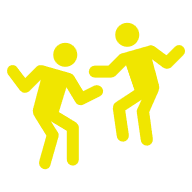
**Jubilee Celebration Day**

***We can lead this too*!**

Celebration of the word for primary schools

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**Theme:** Jubilee Year, hope, faith

**Purpose**: For children to celebrate the impact of the Jubilee Year as Pilgrims of Hope.

**Materials required**: Accompanying PowerPoint, copy of prayers/script for readers, print out and distribute Jubilee Postcards of Hope

**Suggested choice of hymns**:

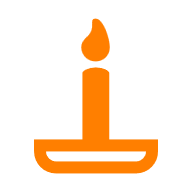
* Joy/hope is flowing like a river
* Walk with me, O my Lord
* Servant King

**Additional resources for Celebration Day:**

[Jubilee Celebration Day](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee-schools/jubilee-celebration-day)

* Jubilee Celebration Day film, part of the World Youth Sunday Livestream for Schools
* Jubilee journalling activity for primary schools
* Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope song

Have you made your Jubilee Pledge yet? Find resources to support you: [Jubilee pledge for schools](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee-schools/jubilee-pledge)

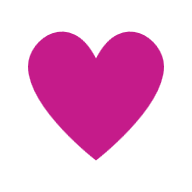
**Time allocation:** 20 minutes

***Gather:*** *We come together as part of God’s family*

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| **Slide** | **Script** |
|  | **Reader:** In the name of the +Father, and of the +Son, and of the +Holy Spirit Amen.  **Reader:** Today is Jubilee Celebration Day!  We gather together to celebrate and give thanks for all we have achieved as a Catholic school community in this Jubilee Year.  Pope Francis asked us to celebrate with ‘deep faith, lively hope and active charity.’  And just look what has happened!  We are one of more than 1,000 schools that made a Jubilee Pledge, a long-term commitment to Catholic Social Teaching and global solidarity. |
|  | Today we will also look ahead with renewed hope as we plan to live out our Jubilee Pledge to build a better world.  Let us remind ourselves about the Jubilee Year, and what Pope Francis asked us all to do.  [Pilgrims of Hope film](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HpSL4lstmrM&t=1s) |

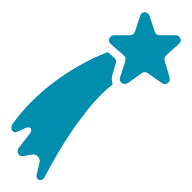
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Gather:*** *God speaks to us, and we listen*

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| **Slide** | **Script (Luke 4: 16-)** |
|  | **Reader: *[Choose to read either the extended version, or the short version which is in bold.]***  Then Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath he went as usual to the synagogue. He stood up to read the Scriptures and was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it is written,  **“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,     because he has chosen me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives     and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed    and announce that the time has come     when the Lord will save his people.”**  Jesus rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. All the people in the synagogue had their eyes fixed on him, as he said to them, “This passage of scripture has come true today, as you heard it being read.”  They were all well impressed with him and marvelled at the eloquent words that he spoke. They said, “Isn't he the son of Joseph?”  The Gospel of the Lord.  *All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.* |

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***Respond:*** *We respond to the Word of God*

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| **Slide** | **Script** |
|  | You may like to spend some time in sacred silence…  **Reader:** Jesus makes it clear that his mission is to bring the justice and freedom of the Jubilee.  Inspired by his example, we have worked hard this year to help build a better world – a world of justice, peace and love.  Think about your Jubilee journey.  How have you been a sign of hope this year? |
|  | Let us now think about all the ways we have put love into action.  **Reader:** This Jubilee Year has inspired us all to stand in solidarity with our global sisters and brothers and to work for a world where everyone can flourish. |
|  | **Reader:** We have shared hope in the way we remembered our local and global family. People like Khera in Kenya.  This year we learned about how Khera is part of the Glitter Group who raise and sell chickens to make a living. |
|  | **Reader:** We have shared hope in the way we prayed for peace and justice around the world. |
|  | **Reader:** We have shared hope in the way we took action in our local community. |
|  | **Reader:** We have shared hope in the way we raised money by walking, baking or dressing up. |
|  | **Reader:** We have shared hope in the way joined the Cancel Debt, Choose Hope campaign to speak out on the issue of unfair global debt. |

***Send:*** *We will go forward with renewed hope!*

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| **Slide** | **Script** |
|  | **Reader:** Our Jubilee journey has not come to and end. It is just the beginning!  In the Jubilee Pledge we made a promise to be agents of change, working together for justice and peace, locally and globally.  We want to build a fairer world, where every person, and the earth, can flourish.  How can we continue to live out our Jubilee Pledge with renewed hope?  **Reader(s):**  Let us continue to share the light of hope and the message of God’s love.  As Pilgrims of Hope we can:   * Pray together * Learn about the world around us and raise awareness * Taking action through fundraising for CAFOD |
|  | [**Postcards of hope**](https://cafod365.sharepoint.com/sites/int/Education/SectionOrg/Jubilee%202025/Celebration%20Day/Resources/Edu_Jubilee_PostcardsofHope.pdf)  Write or draw how you will live out the Jubilee Pledge and build a better world on the postcards of hope. |
|  | **Reader:** Let us say the Jubilee prayer for schools together:  God, our loving Father,  In this Jubilee year,  you remind us of our call to love creation.  Help us to work together  to replant, repair, and renew.  Guide us on our journey as pilgrims of hope.  Jesus, our light,  In this Jubilee year,  you remind us of our call to love our neighbours  and to set free those who suffer.  Help us to treat everyone with dignity;  to be fair, forgiving and kind.  Guide us on our journey as pilgrims of hope.  Holy Spirit, our inspiration,  In this Jubilee year, you remind us of our call to grow in faith and love.  Help us to hear you in scripture, to see Jesus in others,  and to be united as God’s global family.  Guide us on our journey as pilgrims of hope.  Amen |
|  | Where we go next as pilgrims of hope is up to us!  Let's continue the journey!  A better world needs all of us. |