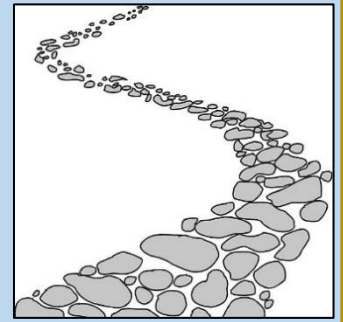


# WALKING THE PATH



## Walking the Path ~ ... of Courage...

32nd Sunday in Ordinary time  
10th November 2024  
Marks Gospel:  
“Fors he gave all she had.”



Many philosophers have identified **courage** as the greatest of all virtues since it takes courage to sustain all others.

For example, in order to be a *peace-maker* it takes courage. In order to uphold *justice* it takes courage. And many times to really truly *love* someone it takes courage.

So what is courage? Some people think that in order to be *courageous* you need to be *fearless*. But this isn't totally right....because courage isn't really the absence of fear, but it's the ability to act in spite of fear.

## “Although you have not seen him you love him.” (1 Peter)

### The Missionary journeys of St Paul

**Damascus:**


The Chapel of St. Paul is a modern stone chapel in Damascus that incorporates materials from the Bab Kisan, the ancient city gate through which Paul was lowered out of a window in Acts 9:25.

Straight Street is the Roman street that runs from east to west in the old city of Damascus. It was mentioned in the story of Paul's conversion to Christianity in Acts 9. God speaks to Ananias in a vision, and tells him to go to the Damascus Straight Street. At the house of Judas, he was to look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, as Paul was then known. Ananias is hesitant but goes anyway. After Ananias lays hands on Saul, his eyesight is restored and he is baptized.

**St Edmund of Canterbury:  
16th November**



St Edmund, along with Our Lady of Lourdes, St Erconwald and St Cedd, is one of the patrons of the Diocese of Brentwood. He was a renowned scholar of the universities of Paris and Oxford and was appointed as Archbishop of Canterbury in 1233. St Edmund's Hall, one of the colleges of the University of Oxford, is named after him.

“Christians must be able to hope with courage, and freely welcome God's grace.” - Pope Francis 



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