

Collective Worship Hymn Reflection



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Pro Deo et Ecclesia



Your
pardon
Lord,

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Listen to the hymn and sing along if you would like to.



The words of the hymn,
'Make me a Channel of your
peace' are based on the
word of a prayer written
by a man called **St Francis
of Assisi**.



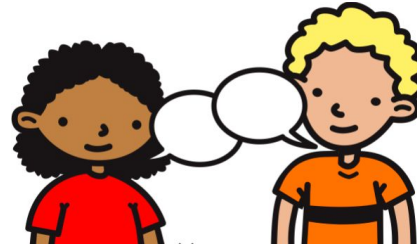
Francis was born in Italy over
800 hundred years ago (in
1181). He was born in to a **rich
and wealthy family**.



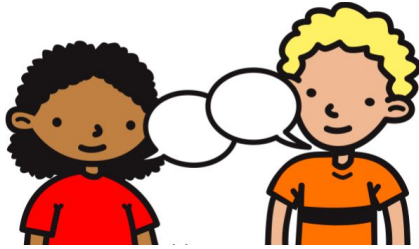
*Lepers are people who are unwell with a disease called leprosy.

When he was a young man Francis decided to give up his rich, fine life and devote himself to God and **following Jesus**.

Francis lived by himself in a simple hut and spent his time **teaching about God** and helping the sick. He looked after **lepers*** near the Italian town of Assisi.



- What is St Francis wearing?
How are his clothes different from when he lived the life of a rich man?
- What do you think this picture can teach us about the life of St Francis?
What symbols are used?



St Francis wrote the words,
'**Make me a Channel*** of your
peace' as a prayer to God.
In what ways did God answer
that prayer and make St
Francis' life a 'channel of
peace' ?

A channel* is a passage that allows
things (like water) to flow through.





Reflection:

Think about the ways can you be a channel of God's peace to others.

Prayer:

Thank God for the life of people, like St Francis, who bring God's teaching, healing and peace to the world.