Reflection Wednesday Week 34 – 2020

"Great and marvellous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty.
Just and true are your ways, King of the nations.
Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name?
For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship before you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed."

This prayer of praise in the book of the Apocalypse is one we also want to pray. But it is a challenge. What marvellous deeds of the Lord are you aware of? How do you experience the just and true ways of the Lord today when you face so many challenges? Fear really means holding God in great reverence, great awe, not to distance God from us or ourselves from God but to approach God in the right frame of mind and disposition. In calling God Holy, we recognise that all holiness comes from God. Created in God's image we are created holy; it is part of who we are like flesh and blood. We are, however, ministers of this great gift of God with which we are blessed. This prayer helps us recognise that our role is to reveal the loving, holy, just and righteous God to those around us, otherwise all the nations will not be able to come and worship God.

It is certainly some prayer!

An airplane was about to crash. There were 4 passengers on board, but only 3 parachutes. The 1st passenger said, 'I am Steph Curry, the best NBA basketball player. The Warriors and my millions of fans need me, and I can't afford to die.' So, he took the 1st pack and left the plane. The 2nd passenger, Donald Trump, said, 'I am still the US President, and I am the smartest President in American history, so my people don't want me to die.' He took the 2nd pack and jumped out of the plane. The 3rd passenger, the Pope, said to the 4th passenger, a 10-year-old schoolboy, 'My son, I am old and don't have many years left, you have more years ahead so I will sacrifice my life and let you have the last parachute.' The little boy said, 'That's okay, Your Holiness, there's a parachute left for you. America 's smartest President took my schoolbag!!