



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last week year 2 enjoyed a special visit from Luce, the Jubilee Mascot, with bright eyes of hope and her pilgrim's outfit - we shared the Jubilee Prayer together in and the message of love, peace and hope that it brings.

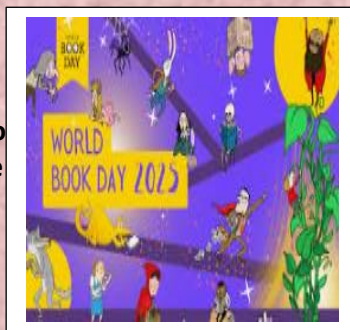
Today our Eco team lead us in our Celebration of the Word. They will launch Waste Week and remind us how we can use our leftovers to create new meals.

On Friday we celebrate World Book Day. On this day, children can dress as their favourite book character or wear their pyjamas.

They will listen to stories, take part in a book Quiz, create some artwork and enter the National competition to design a book Token. We will end the day with a Costume catwalk.

Please make a note of our remaining two INSET days this academic year. These are 28th and 29th July. School is closed for all children on these days.

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WORD OF THE WEEK: TEMPERANCE

Week 8 in Ordinary Time Year C

Cardinal Virtue

Temperance

First Reading
[Leviticus 19:9-10]

Gospel Reading
[Luke 6:37-45]

Responsory
[Psalm 138:1-4]

Prayer
[Matthew 4:3-4]

Temperance is about finding balance in our lives, enjoying God's gifts in moderation and avoiding excess. It's about self-control, discipline, and making choices that honour our bodies and souls. Temperance isn't about deprivation; it's about freedom from the things that hold us back from living a full and joyful life in Christ. When we practice temperance, we cultivate a deeper relationship with God and discover true happiness.

When you face a difficult situation this week, stop, take some time, and pray about what the right decision might be.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Futsal (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Dance (Year 1,2 and 3)	All day 3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Futsal (Year 1,2 and 3)	3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Badminton (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who supported our Chaplaincy Final Friday Tuck Shop. We have raised £72.50 which will be donated to the Parish Live Simply Group to support the work of Cafod.



RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next meeting for children and parents enrolled on the programme this year will take place on Monday 3rd March in the Community café. This will begin at 6 and finish at 7pm. If you cannot attend on this date, you must attend St Augustines on 4th March or Sacred Heart on 5th March.



ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

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

Well done to Reception who achieved 100% perfection attendance last week. Also, well done to Nursery, Year 1, Year 4 and Year 2 who all achieved above our school target with a super 98.9%, 98.3%, 97.5% and 97.3%

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
06.01.25			EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
13.01.25	17.01.25 Talent Show Auditions	13.01.25 Mass to celebrate Feast of Epiphany	
20.01.25	24.01.25 Talent Show Final	20.01.25 Blessed Cyprian Tansi Feast Day 20.01.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Discipleship 24.01.25 Jubilee Launch Day	
27.01.25		27.01.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Scripture 31.01.25 Celebration Assembly	
03.02.25	Children's Mental Health Week	03.02.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Humility 07.02.25: Celebration Assembly	
10.02.25	11.02.25 Safer Internet Day 14.02.25 INSET Day	10.02.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Diversity 11.02.25 Safer Internet Day Assembly 13.02.25 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly	
17.02.25	HALF TERM		
24.02.25		24.02.25 Word of the Week Assembly – Belonging 28.02.25: Celebration Assembly	
03.03.25	07.03.25 World Book Day	03.03.25 Word of the Week Assembly – Temperance 05.03.25 Ash Wednesday Mass in church 2pm	
10.03.25	British Science Week	10.03.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Prayer 10.03.25 Lent Reconciliation Service Year 4- 6	
17.03.25	19.03.25 – 21.03.25 The Briars residential year 6	17.03.25 Word of the Week Assembly – Fasting 21.03.25 Celebration Assembly	17.03.25 Parents Evening 1:15-6:30pm
24.03.25	24.03.25 Assessment Week 24.03.25 World Maths Day 28.03.25 Class photographs	24.03.25 Word of the Week Assembly - Almsgiving 28.03.25 Celebration Assembly	
31.03.25		31.03.25 Word of the Week Assembly – Sacrifice 03.04.25 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly 04.04.25 The Passion Led by year 6	

PUPIL VOICE

This week beginning 3rd March is 'Waste Week' and in school our focus is on reducing food waste. Our Eco Team has presented an assembly explaining the importance of not wasting food, giving the following top tips:

- ☑ Plan your meals and only buy food you need.
- ☑ Check how to store food so that it stays fresh.
- ☑ Use your left-overs.
- ☑ Compost food waste.
- ☑ Food has to be thrown away if it goes past its used by date but the best before date is a guide.
- ☑ Eat up! Although enough food is produced for every single person, 815million people in the world don't have enough to eat.



We are measuring our food waste at school this week and will be encouraging everyone to eat up their lunch! Forest School classes and our ECO team will be learning about composting and improving our use of food waste in school. Please find attached a recipe booklet for using leftovers.

The ECO team are setting everyone the challenge to eat a snack or meal made from leftovers this week – please send in photos of your leftover meals or even recipes we could share.

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PARISH NOTICES:

Lent in Holy Family Parish Ash Wednesday: this marks the beginning of Lent and we have three opportunities to come to Mass and receive ashes; 9.30am at Sacred Heart, 2.00pm at Our Lady & St Edward's and 6pm at Sacred Heart. At the first two Masses, we will be joined by pupils from the respective primary schools.

Lent is a season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving (helping those in need). Start to think about how you will mark this season through these three disciplines.

Stations of the Cross is a lovely devotion that we pray through Lent and we will pray it at different times in the week; Wednesday 2.30pm at Our Lady & St Edward's, Friday 9.45am at Sacred Heart (after Mass) and Friday 7pm at St Augustine's. Confessions will be offered at various times; • Saturday morning 10 – 11 at Sacred Heart • Monday 17th March at OLSE 3 – 5pm, • Tuesday 18th March at St Augustine's 3.30 – 5.30pm and • Wednesday 19th March at Sacred Heart 3 – 5pm. We will also have a parish Reconciliation Service with several priests hearing confessions; • Monday 24th March, 7pm at Sacred Heart.

Celtic spirituality is part of our heritage; come and discover more about these ancient roots of our faith through our Lenten reflection course; 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st & 8th April. All Tuesday evenings, 7 – 8pm at Our Lady & St Edward's Café. Please join us. You can hop in and out of the sessions – no need to be able to commit to all Tuesdays.

WALK WITH ME BOOKLET - A JOURNEY OF PRAYER FOR LENT £1 - available from church – begins Ash Wednesday 6th March. Calendars for children also available to take

Readvertised - One bedroomed flat at St Augustine's Church: available to rent from now at £700 per month including gas, water & internet charges. It has off-road parking, a new carpet & has recently been painted - suitable for one person or a couple. We are a working parish, so events/services do happen on site at various times. For all enquiries, please email the letting agent: anthony@arresidential.co.uk

Day Lenten Retreat: A Season of Hope and Rejoicing with Fr Thomas— Director of the Irenaeus Project, Liverpool on Saturday 29 March from 10- 4pm at Presentation Sisters Convent, Matlock. All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks and biscuits will be provided. Suggested donation £10 or whatever you can afford. Organised by the Friends of Nano Lay movement. For more information and to register contact associates@pbvmengland.co.uk or call (07565 171482)

Holy Family Parish International Cuisine Evening at St Augustine's on Saturday 26th April 7 pm. Would you be able to provide a sample of food from your country of origin? We have 47 nationalities in our parish and are hoping that 20 will provide some food for this event. Tickets will be on sale nearer the time. Please add your name, contact details and nationality to the list at the back of church or contact the office. Thank you.

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC TEACHERS: If you are a Catholic Teacher and currently working outside of Catholic education, you are invited to find out more about the exciting and rewarding opportunities in Catholic education within the Diocese of Nottingham at our virtual meeting on Wednesday 26th March 2025 7 – 8 pm. Contact; gill.burns@nottinghamdes.org.uk to reserve your place.

SOCIAL EVENTS MEETING: TUESDAY 11th MARCH 6.30 pm Sacred Heart Community Centre – To discuss events for this year, including our farewell to Fr Joe – all welcome!

Please pray for

- All children and families on the preparation for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion.
- The continued recovery of Pope Francis.
- All children being baptised this week
- Our adults preparing to be baptised and received into the church at Easter.

This week

- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.
- 1 st Holy Communion classes continue on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Live Simply Meeting – Tuesday 4th March 7.30 OLSE café • Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre Thursday 12.00. All welcome
- Meditation Group: our next meeting is on Thursday 6 th March in Sacred Heart Community Centre – 7.30 pm all welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY DATES COMING UP

Our Lady & St Edward's - first Sunday of the month – 2 nd March

Sacred Heart - Term time - next one 2 nd March & 9 th March

St Augustine's - twice monthly, next one 9 th March

Can you help deliver leaflets to new housing estates? To welcome people into our parish, we are distributing leaflets to new people in our area. Could you please deliver in the following areas? • Bardolph View Estate – near burton Joyce – 2 envelopes • Teal Park – 4 envelopes – near Victoria Retail Park These envelopes are at the back of Sacred Heart Church. If you are aware of any other new houses near you, contact the office for some leaflets!

Live Simply lunch: Tickets to book your place for the Live Simply meal social at Sacred Heart Community Centre, 1.30pm on Sunday 23rd March will be available after Sunday Masses. Come and enjoy a simple, tasty meal in good company and pay what you feel able on the day. Tickets are required to ensure we cater for the right number of people and avoid food waste so please only take a ticket if you intend to come and let us know if you have a ticket and then can't make it, send us an email: livesimply.holyfamily@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Thank you: Eve would like to say thank you to all those that bought cakes last weekend. She raised a fantastic amount of £140 which will go towards her travel costs to Lourdes with the Nottingham Diocesan Pilgrimage. Special thanks to Sue, Sister Patricia & Pauline who made cakes.



OUR LENT JOURNEY IN SCHOOL

This week we begin the season of Lent, where there will be many opportunities to reflect upon what the season of Lent means for us as Catholics and as Christians.

On Wednesday, we celebrate Mass together in church at 2pm. Thank you to our Chaplaincy Team who have planned it and lead us, in Scripture, prayer, reflection and song alongside Fr Joe. Ashes will be distributed during Mass. Throughout Lent, the children will be leading us in reflections:

10th March at 9:15am – led by Year 2 theme of prayer.

17th March at 2:30pm – led by Year 3 theme of fasting

24th March at 2:30pm - led by Year 4 theme of almsgiving

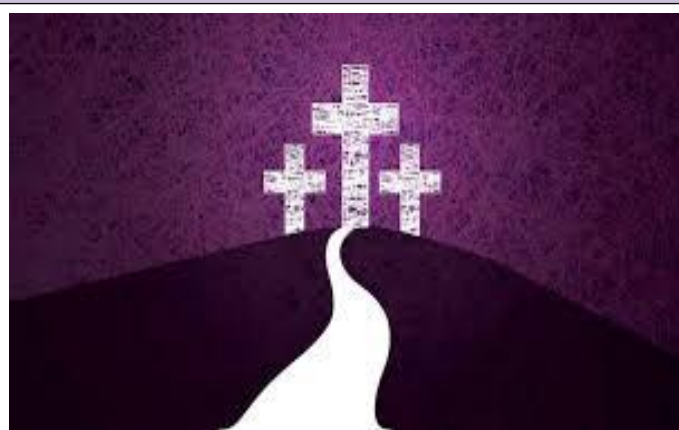
31st March at 2:30pm – led by Year 5 theme of sacrifice

4th April at 2:30pm – led by Year 6 theme of passion.

All families are welcome to join us.

Children in year 4, 5 and 6 will also have the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation on 10th March.

Thank you to Fr Joe who has made this possible.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 3 rd March	9am (OLSE)	MASS Fr John McKeon RIP
Tuesday 4 th March	10am (SA)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 5 th March Ash Wednesday	9.30am (SH) 12.00 (CTK) 2.00pm (OLSE) 6.00pm (SH)	MASS Danny Kelpie RIP Mass at Christ the King School; Fr Neville McClement RIP Phyllis Horan RIP James Greaney RIP
Thursday 6 th March	10am (SA) 7pm (The Good Shepherd)	MASS Betty Keown Jubilee Station Mass
Friday 7 th March	9:15am (SH)	MASS Mary Kate & Jack Dunbar RIP
Saturday 8 th March	12pm (OLSE)	VIGIL MASS Baptisms of Michael, Zainab, Giovanni & Bryan
Sunday 9 th March First Sunday of Lent	9am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11:30am (SA)	MASS Mary Saxilby RIP Martin Coyle RIP Mary Fitzmaurice RIP

Public Transport to Nottingham City:

At 10/11am Parliament Street, frequent buses that stop immediately outside the Good Shepherd Church.

25 via Smeaton, Carlton, Mapperton to Arnold & return.

Bus Services Continued:

66, 67, 68 to Arnold.

Frequent buses that stop at "The Vale" end of Thackeray's Lane.

As above with the addition of the 66 & The "Calverton Flyer".

The People of God & Clergy of Nottingham Deanery gathered with their Bishop at a Jubilee Year of Hope.

Welcome to the Good Shepherd Church, Thackeray's Lane, Woodthorpe, NG5 4HT

A Jubilee Station Celebration

On Thursday, 6th March, at 2025.

Adoration/Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Penance

5:45 pm—6:45 pm.

(Visiting Confessors from the Deanery)

Station Mass at 7:00 pm.

Celebrant: Rt. Rev. The Bishop & Concelebrating Clergy.

Refreshments to follow after Mass.