

Welcome Words 1

This day may we know:

The compassion of God the Father,

The strength of God the Son,

The humility of God the Holy Spirit.

Welcome Words 2

We have gathered in the name of

God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

to worship together

and think about our value **respect**.

Acrostic Poem

Respect is....

Readiness to listen

Everyone being valued

Showing appreciation

Praying for people

Expressing opinions sensitively

Caring for our environment

Treating property carefully

A Prayer for Respect

Father God

Open our eyes to value and appreciate all people.

Help us to recognise what we have in common
and **respect** what makes each of us unique.

Amen.

Prayer for Special Places

Dear God

Make the churches in our town/village places,
which show your glory, houses of prayer and **respect** for you,
"Thin" places where heaven and earth seem very close.

Amen

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon:

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope

where there is darkness, light

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much

seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood, as to understand;

to be loved, as to love;

for it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

Amen