



WHAT IS IN THE NEWS?

Today Year 1 and 2 continue their Forest School sessions. As the weather is getting colder and wetter, please ensure your child is dressed in appropriate clothes and brings a pair of wellies.

On Wednesday, year 3 and 4 continue to enjoy their choir sessions with Mr Treloar. They are now preparing for their carol service on 3rd December at St Barnabas Cathedral. Please return your reply slip indicating whether you give permission for photo consent.

Your child will bring home a letter today inviting them to mass on Sunday at 9am to celebrate the feast of Christ the King. Fr Joe has asked for children to read, sing and serve so please join your children for a lovely home, school, parish celebration.

At the end of the last academic year myself and Miss Greenwood met with some parents to map out family social events throughout the year. Unfortunately, due to other commitments this group has now ceased. As a result we have had to postpone our traditional Christmas Fayre this year. We are hoping to organise a Spring / Easter fayre next year but we do need parent volunteers to support us. If you are able to do so please speak to myself, Miss Greenwood, Mrs Astley or Mrs White, These events do raise funds for our school which are used to buy resources for your children. We have arranged to have a Christmas disco afternoon for the children on 13th December with further information to follow soon.

OLSE REMEMBERS

Thank you to our Chaplaincy Team who led us in our Remembrance Day Celebration of the Word this morning. We joined with those around the country to pause in silence to remember those who have been affected by war and conflict. We prayed for peace in our world today.



RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Reconciliation and Holy Communion preparation; forms are now available to register for this preparation in Holy Family Parish which will start in January 2025. Forms are to be collected from church and MUST be returned to church or the parish office by the 15th December. Do not return them to school. Forms received after this date will not be accepted. This preparation is open to children who have reached their 7th birthday by 31st August 2024 (are in Year 3 or above in school this academic year). The forms are available at St Augustine's Church, Our Lady & St Edward's Church and Sacred Heart Church.



WORD OF THE WEEK: YOUTH

Week 33 in Ordinary Time Year B

Word of the Week

Youth

First Reading
[Book of Isaiah] Isaiah 40:1-5
[Mark 10:46-52]

Gospel Reading
[Matthew 23:1-12]

Second Reading
[Romans 12:1-8]

Responsorial Psalm
[Psalm 138]

Antiphona
[Antiphona 100]

Homily
Young people have a vital role to play in the life of the Church and in the world. They offer hope, inspiration and courage. The Church needs young people's voices, involvement, and leadership to help it grow and we are all called to be young in our outlook and our attitude so we can live life to the full.

Prayer
Make the effort to have a positive and youthful attitude this week. Help others to see hope in difficult situations.

| Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45 | EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Monday Breakfast Club | TB Sport: Cricket (Year 4, 5 and 6) | 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Tuesday Breakfast Club | Music Tuition TB Sport: Gymnastics (Year 1, 2 and 3) | All day 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Wednesday Breakfast Club | TB Sport: Dodgeball (Year 1, 2 and 3) | 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Thursday Breakfast Club | TB Sport: Dodgeball (Year 4, 5 and 6) | 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Friday Breakfast Club | No afterschool provision | |

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Our Education Welfare Officer, Miss Bradshaw, continues to monitor attendance daily. She will make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

Last week's attendance was amazing with year 2, 3 and 5 achieving 99.3%, year 1 and year 4 achieving 99% and year 6 above 97%. Let's keep this going!!



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| Week beginning: | School Event | Assemblies/Services | After School |
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| 02.09.24 | 02.09.24: INSET DAY 03.09.24: INSET Day 04.09.24: School opens to pupils | 04.09.24 Welcome back Assembly | |
| 09.09.24 | 11.09 -13.09 Hathersage residential – Year 3 and 4 | 09.09.24 Mass led by Year 6 12.09.24 DAART commences for Year 5 12.09.24 Year 5 Retreat afternoon | |
| 16.09.24 | 16.09.24 Individual and family photographs. | 16.09.24 Whole School Assembly 18.09.24 Choir begins for Year 4 and 5 19.09.24 Year 4 retreat afternoon | EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN |
| 23.09.24 | 27.09.24: International Day | 23.09.24. Whole School Assembly 26.09.24 Year 6 Retreat afternoon 27.09.24 International Day Assembly 2:30pm | 18.09.24 Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket |
| 30.09.24 | 04.10.24 St Francis Feast Day | 30.09.24 Whole School Assembly 30.09.41 St Therese of Liseux House Feast Day | |
| 07.10.24 | 07.10.24 Parent / teacher meetings 11.10.24 World Mental Health Day | 11.10.24: The Selfish Giant Pantomime 08.10.24 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams | |
| 14.10.24 | | 14.10.24 Whole School Assembly 17.10.24 Year 3 Retreat afternoon 18.10.24 Achiever of the Half Term Awards | Microsoft Teams 13.10.21: Harvest Celebration y Year Microsoft Teams |
| 21.10.24 | HALF TERM | | |
| 28.10.24 | HALF TERM | | |
| 04.11.24 | | 04.11.24 Whole School Assembly 08.11.24: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm | |
| 11.11.24 | 11.11.24 Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45am | 11.11.24 Remembrance Day Liturgy 15.11.24: Celebration Assembly | |
| 18.11.24 | Judaism Week in school 21.11.24 Flu vaccinations | 18.11.24 Whole School Assembly 22.11.24 Celebration Assembly | |
| 25.11.24 | 29.11.24 INSET DAY | 25.11.24 Whole School Assembly | |
| 02.12.24 | | 02.12.24 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6 06.12.24: Celebration Assembly | |
| 09.12.24 | 11.12.24 EYFS Nativity 1:30pm 12.12.24 EYFS Nativity 9:30am 13.12.24 Christmas jumper day | 09.12.24 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5 09.12.24 Advent Reconciliation Year 4 -6 | |
| 16.12.24 | 17.12.24 Reception visit the Theatre 18.12.24 Christmas Dinner and party afternoon | 20.12.24 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 3 and 4 | |

PUPIL VOICE

Children in Key Stage 1 continue to love their Forest School Sessions with Mrs Harrison, Mrs Nicholson and Mr Jessop. Last week they were learning how to tie knots, to build shelters and they have created a shelter to encourage hedgehogs in our garden. All the adults were very proud of the super teamwork on show. Remember to keep wearing your warm clothing,



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PARISH NOTICES:

Day for Catechists: On Saturday 30th November the Diocese is hosting the first in-person day of reflection and formation for catechists since lockdown! Contact Lee summers, our Faith Formation coordinator, if you would like to join him in Newark.

Congratulations to 8 of our parishioners who last weekend were Commissioned as Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. They will soon start distributing Holy Communion at Mass and taking Communion out to the sick and housebound; thank you to them for taking up this important ministry; Solomon and Esther, Jenny, Breda, Binoy, Jennifer, Lyn and Martin.

Calling all Eucharistic Ministers: meeting for all involved in this ministry. Wednesday 27th November. 6.45 – 7.30pm (after the evening Mass) at Sacred Heart Community Centre. This is for all who distribute Holy Communion during Mass or to the sick and housebound in their homes. It will be a chance for the 8 newly-commissioned Ministers to get to know about the role in our parish and for us all to reflect on this important ministry.

New Lectionaries: next weekend, on the Feast of Christ the King, we will bless the new sets of lectionaries in each church at Mass. These are the books from which we read and proclaim the Word of God during Mass and other liturgies. The Bishops of England and Wales decided that the current translation was not 'accurate' enough, so we have had to buy sets with the new translation in. You may notice a difference in the wording of some familiar passages. Thank you to everyone who made a donation towards the cost of these books; dedications are on the inside front cover. To all Readers; during all masses next weekend, we will invite you all up to the front to receive a blessing as part of us focussing on these new lectionaries. Four readers will also be asked to carry the books in procession at the beginning of Mass. To order a new Sunday Missal, visit: <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal/>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: during Advent, Confessions will be available at extra times in this season, to help us prepare spiritually for the celebration of Christmas; Sat 30th Nov, 7th Dec, 21st Dec 10am – 11am at St Augustine's. Also, we have a parish Reconciliation Service for Advent; Thursday 12th December, 6.30pm at Our Lady & St Edwards. Confessions are also being offered in our three parish primary schools and in Christ the King Secondary during Advent.

Job opportunity: at All Saints Parish, West Nottingham for a part-time administrator. 10 hours a week £13.32 per hour Monday & Friday with occasional evening meetings. For further info see the Diocesan website: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers

Please pray for:

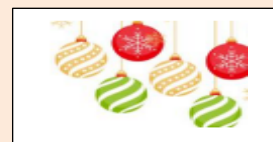
- The Presentation Sisters who celebrate their patronal feast on Thursday, in particular for Srs Philomena, Margaret and Treasa PBVM.
- All our parish musicians; St Cecilia is the patron saint of musicians and it is her feast day on Friday.
- The repose of the soul of Bernard Brady RIP. Formerly a priest of our diocese, he served for many years as Chaplain to Nottingham University. His funeral is Wednesday 20th, 10.30 at St Barnabas Cathedral.

This week:

- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre Thursday 12.00. All welcome
- Meditation Group: next meeting is on Thursday 21st November in Sacred Heart Parish Centre at 7.30 pm ALL WELCOME
- Memorial Mass: Saturday 23rd, we have our final November Memorial Mass, 10;30 at Sacred Heart. We invite all families who have had a funeral through the church this past year, but everyone is welcome to come along and remember loved ones who have died.

Wednesday Word: resources for children on this week's Sunday Gospel - <https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesdayword/faithfulness?pid=MTA101634&v=154.3>

Christmas decoration swap and craft event alongside refreshments after every Mass next Sunday 24th November. Refresh your Christmas decorations the Live Simply way by learning how to make your own from upcycled materials or providing a new home to those



Christmas Wreath Workshop: Thursday 5th December 6.30 pm at Our Lady & St Edward's meeting room. The cost includes all supplies is £30 per wreath. Tickets on sale from church.

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: We consider the theme of "spiritual combat". Prayer is not always easy, for our human nature is frequently distracted. Many of the saints experienced long periods of spiritual dryness and even darkness, teaching us that the only response to these temptations is greater perseverance. Saint Ignatius of Loyola uses military imagery to stress the importance of discipline, and Saint Anthony learned in the desert that although God may at times seem absent amid these struggles, he remains always at our side. In our daily efforts to persevere in prayer may we trust that our spiritual combat will bear fruit in a deeper and more mature relationship with the Lord.

Bishop Patrick is inviting all Young Adults across the diocese to 6.00pm Mass at Saint Barnabas Cathedral on Sunday 24th November. He will then join us for some social time afterwards. If you would like to support the Mass in some way – Altar Serving, Music, Welcome, etc, then please contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

St Augustine's garage: this coming Thursday, Friday and Saturday, work will take place to demolish the garage in St Augustine's car park. No longer used and in very poor condition (roof is falling in) this will free up some additional car parking space. Please note, the car park will be out of bounds during these days, with strictly no entry while work is taking place.

Holy Family Foodbank: are requesting; tinned meat, Weetabix, cereals, shampoo & shower gel and feminine hygiene products.

Thank you: to the painters of Our Lady & St Edward's Community room - it is looking great – just the skirting boards to do!!

Walk with me booklets for Advent are now available in the churches; £1

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What is Word of the Week? Every week, our Catholic schools have a particular word to focus on as part of their prayer life. Each word is linked into the Gospel for the corresponding Sunday. We will start including it in our parish bulletin as a way of us joining with our schools in having a focus for prayer.



CHILDREN IN NEED FUN

Thank you for supporting our House Captains and paying £1 for a non-uniform day to raise some money for Children in Need.

House captains challenged each class to be active in as many ways as possible including running, jumping, dancing. Thank you to Mr Jessop who supported the House Captains throughout the day too.

So far we have raised £162.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

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| Monday 18 th November | 9am (OLSE) | MASS May Maguire RIP |
| Tuesday 19 th November | 10am (SA) | MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion |
| Wednesday 20 th November | 6pm (SH) | MASS Holy Souls RIP |
| Thursday 21 st November Presentation of the BVM | 10am (OLSE) | MASS Holy Souls RIP; Mass is at Our Lady & St Edward's and will include the Presentation Sisters renewing their vows. |
| Friday 22 nd November St Cecilia | 9:15am (SH) | MASS Holy Souls RIP |
| Saturday 16 th November | 10:30am (SH) | VIGIL MASS Memorial Mass; Holy Souls RIP |
| Sunday 23 rd November Feast of Christ the King Day of prayer for young people | 9am(OLSE) 10:15am (SH) 11:30am (SA) | MASS Holy Souls RIP David & Eileen Sheppard RIP Michael & Zofia Szuciak & dec. grandchildren RIP |

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER AT 2:30PM

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY THEIR TEACHER TO BE IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

NURSERY: Janelle and Kaleb

RECEPTION: Freda and Kennelia

YEAR ONE: Michael and Tiffany

YEAR TWO: Adiel and Havanna

YEAR THREE: Nell and Nrayah

YEAR FOUR: John and Louise

YEAR FIVE: Hanelle and Kian

YEAR SIX: Axel and Sara

PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND