

Reflection Wednesday Holy Week 2024

Some have called this day Spy Wednesday revealing how Judas Iscariot plotted to betray Christ. A very painful truth for Jesus. The betrayal of Jesus eventually included all of his inner circle, by all those who had received so much from him. We shall never know what really motivated Judas' betrayal. The Gospel suggests that money might have been a big factor, it could have been much more than that? Afterwards, Judas threw the money away!!

The gospel reveals that, when Jesus announced that one of those at the meal with him would betray him, everyone present was 'greatly distressed'. To be betrayed by someone you trust is very distressing both for the one betrayed and for all those associated with that person.

Today's story of Judas, however, reminds us that we are all capable of betraying Jesus. We betray him each time we are unkind to each other, because of selfishness, inconsiderate of others and many other ways. These are simple truths and should cause us distress.

Spend time reflecting on the action of Judas and recognise how we betray Jesus in different ways in our lives. Then reflect on how Jesus would have looked at Judas before he left to betray Jesus. Would it not have been with great compassion, deep sorrow and a loving concern for the safety of his soul? Or more??