 - Eleanor Roosevelt

Quotes

Religious



“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.”
~ Matthew 5.9



“But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.”
~ Luke 6.27



“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” ~ John 14.27



“Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.”
~ 2 Corinthians 13.11



“Turn from evil and do good, seek peace and pursue it.”
~ Psalm 34.14



“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” ~ Romans 15.13



“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.” ~ Colossians 3.15



“Do onto others, as you would have them do unto you.” ~ Luke 6.31



“I believe; help my unbelief!” ~ Mark 9.23.24

Non-Religious



“Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal.” ~ Martin Luther King Jr.



“What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.”
~ Mother Teresa



“An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind.” ~ Gandhi



“Peace begins with a smile.” ~ Mother Teresa



“When the power of love overcomes the love of power; the world will know peace.”
~ Jimi Hendrix

Short Resource List

- ❖ The Peace Book – Todd Parr (P)
- ❖ Don't Laugh At Me – Steve Seskin, and Allen Shamblin (P/J)
- ❖ One – Kathryn Otoshi (P/J)
- ❖ Henry's Freedom Box – Ellen Levine (J/I)
- ❖ The Harmonica – Tony Johnston (J/I)
- ❖ Boy in the Striped Pajamas – John Boyne (I)
- ❖ When Stories Fall Like Shooting Stars – Gregory Valiska (P/J)
- ❖ Clancy the Courageous Cow – David McKee (P)
- ❖ What Does Peace Feel Like? – Vladimir Raduansky (P/J/I)
- ❖ Hannah's Suitcase: A True Story – Albert Whiteman (I)
- ❖ We are All Born Free: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Pictures – Francis Lincoln (P/J/I)
- ❖ Peace Begins with You – Katharine Scholes (P/J/I)
- ❖ One Thousand Paper Cranes: The Story of Sadako and the Children's Peace Statue – Ishii Takayuki (P/J/I)
- ❖ Peace One Day – Jeremy Gilley (J)

