

Class Saints

Linked to the **Principles of Catholic Social Teaching**, all classes have chosen a Saint to help to guide them in their school life. We want to celebrate the lives of the Saints and take guidance from how they lived their lives to make **Christ known to all.**

On the feast day of the class Saint, the class will hold a special celebratory day. They will have a non-uniform day; lead a special whole school assembly/Mass and have a celebration in the afternoon, learning more about and completing tasks linked to the lives and works of their chosen Saint.

All parents and members of the parish are warmly invited to the assembly.

Dates of Saints celebrations in school this Term

Reception—St Mary's, mother of Jesus—Friday 8th December

Year 4—St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Tuesday 19th September

Year 3— St Vincent De Paul Wednesday 27th September (Mass)

Year 5—St Therese of Lisieux—Monday 2nd October

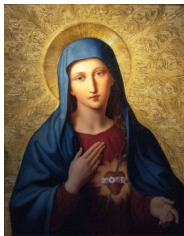
Year 1 — St Francis of Assisi—Tuesday 4th October (Mass)

The Holy Family



Nursery

St Mary



Reception

St. Francis of Assisi



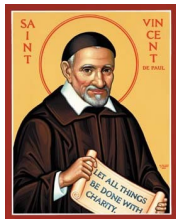
Class One

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



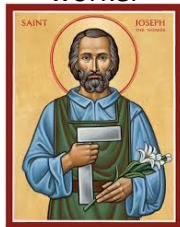
Class Two

St. Vincent De Paul



Class Three

St. Joseph, the worker



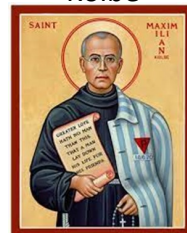
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St. Therese of Lisieux



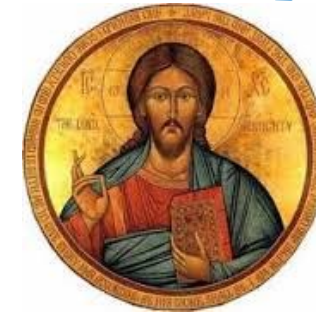
Class Five

St. Maximilian Kolbe



Class Six

School Worship Booklet



Autumn 2023

Many Hearts, one Accord

"Through the strength of God's love and the power of prayer we are guided to do whatever He tells us.

Many hearts, one accord, we grow and learn together for life to build the kingdom of God."

**Lord, bless our school
so that
working together, praying and playing
together
we may learn to serve you
and to serve one another.
Amen**



Mass and Assembly Dates

School Masses will take place on a weekly rota basis— led by Whole school, FS/KS1 or KS2.

All of these Masses take place on a Wednesday morning at 9.25am (unless otherwise stated).

We encourage all parents, grandparents and members of the parish to support these Masses where possible.

Wednesday 13th September	Whole School Mass
Wednesday 20th September	Year 5
Wednesday 27th September	Year 3 (Saint's day)
Wednesday 4th October	Year 1 (Saints day)
Wednesday 10th October	Year 4
Wednesday 17th October	Year 6
Wednesday 25th October	Year 2
Wednesday 15th November	Year 1
Wednesday 22nd November	Year 2
Wednesday 29th November	Year 5
Wednesday 6th December	Year 6
Wednesday 13th December	Year 3
Wednesday 20th December	Whole School Mass



Please join us as we pray the Rosary every morning throughout the month of October. All parents and children are very welcome to join us in this powerful prayer to Our Lady. The club begins at 8:30am every morning in the key stage one library.

School contacts: RE Team—Mrs Scattergood—RE Leader Mrs Massey—Parish Liaison. We welcome any suggestions for further enhancement of the Catholic Life of the School.

If you have any queries, please make contact through the school office.

The school Discipleship Team, supported by the Minnie Vinnies after school club, have got a very busy term ahead! They have, last week, already boxed up 30 **Bibles** and delivered them to the Dominican Sisters in Stone. We have been lucky to have new Bibles, in school, to help us with our studies and we were really pleased that the Sisters have found a charity home, supporting Religious Education in Africa, for our pre-loved copies!

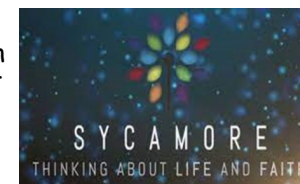


In the next few weeks we will be speaking to the Sacramental groups in Year 3 (*First Holy Communion*) and in Year 6 (*Confirmation*) regarding the next step in their Religious journey. We have **confirmed dates** for both Sacraments which will take place at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 2024. First Holy Communion will be on Saturday 11th May and Confirmation will be on Saturday 15th June.



We will keep you updated with the dates of school meetings to share information and to discuss the sacraments in more detail.

We will, once again this year, be holding **parental sessions** for all parents of Sacramental children, year groups 3 and 6, following the Sycamore Programme. The Sycamore Program helps you, as an individual, to reflect upon your own faith journey and to learn more about the Catholic Faith, what we do and why we do it.



These sessions are informal gatherings, with refreshments, based upon open discussion and personal reflection.

The sessions are led by Mrs. Scattergood and Mrs. Massey, dates and times to be confirmed.



We are also excited to announce the return of **Family Mass** at St. Mary's Catholic Church. The first of which will take place in October, 2023; look out for the date!

During the first family Mass, the Sacramental children from Year 3 and Year 6 will confirm their commitment in a special '**Mass of Commitment**' section of the Mass, sharing their commitment with the Parish!