

Home Collective Worship – Monday 15th June



Candle Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for being the light of the world.

May the light shine brightly in your world.

Thank you for being the light of our lives.

May the light shine brightly in our lives.

Today, we are thinking about gratitude and a young man's courageous attitude when he suffered a major setback in his life.



Do you recognise the two men in the photo or know what sport they are famous for?

The man on the right is Lewis Hamilton and the man on the left is Billy Monger.

They are both racing drivers.



Billy grew up wanting to be like his hero Lewis Hamilton, a Formula 1 racing driver.

He started driving around racing tracks as a young boy and by the time he was 17, he was recognized as a promising driver with a great future ahead of him. He was so fast that he was known as Billy Whizz.

When Billy was only 17 years old, he had a terrible accident on the race track. He was rushed to hospital and lost both of his legs.



Here is Billy in hospital, shortly after the accident. Billy could have been feeling very sad about his accident and the fact it would be difficult to race at the level again. But his attitude was amazing. He did not feel sorry for himself and instead said, "I will focus on what I can do and not on what I can't do."

Before long, Billy had the opportunity to race again in a specially adapted car. Less than a year after the accident, Billy was back on the podium as a successful racer.



Reflection

Billy's words are useful to remember as we have had to stay at home for a long time now. I know that some of you have found it difficult at times. His words are wise in any situation where we have to adapt to our new circumstances. Think about what you can do and not about what you can't do.

Prayer

Dear Lord,

Thank you for all the things that I have.

Let me learn to be grateful for them, appreciate them and see them as the special things they really are.

Help me to remember how lucky I am even when I cannot do everything that I want at the moment.

Amen.

Hymn: Don't be Grumpy!

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