



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last week was a real mixture of weather, we saw some lovely sunshine but also some heavy downpours. Please ensure your child has a jacket with them, even if it is a thin waterproof jacket which can be kept in their bag as we do take them outside in light rain. We have also had requests from parents whose children left jumpers and cardigans in school prior to half term. Again, please ensure these are labelled with your child's name and class so they can be easily returned to them, without a name proves it more difficult for staff to locate these.

We are all taking part in Water Week as We raise awareness how we can save Water and protect the environment. Our Eco Team led us in an Assembly on Wednesday to launch the week. During this, they challenged us all to complete at least 5 of the water challenges at home as well as creating a Mexican Wave of Change.

They asked us all to wear blue on Friday and pay £1 per family which will be donated to Water Aid. Thank you for your contributions, so far we have raised £150.

Thank you to all the families from EYFS who joined us on Friday morning to share a book with your child. We look forward to seeing some of you again this week. We wish our girls football team luck as they play a match against Bluebell Hill School tonight. On Wednesday this week, Year 5 and 6 enjoy their second session of cricket which is being led by a coach from Nottinghamshire County Cricket.

Our remaining INSET Days of this academic year are 28th and 29th July. School will be closed for all children on these days.



WORD OF THE WEEK: PENTECOST

Pentecost Year C

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First Reading
Acts 2:1-11

Gospel Reading
John 14:26-28, 28b-26

Hydrus Bible
Ecclesiastes 16:19

Scripture
New Testament
Compline 12:38-712:13

Meaning
Pentecost is where we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. At Pentecost the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles in the form of tongues of fire, and they were filled with the Spirit and began to speak in other languages. This day is often referred to as the Church's birthday as it marks the moment when the disciples were inspired to go out into the world to share the good news, and to bring people to Christ.

Memory Verse
Find out how to say something nice in a new language this week and take opportunities to share good news with others.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Please collect at 4:30pm)	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Girls Football (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Lacrosse (Year 4, 5 and 6)	All day 3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tennis (Year 2 and 3)	3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Boys football (Year 4, 5 and 6) Mixed football (Reception and Yr 1)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	TB Sport:	3:15 - 4:30

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.

Last week Reception and Year 1 achieved perfect school attendance with 100%. Year 2 achieved 99% and Year 3 also achieved above our school target of 97% with 97.67% attendance.



25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OLSE

This year we celebrate two dedicated members of staff within our school community. Mrs Barfield and Miss Dyer have both worked at school for 25 years. They both started as mid-day supervisors before moving into working in the office and into the classroom. We thank them both for their service and the difference they have made to many families during this time. They were both presented with a card and flowers during Assembly this afternoon.

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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
21.04.25		25.04.25 Whole School Mass - Easter 2pm in church	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
28.04.25	28.04.25 Resurrection Rock led by Year 3 and 4 2:15pm 01.05.25 Year 5 Retreat - Joyful Mysteries Rosary	02.05.25 House Prize Afternoon	
05.05.25	05.05.25 Bank Holiday - school closed to all pupils 08.05.25 VE Day celebrations 08.05.25 Year 4 Retreat - Sorrowful mysteries Rosary 2pm	07.05.25 Rosary led by Year 5 2:40pm 09.05.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
12.05.25 KS2 SATs week	15.05.25 Year 6 Retreat - Glorious mysteries Rosary 05.23 Coronation Bank Holiday Monday, school is closed	14.05.25 Rosary led by Year 4 2:40pm 16.05.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
19.05.25		19.05.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 21.05.25 Rosary led by Year 6 23.05.25: Achiever's Assembly 10am	
26.05.24 HALF TERM			
02.06.25 Year 4 Times table checks	02.06.25 St Joan of Arc Feast Day 05.06.25 Year 3 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 06.06.25 Partake in school - Yr 1		04.06.25 New parents meeting at The Becket
09.06.25 Key Stage 1 Phonics screening	12.06.25 Year 2 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 13.06.25 Partake in school - Yr 3	09.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	
16.06.25	19.06.25 Year 1 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 20.06.25 St Alban Feast Day	16.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 20.06.25 :Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
23.06.25	26.06.25 Year 4 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope	23.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 27.06.24 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
30.06.25		30.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 04.07.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
07.07.25 Healthy Schools Fortnight	07.07.25 Transition Visits in school and Becket 08.07.25 year 6 visit The Becket	07.07.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 11.07.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
14.07.25 Healthy Schools Fortnight	15.07.25 Year 5 visit The Becket 17.07.25 Key Stage 2 Sports Day 1:30pm 18.07.25 EYFS / KS1 Sports Day 1:30pm	14.07.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	16.07.25 Year 6 Production - 6pm
21.07.25	21.07.25 Family picnic 12:15pm	23.07.25 Achievers Assembly 24.07.25 Year 6 Leaver's Mass 2pm 25.07.25 Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9:15am	

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PARISH NOTICES:

Mass Stipends: Asking for Mass to be offered for a specific intention is deeply rooted in our faith drawing on the Jewish practice of making an offering for prayers to be said for the dead (see 2 Maccabees 12:3-46). It is a beautiful way of asking our parish family to pray for that intention and, by giving an offering, you support the mission of the Church here in our parish. One Mass on every Sunday and holyday of obligation is be offered for all the people of our parish (Mass pro populo), something which every parish priest is obliged to do. Mass intentions are published in the bulletin each week. At the moment, we have a significant number of intentions for Mass, some dating back to last summer. In order to ensure all of these intentions are offered and prayed for, it is proposed to send some away to the retired priests of the diocese. These will be Masses that have not been requested on a specific date. A list of these is at the back of each of our churches, and if you see your intention there, and would like it to be said in our parish, please tick the sheet or email Diane regarding this. Going forward, please give at least six months' notice if you wish Mass to be offered for a specific intention on a specific day in a specific church; if it is not possible to offer the Mass on the requested date, e.g., if there is no Mass that day or there is already an intention, it will be offered as soon as is practicable, as it will if you do not have a specific date in mind. The minimum suggested Mass offering in the Diocese of Nottingham is £10.00. Please place your offering in one of the Mass offering envelopes which can be picked up from the back of our churches, complete it and either give to Fr Chris or put it in the collection baskets. Thank you.

First Holy Communion: over the next few weeks our young people will receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. The dates are as follows:

- Sunday 15th June: at Our Lady & St Edward's & St Augustine's
- Sunday 22nd June: at Our Lady & St Edward's and Sacred Heart
- Sunday 29th June: at Sacred Heart and St Augustine's

As a parish community, let's welcome and support these young disciples.

Sharing Your faith: you are invited on Wednesday 11th June at 7 pm to join the clergy of our diocese in reflecting on how we share our faith. Join the evening talk via Zoom from the Clergy Conference, given by Father Jon Bielawski and Michele Thompson, speaking about the Genesis Mission, a formation programme helping all Catholics share their faith in their daily encounters with the people in their lives. Bishop Patrick would like every parish to have a representative on the call. Could you be our parish representative? If so, let the office know. To register visit: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/genesis-mission-go-make-disciples

Mission Lab: 'Intertwining vocations' on Monday 16th June at 7pm. The next diocesan Mission Lab explores how our parishes can become communities where we discover our gifts and vocations and help others flourish in theirs, with an introduction to the Called & Gifted programme. Visit bit.ly/missionlab2025 to register for the series.

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi –led by our Parish Priest, Fr Chris Thomas. Flying from Birmingham on Monday 3rd November and returning Friday 7th with accommodation in Rome for 2 nights and 2 nights in Assisi. The cost is £1056 per person plus £135 for single supplement. **PLENTY OF SPACES - itinerary includes; procession through the Holy Doors, Mass in St Peter's, guided tour of the City, visiting the Catacombs and St Paul's outside the walls.**

Please pray for:

- **Gelsomina Mignano.** - Requiem Mass 10 am Wednesday 25 June 2025 at Sacred Heart.
- **Maureen Hopkins RIP** - funeral details to be confirmed.

This week

- **Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre** Thursday 12.00
- **Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's** Wednesday 12.00
- **Meditation Group:** our next meeting is on Thursday 12th June at 7.30pm on Zoom. Meeting ID: 517630879 Passcode: 6em01w at 7.30 pm. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/517630879?pwd=UysvOEIKSTBkVHINMWTMRDdkMEpUJz09> All Welcome

Wednesday Word: Resource for children

Fr Chris will be away from Tuesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon at the annual clergy conference with Bishop Patrick. Please keep all of the clergy in your prayers as they look to develop the Diocesan Pastoral Plan for our parishes and communities..

Day for Life: In this Jubilee year, the theme is "Hope Does Not Disappoint– Finding Meaning in Suffering", which allows us to reflect on the redemptive aspect of suffering, enduring suffering through hope, and accompanying others in their pain, like the Good Samaritan. We will be holding a **second collection next weekend** to support this cause.

CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS: A virtual information session about being a foundation governor in one of our Catholic schools is taking place on Wednesday 18 June from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Please see the poster on the parish notice board. For further information, please contact: Gill Burns at the Diocesan Education Service (gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk).

Piety stalls at all our churches are selling First Holy Communion cards and other items. Come and take a look.

The Ascent is coming to the Nottingham Diocese - the ASCENT is a three year discipleship process for Catholic young people in years 10-12 who want to embrace their faith in Jesus Christ at a whole new level and learn how to share it with others. At their heart they seek to disciple the few for the sake of the many so that the Gospel may reach the ends of the earth. Bookings are open now, visit www.theascentuk.co.uk/

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YEAR 1 VISIT THE SEASIDE

On Friday, Year 1 enjoyed a visit from Partake History as they stepped back 120 years in time to enjoy an Edwardian seaside.



FOREST SCHOOL FUN!!

Year 5 and 6 continue with their Forest School sessions this half term. Last week, it was all about the team work. They worked together to care for the fruit and vegetables in our garden and also enjoyed some team games in the church garden.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 9 th June	9am (OLSE)	MASS Kitty O'Sullivan RIP
Tuesday 10 th June	10am (SA)	MASS Patrick Roulsten RIP
Wednesday 11 th June St Barnabas	6pm (SH)	MASS Service of Word & Communion
Thursday 12 th June Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest	10am (SA)	MASS Service of Word & Communion
Friday 13 th June St Anthony of Padua	9:15am (SH)	MASS Brian Egan RIP
Saturday 14 th June	12 noon (OLSE)	MASS Marriage of Ricky & Rebecca
Sunday 15 th June The Most Holy Trinity	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11.30am (SA)	MASS Anthony Sheeran RIP People of the Parish Ridge Family's Intentions

ST JOAN OF ARC FEAST DAY

We returned to school after half term celebrating our house St Joan of Arc feast day. We are wearing our house colours and thank you Fr Chris for leading us in Mass. May we be courageous, stand up for what is right like she did and spend time in peace with Jesus too.

