## Reflection Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Week Easter 2023

The gospel today is one that is often used at funerals. It pays tribute to the person who has died and expresses a belief that the person was an inspiration and supportive example for living the gospel. It is a gospel that challenges us to live the way of Jesus better, to give Jesus a more important place in our lives and be a better example of the truth of the gospel.

The first disciples of Jesus were known as the people of the Way. It was the way that they lived their lives together that inspired others rather than their words. The love and care they showed each other, their compassion and kindness, how they shared their possessions, the help they gave to the poor and hungry and their ability to forgive their oppressors: this is what inspired others to want to live like them. Showing us that actions speak louder than words. Let us therefore be inspired!!