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Have you been celebrating Halloween? If so, do you know what the word 'Halloween' means. It's a short way of saying "All Hallows Eve" and is the day before the church remembers all the Holy (Saints) followers of Jesus on November 1st. It's called "All Saints Day", and there are very many of them to be remembered. They are people who have shown their love of Jesus in their lives, and inspired many others to follow the Jesus way. Some are commemorated in rather odd seeming ways. Take St Catherine for instance. Her name has been given to a firework, the Catherine Wheel.



November 5th is Bonfire Night and I am sure that somehow you will be able to see a few fireworks. Probably not at a big celebration like usual because of the restrictions. If you have enjoyed firework displays the Catherine Wheels are dazzling, whirling parts of those displays, but how did it get its name?

Catherine lived in Alexandria in Egypt when it was part of the Roman Empire.

She was a young Christian from an influential family who, having confronted the pagan emperor, was invited to debate the cause of Christianity with leading teachers. When she won the debate, and many of the teachers began to believe as well. The emperor was very angry about that and ordered that she be tortured to death by being crushed by wheels covered in saw blades and nails.

However, the wheels fell apart and she was spared. As a result, more people became Christians. Catherine was finally beheaded on the emperor's orders, but she has never been forgotten.

The Catherine Wheels in bonfire night displays remind us of her story. We, like her should be prepared to speak about Jesus whenever we can, and remember that for some people that is still a dangerous thing to do.



**Make yourself a St Catherine Prayer Wheel.**

Copy this wheel shape onto a piece of paper.

Think of some people you have heard of who have given their life to working for Christian: Mother Teresa, Nelson Mandela, or those who do things for the community: Capt Tom, Martin Rashford, NHS workers. Then think of places that you have heard about where it is difficult to be a Christian, and write those on other spokes. Draw a cross on the wheel hub.

PRAY: Father God, it's so hard to go against those who don't believe in you. Give people courage to tell other about you. Amen.



On November 11<sup>th</sup> there is another act of remembrance that takes place in many countries. That is the day we remember all of those who have died in World War I and all wars that have followed. (Church Services will mostly be held on Nov 8<sup>th</sup>) As an act of remembrance you may be wearing a poppy, the emblem of those dead soldiers. Below is a word search that contains words relating to Remembrance Day



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| HEROES    | MEMORIAL  | NOVEMBER  |
| PARADE    | PEACE     | POPPY     |
| PRIDE     | REMEMBER  | SACRIFICE |
| SOLDIERS  | WAR       | WREATH    |

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Below is a picture to colour of the time when Jesus asked his friends to always remember Him.



**Jesus said to his disciples,  
"Do this in remembrance of me."**