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WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

As you are aware, we had our Catholic Schools Inspection (CSI) last week in school. Mrs Murphy and Mr Brogan were our inspectors and gathered their evidence in a variety of ways. They looked at our historical evidence and visited RE lessons, joined children for Liturgical Prayer; spoke to various pupils from different year groups, staff, parents and various stakeholders. They now share their findings with the diocese and we will receive a report, which we will share with you all. Thank you to all families who completed the online survey to share their views.

Last week we also had members of the marketing team in school taking photographs, which will be used to update our website, we will let you know when this goes live in the coming weeks.

Children in year 5 and 6 continue with their Forest School sessions this week. It is important that your child has a spare pair of old footwear preferably wellies as they often get muddy during these sessions.

We wish our boys football team well as they play their match today after school. Good luck to Dawid, Gordon, Nadal, Oge, Serghel, Tommy, Tyler, Abi, Alley, Connor, Isaiah, Jeremiah Samuel, Seth and Yotam.

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

EASTER MASS

Last Friday, we celebrated our first mass of this term. Thank you to our Chaplaincy Team for planning and leading us in our Mass to celebrate Eastertide.

Thank you also to our Parish Ambassadors for supporting Fr Joe. Well done to everyone who joined us, the singing sounded fantastic, a real joyous celebration.



FRIENDS OF ST EDWARD'S

We are keen to start a small parent group who will support with hosting social events for the children in our school. We are fortunate that we have volunteers who support Mrs Astley and Mrs White in organising our Christmas Fayre which is a wonderful fund raising opportunity. However, we would like to host termly social events in the future, ideas so far include, discos, film evening, games, family barbecue.

Ideally, we would need a team of approximately 10 parents who would be able to commit. If you are able to help please speak to myself or Miss Greenwood in school or Yvonne Davies out on the playground.



WORD OF THE WEEK: WITNESS



Witness is the sharing of our faith with others. It is a way of testifying to the truth of Jesus Christ and the Gospel message. Our witness can be a way of celebrating the hope and joy that we have in Jesus and a way of powerfully sharing the good news with those around us.

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 Reception whose class attendance last week was 99%. Well done to year 3 and year 6 whose class attendance was above 98% and year 2 and 4 whose class attendance was above 97%. A super start to the new term.**

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

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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

As Friday was the final Friday of the month, it meant one thing - Fairtrade tuck shop led by Sr Patricia and our Chaplaincy Team. Thank you to all who support it, all profit goes to support Cafod. On Friday, we raised £80. Our next one will take place on 24th May.



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PARISH NOTICES:

Thank you to Our welcomers. Not just there to hand out hymn books, they are the face of the church and the first point of contact for people who come to Mass. Their role is particularly important if someone comes for the first time or comes back to church after a long absence. If they get a good welcome, they are likely to come back again!

CAFOD APPEAL – URGENT SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR SUDAN or donate on-line at: cafod.org.uk: Millions of families who have been forced to flee their homes due to conflict and are now facing yet another urgent crisis – hunger. Donations now will help provide emergency food packages, as well as other essentials like medicine. Water pipelines have been damaged, meaning that families are having to fetch water from unsafe locations. With your support, we can work to repair damage to pipelines and build new ones so that clean water can reach the communities who need it. We are providing emergency sanitation in several of Sudan's largest refugee camps. This is a desperate need especially for the sick, the elderly, those with young children.

Holy Family Parish Rosary for Mary's month of May: beginning at 7pm, all welcome

- 1st May St Augustine's Lady Chapel
- 3rd May in the Day Chapel at Our Lady & St Edward's.
- 15th May Our Lady & St Edward's Church
- 21st May Sacred Heart Church
- 28th May St Augustine's Lady Chapel

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.

Holy Family Events Meeting: thank you to those who attended – a really great turnout with all churches represented and keen to work together. A calendar of events will be posted on our hall notice boards.

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!!

Nottingham Young Adults group is meeting at St Barnabas Cathedral on Thursday 2nd May from 6pm. The evening will include Adoration and an opportunity for Confession followed by a talk from Fr Wilfred of Corpus Christi Parish, Clifton. The evening will end with compline and then social time. For more information, please contact Charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

A choral concert of music in honour of Our Lady, Queen of the May, is being given by the combined forces of Nottingham Cathedral Choir, Salford Cathedral Choir, and Nottingham Cathedral Choir Alumni, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral on Saturday 11th May at 7.45pm. All are very welcome to attend.

Jericho Road Project: Could you give 3 hours of your month to volunteer with them? They need male and female volunteers to join their wonderful team and show Jesus' love to women affected by the sex industry in Nottingham. Visit: www.jerichoroad.org.uk for more info or contact Sally Jackman at: sally@jerichoroad.org.uk

Parish Diary Dates:

Summer Fair: 20th July please? Helpers required, also wanted ; raffle prizes and unused beauty products for tombola.

Walking the Labyrinth - Saturday 21st September 10am to 2pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre. More details [here](#). or visit the parish website, click on news/events

Please pray for:

- The repose of the soul of Bill Stanton RIP (Reception and Vigil Sun 28th April, 6pm, Funeral Mass Mon 29th 10.30 SA)

This week:

- Our Lady & St Edward's Café: Wednesday 12 noon, all welcome.
- Confirmation programme continues Wednesday 1st May, 7.30 – 9 at St Augustine's
- Holy Family Rosary: Wednesday 7 pm St Augustine's Lady Chapel.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Thursday 12 noon. All welcome
- Scripture Group: is on Friday 3rd May at 2pm in St Joseph's Convent focussing on John 15:9-17. All are welcome.
- Meditation Group: Thursday 2nd May in Sacred Heart Parish Centre, 7.30 pm - all welcome

Wednesday Word: resources: resources for children on the Sunday Gospel: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/growing?pid=MTA101634&v=126.8>

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: Jesus taught us to pray to our heavenly Father, acknowledging our total dependence on him and trusting entirely in his providential care. Prayer of petition arises naturally in our hearts. In the Bible we see countless prayers to God to intervene in situations of sickness, injustice, betrayal and despair. Even the simple cry, "Lord, help me!" is itself a powerful prayer. God always hears the cry of those who call upon him. To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

CAR BOOT SALE AT SACRED HEART CAR PARK AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ON SATURDAY 18th MAY, £10 per car. For a slot, telephone Tommy on 07544 655070 or Martin on 07989 559769.

SVP will be running a table to raise funds so are appealing for bric-a-brac items – please leave any at church. Thank you.

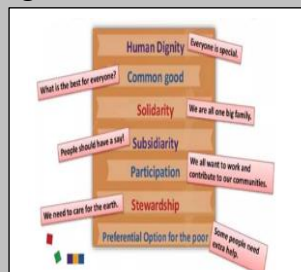
Missionary Disciples: Bishop Patrick invites you to a free online webinar, on Tuesday 21st May, 6.00 – 8.00pm, led by best-selling author and eminent speaker Sherry Weddell. Sherry has developed numerous unique formation resources that are used around the world, and she will share her inspirational ideas on how Catholics can explore their Mission to bring all people closer to Christ. The seminar will be particularly relevant to parish catechists, teachers, pastoral ministers, religious, priest and deacons, and parishioners who wish to know more about evangelisation. This seminar will help re-energise Catholics to be strong Missionary Disciples. Register at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/sw



CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Last week our word of the week was Vocation.

We may often think vocation is only for people who choose to be a priest or a nun. Sister Patricia shared her calling to a religious life with children and staff in assembly. We do not have to join a religious life to live out our vocation. Pope Francis reminds us that we are all missionaries of God's love, and so we have a responsibility to speak up for those who struggle to be heard such as the poor, the marginalised and the lonely. Once the children returned to their classes they thought how they live out these key messages in our school, community and in the world.



OUR ARTISTS IN YEAR 1

Mrs Astley was teaching in Year 1 on Thursday afternoon and was very impressed with the wonderful artwork that the children produced. They looked at primary and secondary colours and used paint to imitate the work (Numbers in Colour) of the artist Jasper Johns.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ALL MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 29 th April	10:30 (SA)	MASS Funeral of Bill Stanton RIP
Tuesday 30 th April	10am (SA)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 1 st May St Joseph the Worker	6pm (SH)	MASS Ann James-Holmes RIP
Thursday 2 nd May St Athanasius	10am (SA) 11:20am (CTK)	MASS John McLoughlin RIP Lindisfarne House Mass; Christ the King. Fr Kevin Gradwell RIP
Friday 3 rd May Ss Philip & James	9:15am (SH)	MASS Enid Adams RIP
Saturday 4 th May		MASS
Sunday 5 th May Sixth Sunday of Easter Safeguarding Sunday	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11.30am (SA)	MASS Anna Nguyen Thi Thuy RIP Mary Hall RIP Liam Walsh RIP

MAY, A MONTH DEDICATED TO MARY

Later this week we begin the month of May, which traditionally in the church is dedicated to Mary. All classes in key stage 2 will enjoy a retreat afternoon with our chaplains focusing on one of the mysteries of the rosary. The purpose of the Rosary is to help keep in memory certain events or mysteries in Jesus' ministry and life. The children will then lead a liturgy to the whole school.

These will take place weekly beginning at 2:40pm

Year 5 on Friday 3rd May

Year 4 on Wednesday 8th May

Year 3 on Wednesday 15th May

Year 6 on Wednesday 22nd May

Parents are welcome to join us.

