CALLED TO TRUST

God is always already at work



God is bigger than this crisis. Than any crisis. He is already working in the world, in and around us. We are called to do his work, but we can trust in the fact that He is there with us, every step of the way. We can take comfort in the fact that God is always already at work, before us.

Our actions have a ripple effect. Even actions that seem small *do* contribute to change. Let us be prophets of hope and light in the world. There is no doubt that, sometimes, being a Christian is hard. We are called to make choices and sacrifices so that we do not live to serve ourselves, but to serve God and others.



Reflection Point



There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear. -St John (1 John 4.18).



- : What do you think St John means by this?
- · What does it tell us about love?
- · What does it tell us about fear?

Activity

Write your own creed

A group of young Catholics met regularly online during lockdown to share, learn and pray. They then wrote their own creed, to bring together their thoughts, feelings, and beliefs:

We believe...

- ...In young people and our responsibility in standing for justice and making change
- ...In a church that is outward looking inspired by a faith that calls us to action
- ...In the value of creation and the need to protect it
- ...Leaders need to understand their own people and seek to care for the most vulnerable
- ...In the beauty of diversity, the value of inclusivity and the need to foster it
- ...In the power of collective community, listening and learning from one another
- ...All of this is underpinned by our belief and trust in our creator God.



Think back over the previous units and reflect on what you've learned and how you've grown in faith. As a group or on your own, write your own creed.

Perhaps this could be shared with the wider community - you need to be celebrated!

Prayer:

Thomas Merton Prayer:

MY LORD GOD, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

