# Reflections and Prayers wb: 06.10.25 Creation – You are Unique!

#### Reflection 1 – Unique in School

Good morning; may the Lord be with you. (Response) And also with you.

-What does it mean to be Unique?

The Bible reminds us that each of us is Unique, Individual and made as God wants us to be. We're not perfect, we mess up, but God loves us for who we are, no matter how much we fail, and he encourages us to value and love one another in the same way.

In John, chapter 13, verses 34-35 Jesus says,

- 'A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another'.
- How easy do you find it to value the unique people around you at St Michael's? (Treating them with Dignity and Respect!?)
- -What difference could it make if we really valued each other in this way?

#### Prayer 1

### Let us pray:

Father God.

We thank you that you love us, and that we are part of your family. We pray that you would show us how to love everyone around us, with a love that endures all things. Protect those around us; and keep them safe. Amen.

## Reflection 2 - Unique at Home

Good morning; may the Lord be with you. (Response) And also with you.

-How do you get on with your parents/carers/brothers & sisters/relatives?

Sometimes it's hard to get on with those closest to us, but it's important we remember that they too are unique and loved by God. In Colossians, chapter 3, verse 13, we read,

'Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you'.

- -What does it mean for us to forgive as Jesus forgave us?
- -How could you 'bear with people' at home more?
- -What effects could this have?

## Prayer 2

#### Let us pray:

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for sending Jesus who offers us not only forgiveness and freedom from all our sin, but amazing future hope too. Give us hearts that are ready and eager to forgive others, just as you forgive us. Help us, as we are deeply hurt by the words and actions of others, to fully appreciate your forgiveness. Amen.

### Reflection 3 - Unique in the world

Good morning; may the Lord be with you. (Response) And also with you.

-Consider, which areas of the world are in most need of help at the moment?

In Matthew 25, verses 37-40 Jesus says,

"Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison and go to visit you?"

'The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

All people around the whole world are unique and loved by God. Jesus reminds us that as we support these people God has created, we are serving him too.

- -How could we as a school better help those in need?
  - o In Chorley?
  - o In the UK?
  - o In the wider world?
- -Consider all the good things we have in our lives and perhaps this week thank God for some of them.

## Prayer 3

## Let us pray:

Father God.

We thank you that you created all things in this world. We are sorry for all the times we have dishonoured your creation or taken it for granted. Show us, how to help make this world the best it can be, and especially how we can best show your love to those in need. Amen.