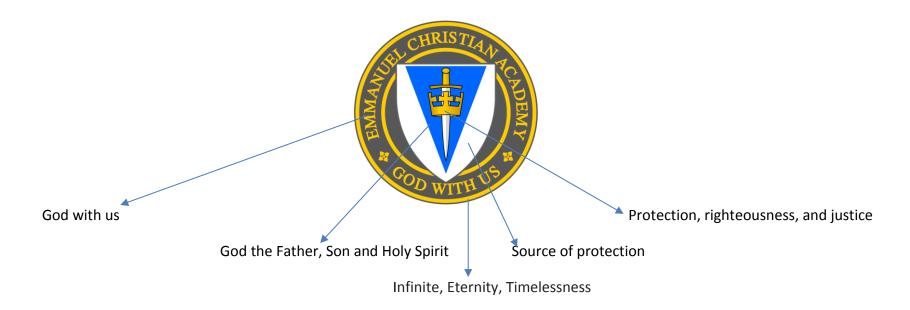
## The meaning of our logo



## *Emmanuel* – God with us.

<u>The symbolism of the sword -</u> In Christianity the sword deals with <u>protection</u>, <u>righteousness</u>, <u>and justice</u>. We see archangel Michael depicted in Christian art holding a sword (also with scales) to reinforce the concept of truth, purity, equanimity, and the justness revealed in the light of Christ. Furthermore, we see the sword (often flaming) blocking the gates of Eden as a sign of protection - only the pure of heart may enter. Equanimity is defined as being calm and maintaining your emotions, especially in bad situations.

<u>The symbolism of the triangle</u> - One of the first symbols used for the Trinity was the triangle. The three sides forming one shape complete the meaning of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

<u>The symbolism of the shield</u> - The shield is a source of protection from God against spiritual and bodily harm.

<u>The symbolism of the</u> circles - The circle is a universal symbol with extensive meaning. It represents the notions of totality, wholeness, original perfection, the Self, the infinite, eternity, timelessness, all cyclic movement, God ('God is a circle whose centre is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere' (Hermes Trismegistus). God's love for us is unending.