



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

We hope you have all enjoyed a lovely Easter break with your children, spent some time with your family and friends despite the showers but enjoyed the sunshine.

Before the end of term, **Amelia, Anthony S, Emmanuella, Evelyn, Eva Joy, Freya, Jessica, Kian, Isabella, Paacm, Scarlett, Timmi, Valerie and Zofia from Year 4** represented our school at St Barnabas Cathedral as they were part of the choir Singing at the Chrism Mass. Thank you to Mr Treloar for all your help.



We look forward to beginning our final term of this academic year and I know there are lots of engaging activities planned with your children. This term it is the turn of year 5 and 6 children to gain experience of Forest Schools with Mrs Harrison and Mrs Nicholson. Please ensure you sign and complete the consent form your child will bring home.

.Our final INSET Day of this academic year is Friday 28th June. School will be closed for all children on this day.

YEAR 6 SHARE JESUS' GREATEST SACRIFICE

Year 6 led us in our final liturgical prayer of our term. They shared the joy as Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, the disciple's confusion as Jesus washed their feet showing that He came to serve. They ended with Jesus' ultimate sacrifice - death on the cross.



WORD OF THE WEEK: FAITH



Having faith can be hard. It requires us to believe in those things we can't prove and see. St. Thomas is famous for not believing that Jesus had risen, but this reminds us all that even for Jesus' disciples, faith wasn't always easy. Faith is a gift from God and if we can find it, and hold on to it, faith gives us strength comfort, and hope.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Football (Year 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Striking and fielding (Year 1, 2 and 3)	All day 3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Dance (Reception, Year 1 and 2)	3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Dance (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	TB Sport:	3:15 - 4:30

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Our Education Welfare Officer, Mrs Bradshaw, monitors attendance daily and continues to make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time. This week Mrs Bradshaw said: **"Congratulations to Year 1, Year 3 and Year 6 whose class attendance for Lent term was above 97%. Hopefully as the weather gets warmer, all classes will achieve above 97% over the coming weeks."**



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
15.04.24		15.09.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 19.04.24 House Prize Afternoon	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
22.04.24		22.04.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 26.04.24 Whole School Mass – Easter 2pm in church	
29.04.234		29.04.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 03.05.24 Rosary led by Year 5 2;40pm	
06.05.24		08.05.24 Rosary led by Year 4 2:40pm 10.05.24 Celebration Assembly 2:20pm	
13.05.24 KS2 SATs week		13.05.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 15.05.24 Rosary led by Year 3 17.05.24: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
20.05.24	22.05.24 Partake visiting year 1 24.05.24 St Joan of Arc Feast Day	20.05.24 Rosary led by Year 6 24.05.24 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly	
27.05.24	HALF TERM		
03.06.24		13.06.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 07.06.24: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	05.06.24 New parents meeting at The Becket
10.06.24	12.06.24 Partake visiting year 3	10.06.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 14.06.24 :Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
17.06.24	17.06.24 Partake visiting school – EYFS 17.06.24 Year 4 visit The Becket 21.06.24 St Alban Feast Day	17.06.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 21.06.24 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
24.06.24	28.06.24 INSET DAY School closed to all pupils	24.06.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 27.06.24 St Peter and Paul Feast Day Mass	
01.07.24	05.07.24 Partake visiting year 5	01.07.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	
08.07.24	Healthy Schools Fortnight 08.07.24 Transition Visits in school and Becket 09.07.24 year 6 visit The Becket 12.07.23 Year 5 visit The Becket	08.07.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 12.07.24 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
15.07.24	Healthy Schools Fortnight 18.07.24 Key Stage 2 Sports Day 1:30pm 19.07.24 EYFS / KS1 Sports Day 1:30pm	15.07.24 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	
22.07.24	22.07.24 Family picnic	24.07.24 Achiever of the term Assembly 25.07.24 Year 6 leaver's Assembly 9:15am 26.07.24 Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm	

PUPIL VOICE

There was lots to celebrate before Easter with our Achiever's Assembly. Congratulations to the following children who achieved:

Bronze awards (100 house points)

Janice, Alicija, Laura, Rylinn, Colby, Milan O, Beverley, Anaja, Anna, Jolie, Aryam, Havana, Alex and Michelle,

Silver Award (250 house points)

Luis, Emily, Tiffany, Mihret, Nadia, Raphael, Chicago, Orlaith, Najarn, Alex, Imelda, Michal, Melve, Chiwetara, Amara, Grace, Alessia, Chi An, Michelle, Shelia, Medet, Daisy, Filip, Orlaith, Dorian, Oliver, Mailany, John, Roman, zofia, Daniel, Majka, Nuala, Chiamaka, Matthew, Scarlett, Pacem, Eva Joy, Timmi, Philip M, Leo, Jessica, Cleondra, Hanelle, George, Kyanna, Natan, Nihal, Skyla, Tobechei, Zuzanna, Javonna, Janka, Abi, Sam, Paoge, keelan, Kaylin, Harry, Serghel, Tyler, Chloe, Zoie, Karmony, Dawid, Keira, Siyane, Hope, Jahvarn, Filip, Andzelika, Joan, Olivier, Sree, Darragh, Katie, Gordon, Oge, Karyn, Hollie-Mae and Julia.

Gold Award (400 house points)

Princess, Jessica, Maria, Bryian, Liam, Rebecca, Lilly, Janice, Eva, Amelia, Evelyn, Valerie, Freya, Cheryl, Diana, Skyla, Janka, Harlan, Sree, Keelan, Keira, Darragh, Chloe, Nadal Oge, Serghel and Kaylin

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PARISH NOTICES:

THANK YOU to all our parish musicians and singers who lead us so well at Mass. Thank you for sharing your time and talents Let's show our appreciation by participating in the Mass and singing praise to God!!

Here's a thought not to be too depressing, but at some point, we all will die. When we do, it can be difficult for families to plan our funeral if we haven't made any plans ourselves. They might not be practising their faith so struggle choosing appropriate hymns or Scripture readings, they might opt for a simpler crematorium service when we would really want a Requiem Mass in church. To help our families and to avoid this difficulty, we have at the back of church a simple planning sheet 'Instructions for my Funeral'. It helps you think about and put down what you would like. Once you have completed it, you can lodge a copy with the parish office who will keep it on file, give a copy to your next of kin, and if you have a funeral plan in place, give a copy to the funeral director.

Looking ahead to the Jubilee Year of Prayer 2025: Our schools have been invited to participate in a diocesan project, focused on the Lord's Prayer. Christ the King School is looking to celebrate this by putting together a video of different sections of the Lord's Prayer spoken in different languages, by different people from across our community and we would love it if anyone in our parishes would like to take part. Please contact Eddy Walton for more information: ewalton@christtheking.notts.sch.uk

Clothes Share at Our Lady & St Edward's Community space on Saturday 20th April, 1-3pm. Please donate decent, wearable quality clothes (no underwear or socks please) after Masses at all 3 churches between now and Friday 19th April. Come and join us for drinks and cakes on Saturday 20th and take any clothes that you need. Any leftover will be donated to Sharewear. No charge, but any voluntary donations will go to CAFOD.

Diary Date: Walking the Labyrinth - Saturday 21st September 10am to 2pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre. Martin Garsed, a retired GP and a spiritual director, will lead a half day on the Labyrinth. More details here. or visit the parish website , click on news/events.

St Barnabas Gaelic Football Club – junior session, When: Friday April 12th and every Friday evening, Time: 6.00-7.00pm, Ages: between 4-16 for boys and girls, Location: Melbourne Park, NG8 5HJ. All are welcome to come and try a new sport and make new friends. Groups split into age groups. All coaches DBS certified. For more information email secretary.stbarnabas.warwickshire@gaa.ie or contact Cara on 07564 503151 or Liam on 07976 315334

Parking at OLSE: please park considerately and don't block our neighbours' driveways, nor park on the pavement. The hatched area in front of the double gates is also restricted. Thank you

Eucharistic Ministers: the Diocese is providing training in September for new Eucharistic Ministers who can distribute Communion at Mass and take it to the sick and housebound. We need some more ministers at each of our churches, so in the next few weeks, members of the Pastoral Team are going to approach individuals to ask if they would be willing to take up this important ministry. Please be generous in your response if asked. If anyone feels called to this ministry, speak to a Pastoral Team member. **Thank you:** The Greaney family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, support, cards and Mass cards since the passing of Jimmy. The kindness and love shown by everyone in the parish has been overwhelming. Jimmy was greatly loved and will be missed by so many. A mass will be offered in thanksgiving to you all - Patsy, Liam, Declan and Ellen and all the Greaney family.

Social Events in our Parish: We are holding a meeting on Tuesday 23rd April 2024, 7 pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre to enable us to create a parish group with people from all churches and parish organisations to meet twice a year to coordinate dates of events to prevent clashes. Also come along if you would you like to be involved in helping/organising events in our parish, or do you have any new ideas? Thank you to those that already organise events, you do fantastic, successful job to make our parish into a vibrant, welcoming community!!

Please pray for: • The repose of the soul of Elizabeth Francis RIP (Reception and Vigil Wed 24th April 6pm, Funeral Mass Thurs 25th, 2pm. OLSE) • The repose of the soul of Bill Stanton RIP (Reception and Vigil Sun 28th April, 6pm, Funeral Mass Mon 29th 10.30 SA) • The work of Emmanuel House as our partnership with them at OLSE continues to the next stage.

This week: • Our Lady & St Edward's Café: Wednesday 12 noon, all welcome. • Community Café at Sacred Heart Thursday 12 noon. All welcome • Scripture Group: is on Friday 19th April at 2pm in St Joseph's Convent focussing on John 10:11-18. All are welcome. • Meditation Group: 18 th April, 7.30 pm SH Com centre. All Welcome

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: The beauty and mystery of Creation create in the human heart the first impulse that evokes prayer (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2566). It is an experience that many of us have had. If life's events, with all their bitterness, sometimes risk choking the gift of prayer that is within us, it is enough to contemplate a starry sky, a sunset, a flower..., in order to rekindle a spark of thanksgiving.

Baptism Course: if you have a child for Baptism, our next course is on Saturday 27th April, 10 am – 12 at Sacred Heart Community Centre. To register onto the course, please complete and return a form from the back of church by 20th April. Godparents are welcome to attend.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Saturday 15th June. Our coach leaves Sacred Heart Carlton at 8.15 am, 6 places available. Timetable: 11 am – arrivals, 12 noon - Mass with Diocesan Youth Choirs, 1 pm – lunch with time to look around the shrine, adoration, confession, activities and Vocation stall. 3 pm – Procession along the Holy mile followed at 4 pm by Benediction, departures at 4.30 pm. Telephone the office for availability: 0115 9118266. Cost is £26, payable on booking.

Red Box 2023: Thank You! In 2023, Holy Family Parish raised £1114.58 through our Red Boxes and donation to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our Missionary community here at The Holy Family, East Nottingham is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr. Ignatius MHM working with a rural community in Uganda, enable people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit mission.org.uk to find out more.

To celebrate the diversity in our parish, we would like to know where our parishioners were born. Please take a slip from church, add your name and where you were born and hand it to a Welcomer. Your birth country will then be high-lighted on our World Map which is to be displayed in church. How many different nationalities do you think we have? Answer on Pentecost Sunday!!

Second Collection: Next Weekend for the CLERGY FORMATION FUND



CONGRATULATIONS TO

All our pupils who were recognised by their teachers during the Lent Term and were awarded Achiever of the Half Term. Kind, resilient, committed, hardworking, focused, superstar, marvellous, and polite are just some of the many words that were used to describe you. **Well done to Sophie, Najarn, Alicija, Michelle, Orlaith, Emmanuella, Kyanna and Kayanna. As it was the end of a full term, I awarded Janka with the head teacher award.**



Thank you to all the children who took part in our Easter house competition. There were some eggcellent creations and our judges found it eggremely difficult to choose a winning 3 for each key stage. **Congratulations to Brenda, Evanna and Iveira who were our EYFS winners, to Eliash, Adiel and Havanna from Key Stage 1 and to Leo, Keira and Kyanna from Key Stage 2**



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ALL MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 15 th April	9am (OLSE)	MASS Fr Paul Hardy RIP
Tuesday 16 th April	10am (SA)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 17 th April	6pm (SH)	MASS Anthony Garibaldi RIP
Thursday 18 th April	10am (SA)	MASS Kim; for speedy recovery
Friday 19 th April	9:15am (SH)	MASS Eileen Sheppard RIP
Saturday 20 th April		MASS
Sunday 21 st April	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11.30am (SA)	MASS Peggy Deacey RIP Mrs & Mrs Patrick Cuffe RIP Anne Kincaid RIP

POINTS MAKE PRIZES!!!!!!

Last half term may have been quite short but the children collected over 21,000 house points with their excellent behaviour and attitude to learning.

The final points were;
St Therese of Liseux – 5,998 points
St Joan of Arc – 5,738 points
St Alban – 4,961 points
Blessed Cyprian Tansi – 4,757 points
Children in St Therese house will enjoy their prize afternoon on Friday.