



# World Youth Day 2021

Primary Assembly



Pope Francis has encouraged people  
all over the world to celebrate:

# WORLD YOUTH DAY

on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021**

(The Sunday before Advent!)





- 2021 THEME -

“STAND UP. I APPOINT YOU AS  
WITNESSES OF WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN”

(based on Acts 26:16)

**Pope Francis has chosen this  
theme as a message to all young  
people (that means YOU!)**

**It is from the story of  
Paul on the Road to  
Damascus...**

**On the way to Damascus, at noon, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun. It shined all around me and those traveling with me. We all fell to the ground. Then I heard a voice talking to me.**

**The voice said, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? You are only hurting yourself by fighting me."**

**I said, "Who are you, Lord?"**



**The Lord said, "I am Jesus. I am the one you are persecuting.**

**Stand up! I have chosen you to be my witness. You will tell people about me — what you have seen today and what I will show you.**

**This is why I have come to you. I will keep you safe. You will make them able to understand the truth. They will turn away from darkness to the light. "**





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**But what does this  
mean for us today?**



**Pope Francis  
says this in his  
letter to young  
people...**

Dear young people, make the most of being young! Don't just sit around, or live your life behind a screen...

**Have big dreams!**

You are filled with the love of Christ!  
You are called to be a witness of the Gospel  
wherever you are, by the way you live.

**Be a LIGHT in the world**

Young friends, don't wait until tomorrow to  
share your energy and your creativity  
to changing our world!

**You are the now of God!**



**Can you think of a time you felt love or kindness from someone else?**

**Can you think of someone or a group of people you could show love or kindness to?**

**How could you share love or kindness with others?**

# Let us pray...

Dear Jesus,

Help us to share light, love, joy and kindness in the world around us.

Help me to live in the way you have called me to do, and to make a difference to others.

# Amen





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