

Official Prayer from the Year of the Word

Living God,
you walk alongside us
and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit
to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be your witnesses through-
out the world.
Amen

Your word is our path
and your truth is our light.
This day and every day.

Our Lady of the
Annunciation
Pray for us
St Matthew
Pray for us
St Jerome
Pray for us



Closing Prayers

Adult:

Loving God,
help us to listen to you
as you speak into our hearts
and into our lives,
through the messages of your Holy Bi-
ble.

Child:

Dear God,
when we listen to Bible stories
let us remember it is your words
we are hearing.
May they lead us to be the best we can
be.

Together:

May this special year bring us closer to
our God who speaks to us, and togeth-
er, let us celebrate, live and share
God's word.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen

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Scripture Sacks



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Holding Cross

Tealight or battery candle

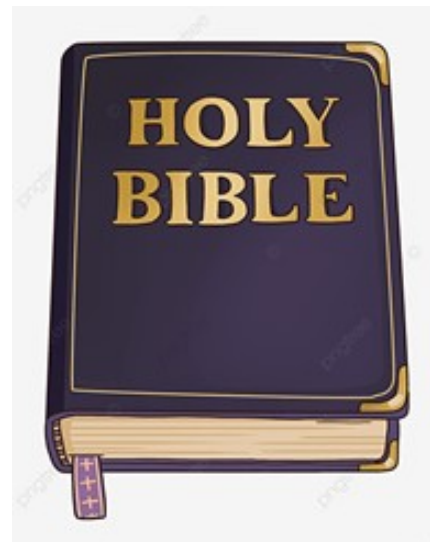
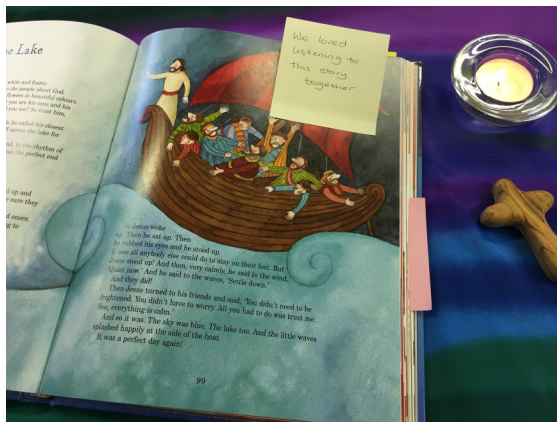
The Lion Storyteller Bible

Post-it notes

Class Scripture Sack Notebook

Christians believe that God speaks to us through the Bible, the Scriptures. Throughout this Year we are exploring new ways to look at the Bible and to listen to the God Who Speaks.

Sharing a Bible story as a family is a special way to bring God's word into our homes and deepen our understanding and love of the Scriptures.



On the night you have the bag in your home please:

Set up a special place for the Bible with the contents of the bag.

Choose a Bible story or passage together. You may wish to light the candle while you read and listen.

Ask your child/ren what they thought about the story. You may wish to write a post-it note to stick in the Scripture Sack Reflection Book, with any thoughts or comments or an illustration of the story.

The holding cross can be held while saying the Year of the Word prayer and the Closing Prayers.

Optional - you may want to write a short family prayer based on the story read—that the children can share as a class.

If you are of a different faith—it would be wonderful if you could include / share a verse / teaching / story from your Sacred Book that can be shared with your class.

The following morning pack away the Bible Bag and return it to school for the next family to take home.