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[Christ Our Holy Redeemer Socktober 2021](#)



Thursday's Challenge Find a ball and kick a soccer goal



Learn - Practice your soccer short pass, long pass and juggling (knees-up)

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Want to improve your skills?

Watch this video : [Socktober Skills: Passing, Shootouts and Knee-ups](#)



Pray - Let us pray...

Together let us say the words that Jesus taught us.

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen



Take Action -

Invite your family to join you in a game of soccer, and teach them a skill you've learnt during Socktober. Use your sockball if you have made one!

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Yours sincerely,

Jo Cowan

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Tuesday's Challenge – Find a ball and kick a soccer goal

Learn - What is World Mission Month?

Here in Australia, October marks World Mission Month, a celebration of the global work of the Church and the dedication of missionaries, both religious and lay, as they reach out and support children and communities in need around the world.

On World Mission Sunday, which falls on 24 October 2021, parish communities around the world will gather to pray for and raise funds to support the work of thousands of crucial church-run programs.

Pray - For missionaries, that they will accompany, with compassion, those whose lives are affected by crushing poverty.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

For all refugee families, that they will find safe haven and welcome in places that show kindness to strangers.

Lord, hear us.

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For the Church in Thailand, that it will continue to work in harmony with its culture and people.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Take Action -

Wednesday's Challenge – Make your own "sockball" - video

Learn - Learn about the history of a 'sockball'.

Pray - For all those who are affected by the coronavirus pandemic, that they may find relief and recovery.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

For Pope Francis, that he will continue to lead the world towards, mercy, tenderness, and healing.

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Presider: God of all people, fill our hearts with your Holy Spirit that we will act justly to rid our world of all that harms our brothers and sisters. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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