



Hello Little Church Members It's Monday of Holy Week

As you know we call this week **Holy Week** because it is the week we remember some very important things. These are:

1. How Jesus gave us a way of remembering him when he took some bread and wine at a meal and said '*this is my body, this is my blood, do this in memory of me*'. We do the same as Jesus and his disciples every time we come to Mass.
2. How Jesus was put to **death on a cross** that he had to carry out of the city of Jerusalem and up the hill of Calvary.
3. How even though they had seen Jesus die on the cross; his friends were astonished on Sunday morning when they went to visit his tomb to discover that he had **Risen to Life**.

Other things went on before these three very important events and today we can think about one of them. This was when Jesus got angry while visiting the Temple.

Here's what happened:



When Jesus entered Jerusalem with people, especially children waving palm branches and singing Hosanna, he went to the Temple. When he looked around he could see that it had been turned into a noisy market with people selling things for much more than they were worth and bankers being unfair changing people's money. They were taking advantage of people who needed these things to help them pray in the Temple and they could not get them anywhere else. This made Jesus angry. He used a rope that was tied around his waist as a whip and charged around shouting "You have turned God's house into a market!" and he kicked over the

tables and chased the traders out of the temple.

There is a colour in picture of this on the Family Church at Home page of the parish website. <https://www.newmanparishwarrington.com/family-church/>

After colouring this picture find a quiet place to think and pray:

Can you find some coins? Pass them around and HOLD one in your hand and think about what happened in the Temple.

- What does it look like, smell like, what do you see? What do you notice?
- The Money Changers and sellers made it expensive for ordinary people to come and pray, especially people from other countries.
- Think about the things that sometimes get in the way of your prayers. Could it be things like video games, perhaps and what else?
- As you hold your coin, TALK to God about these things.
- Ask Jesus to help you put aside the things that sometimes stop you from praying.