



Good morning
everyone!

Let us start our
assembly this morning
by each one of us
making the
sign of the cross.



The Sign of the cross
In the name of the Father,
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

The Lord be with you

AND WITH
YOUR SPIRIT.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up
to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the
Lord our God.

It is right and
just.

Welcome

Today we hear about a tiny little seed.

But when it is planted it grows into a big bush with branches big enough for all the birds to come and sit in.

Let's think a bit more about what Jesus was trying to say with this story

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34



Jesus went on to say, “The Kingdom of God is like this. A man scatters seed in his field. He sleeps at night, is up and about during the day, and all the while the seeds are sprouting and growing. Yet he does not know how it happens. The soil itself makes the plants grow and bear fruit.

“What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like?”
asked Jesus.

“What parable shall we use to explain it?

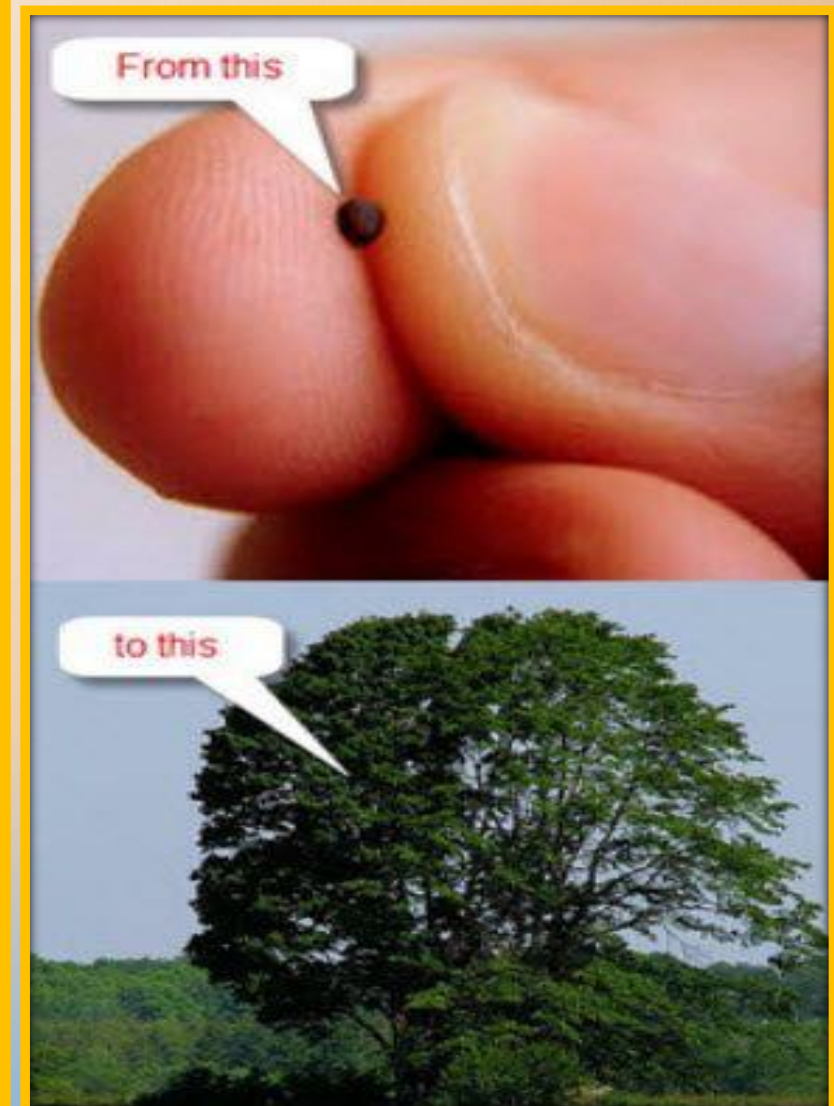
It is like this.

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

A man takes a mustard seed, the smallest seed in the world, and plants it in the ground. After a while it grows up and becomes the biggest of all plants. It puts out such large branches that the birds come and make their nests in its shade.”

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

All Response : PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST



Gospel reflection

What do you remember from today's reading?



In today's gospel, Jesus is trying to show what God's Kingdom is like. It's not easy to describe, so instead he tells stories so that we can try to imagine it.

We're going to think about the story of the mustard seed.

What do you remember about this story?

Gospel reflection



The mustard seed is a tiny little seed.

But it grows into a very big bush with very big branches.

Big enough for birds to be able to come and sit in to get out of the sun.

What do you think Jesus is trying to tell us?

Perhaps it's that the Kingdom of heaven is also always growing, just like the seed, so that there's room for everyone who wants to be there.

Gospel reflection

Be Kind! Be Helpful!



The mustard seed also shows us how size doesn't matter – even the tiniest seed can produce a great big tree.

The same is true for us – even the smallest person can do great things.

And even the smallest action can have big results.

For example, being kind in the playground and inviting someone to play with you if they look lonely, is just one little thing you can do.

But to the person who is lonely, it can make a really big difference.

Gospel reflection

Can you think of any examples of small things that you have done that have made a big difference to other people?

What do you think happens when lots of people join their actions together?

If lots of people do something small, it can make a really, really big difference.

A bit like how a drop of water isn't very much on its own, but join it together with millions of other drops, and you get the great big sea!



Let us Pray



Dear Loving God,
You show us that the littlest actions can have huge results, and that the smallest of people can do great things.

Inspire us to play our part in making the world a fairer place for everyone.




Amen.

TOGETHER, SMALL ACTIONS ADD UP TO MAKE A BIG
DIFFERENCE.
THE SMALLEST SEED CAN GROW INTO THE BIGGEST BUSH.

MY QUESTION TO YOU ALL TODAY IS



WHAT WILL YOU DO THIS WEEK TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OTHER
PEOPLE IN THE SCHOOL AND AROUND THE COMMUNITY?



Monday

Blessings

Have a *beautiful* day

and a *blessed*

week