

Intentional and Prophetic

Intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.

What does this mean?

Catholic schools help their pupils grow by being a school community which is intentional in its way of proceeding to build-up quality of life; and which is prophetic in the way it offers an alternative vision of education and the human person rooted in the gospel.

Pray it



Linking **Intentional & Prophetic** to prayers of the Church and Liturgical Season.

Prayer suggestions and activities: -

- On our Diocesan Feast Day (3rd March), we pray for Archbishop Bernard, the Bishops and Clergy as they lead in their ministry, proclaiming the Good News.
- We pray for all women that they can be inspired by the example of Mary. (Especially The Annunciation 25th March)
- We pray for the Needy and the Hungry of the World, that the earth's resources are shared fairly and used responsibly. (Especially on CAFOD Family Fast Day 27 February)
- We pray for those who are candidates for the Sacraments, that they may use their gifts for others.
- Examine your conscience. How do you set an example to others? What kind of person are you being called to be?
- Reflect upon the Beatitudes and what Jesus is asking of each of us. Pray that this message reaches those in power locally, nationally and globally so that they intentionally make decisions that impact positively on others.

Please see the Liturgy Office website for prayers related to the season.
<https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/>

Explore it



Linking **Intentional & Prophetic** to scripture, meaning and teachings of the Church, Pope Leo XIV and the Saints.

Scripture to Explore: -

- Temptation in the Wilderness (Luke 4: 1-13) - Jesus was intentional when he was in the desert and resisted the devil. How do you resist temptation?
- Matthew 17:1-9 His face shone like the sun. Jesus reveals his glory on the mountain and invites the disciples to listen to him. How do you intentionally make time to listen to God and reflect his light to others?
- John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38 – He went and washed and received his sight. Jesus brings sight to the blind man, who then bravely speaks the truth. How can you be prophetic in standing up for what is right?
- Explore the life of St. Chad and how he inspired others in faith. How can you be a modern day missionary disciple with the intention of sharing the Good News today?
- Explore Fratelli Tutti by Pope Francis. (<https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Fratelli-Tutti-for-schools>) How can we use and share the resources of the earth for the benefit of all?

Live it



Linking **Intentional & Prophetic** to the way we can choose to live our lives to serve God and to serve others.

Activities and challenges: -

- Just as St. Chad taught others about Jesus, How can you do the same this Lent?
- Pray, fast, give are three words we hear in Lent. What challenges can you set yourself to live in an intentional way, setting a good example for others.
- Just as the father in the Prodigal Son forgave his son, how can you forgive others who hurt you?
- Newman wrote 'We all have some definite service'. How can you choose to live your life intentionally to serve God and to serve others?
- Find out who the candidates for the Sacraments are in your Parish. Send them a postcard/prayer. As part of the Year of Reading, learn about different cultures around the world and share what you discover with others. Take part in Mission Together's *Words for Our World* challenge:
<https://missiontogether.org.uk/words-for-our-world/>



Sunday Gospels to Explore

Gospels reflective of **Intentional & Prophetic** highlighted

Sun 22 February	Matthew 4:1-11 Jesus fasts for forty days and is tempted
Sun 1 March	Matthew 17:1-9 His face shone like the sun
Sun 8 March	John 4:5-15 A spring of water welling up to eternal life
Sun 15 March	John 9:1,6-9, 13-17, 34-38 He went and washed and received his sight
Sun 22 March	John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 I am the resurrection and the life

Sing it



Linking **Intentional & Prophetic** to traditional and contemporary music.

- [Do not be afraid](#) — Gerald Markland
- [Be not afraid](#) — Robert J Dufford
- [Oh the Word of my Lord](#) — Damien Lundy
- [Father I have sinned](#) — Fr Eugene O Reilly & CJM
- [This is my desire](#) — Hillsong
- [Change my heart Oh God](#) — Eddie Espinosa
- [Be thou my vision](#) — Dallán Forgaill



Further explore Intentional & Prophetic by reading The Jesuit Publication found;

<https://www.jesuitinstitute.org/find-resources/jpp/intentional-prophetic>

Picture It

Linking **Intentional & Prophetic** to artwork.



The Temptation in the Wilderness
Briton Rivière 1898

Read Luke 4: 1-13:

What do you think Jesus is thinking and feeling in this painting?
What do you think has happened before this painting?

Represent this piece of scripture through a variety of mediums such as making a collage, drawing or painting.