

Pope Benedict XVI Big Assembly

Did you know?

The Pope is the leader of the Catholic Church.



Our current Pope is **Pope Francis**. He became the Pope in **March 2013** and is the first Pope from the **Americas**. **Pope Benedict XVI** was our previous Pope and he visited **Great Britain** in **September 2011**.

In a **visit** to the **UK**
Pope Benedict XVI
spoke to all the
children in **England**,
Wales and **Scotland**
who go to **Catholic**
Schools.



Future Saints

I hope that among those of you listening to me today are future saints of the twenty-first century.



Let me **explain** what I mean. When we are **young** we can usually think of **people** we look up to, people we **admire**, people we want to be like. It could be someone we meet in our **daily lives** that we hold in **great esteem**. Or it could be someone famous.



Future Saints

Are *you* willing to follow *Jesus*, to be guided by *His Spirit* in making present *His kingdom* of *justice* and *love*?



Big questions

My question for you is this:
What are the qualities
you see in others that
you would most like to have
yourselves?

What kind of person would you
really like to be?



This is what Oliver has to say...



I would like to be
a caring person
and sometimes be
nicer to others.



Carlos from El Salvador commented...



I want to be **brave**
like **Romero**, we
should be like him.
Oscar Romero was a
very **good man** and very
good to people.
He helped **rescue people**.

Amelia says...

Yesterday I was sitting on the bench alone and my friend Lilly came up and asked me to join her game. That was being thoughtful.



When Sorcha sent out invitations to her First Holy Communion she included a note saying...

...please don't bring any presents but if you would like to support CAFOD World Gifts and give children in poorer countries a pack to go to school, I would be very pleased.

42 school starter packs later, thanks to her family and friends, Sorcha has provided a wonderful example of how to do good in the world.



Having money
makes it possible
to do good in
the world



But on its own, **money** is not **enough** to make us **happy**. Many **people** never find **happiness** because they **look** for it in the **wrong places**.





"The key to it is very simple – true happiness is to be found in God."



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Task:

Create a collage (R.E) display, around the title :

“Living a saintly life”

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You can include pictures, painting, word art, poems or prayers and be as creative as you like! What does it mean to live a ‘saintly life’?



OR

“If you were the Pope, what messages would you give to children?” Prepare a speech to give to your class. In it make a link to one of Jesus’ stories or explain why it is important to follow God’s way.



Success Criteria:

- **Describe** the actions and beliefs of followers of God’s way.
- **Show understanding** of how religious belief has shaped the way some people live out their lives.
- **Describe and show** an understanding of scripture, beliefs, ideas, feelings and experience, **making links** between them.