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# ENGLISH MARTYRS NEWSLETTER

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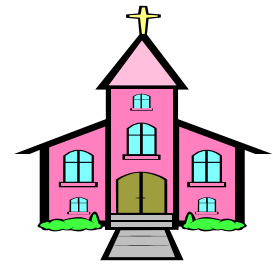
30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

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## PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening:	St. Austin's	6.15 p.m.
Sunday Morning:	St. Austin's	8.15 a.m.
	English Martyrs	9.30 a.m.
	St. Austin's	11.00 a.m.
Polish Mass:	St. Austin's	3.30 p.m.
Sunday Evening:	St. Austin's	6.00 p.m.



**Statement to Live By: I can laugh and have fun.**

**Overall school attendance for this academic year so far is 95.7% This is very slightly above the National Average (95.6%).**

**Attendance for last week was 93.9% - well below the National Average - please make every effort to attend school where possible.**

## DIARY DATES

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October - CAFOD FAST Day - 1:30pm Liturgy 2:15pm Auction

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Nursery Stay n Play for Jan 2017 starters

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October - School Closes for Half Term (21<sup>st</sup> is an inset day)

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October - School Reopens - Winter Uniform Please

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Nursery Stay n Play Day 2 for Jan 2017 starters

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Y6 Mass for All Saints (11am) - Parents Welcome

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Nursery Stay n Play Day 3 for Jan 2017 starters

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Red, White and Blue Day £1 donation to support 3 military charities  
Bulb planting in Remembrance of November Dead List and  
Remembrance Liturgy 1:30pm

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Individual School Photographs

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Consultation Nursery - Year 6 1:30-6:30pm  
(3-3:30pm break - no appts)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Nursery Stay n Play Day 4 for Jan 2017 starters

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Nursery Stay n Play Day 5 for Jan 2017 starters

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November - Nursery Home Visits - Nursery Closed

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Daily Advent Assembly & Walking Cribs start

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Nursery Home Visits - Nursery Closed

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Nativity (2:15pm and 6pm)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December - Foundation Stage Nativity - Reception and morning Nursery -  
9:30am.

Foundation Stage Tableau and carols with afternoon Nursery  
2:30pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Years 3&4 Christmas Production 2:15pm

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5&6 Christmas Reflection 2:15pm

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Fayre 3:30-5pm

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Grandparents and senior parishioners party 1:15pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term Mass 9:30am

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December - School closes for Christmas

### **FUTURE NEWSLETTERS**

If you don't already receive this newsletter by email and would like to help school reduce printing costs please let us have your email address.

### **Contact telephone numbers**

The start of the new academic year is a good time to forward new contact numbers. Ideally, a landline number as well as mobile as sometimes mobiles can be out of range or recharging.

**COMMUNITY GROUP** – meet every Monday during term time in Parish Centre 3-5pm. All welcome.

**TEACHER/PARENT WELCOME** – Thank you to all parents who attended the meeting yesterday. If you would like a teacher pack please contact school.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AUTUMN TERM 2016**

Clubs will run for YReception to apply for in the Spring Term

Club	Member of staff leading	Year group	Day
Netball – places available	Miss McGee	Y5 & Y6	Monday
Gardening Club – 24 places – <b>FULL</b>	Mrs Delany & Miss Keighley	Y1-Y6	Monday
Rugby – places available	Mr O'Brien & Mr Bamford	Y4, Y5 & Y6	Monday
Russian – <b>FULL</b>	Mrs O'Brien	Y1-Y6	Monday
Multiskills – places available	Mr Bamford (PE Coach)	Y1 & Y2	Tuesday
Construction Club – <b>FULL</b>	Miss Mountain/Mr Salkow	Y1-Y6	Wednesday
Computer Club – <b>FULL</b>	Miss Starkey	Y3-Y6	Wednesday
Dance – 24 places <b>FULL</b>	Mrs Mayfield	Y3-Y6	Thursday
Eco Club – 20 places, £2.50 per term for resources – places available	Mrs Perkins	Y1-Y6	Thursday
Choir – places available	Mrs Wainwright	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	Thursday
Study Club – places available	Mrs Clarke	Y6	Thursday
Football – places available	Mr Donnelly	Y4, Y5, Y6	Friday
Karate	Sensei John		Friday
Bible Club – places available	Miss Delany		Friday 12-12:30



## STARS OF THE WEEK

Elizabeth

**Reception - Jan** - Jan has tried super hard to use his loud voice in class and we love hearing him chatting away! He has beautiful manners and is always ready to learn.

**Year 1 - Mason** - Mason is a superstar in Year 1. He is sensible, always sitting nicely ready to learn and he puts his hand up to share his ideas with confidence. Keep up the positive attitude Mason.

**Year 2 - Elizabeth** - Elizabeth is such a sensible and caring member of Year 2. She is always ready to learn and she always tries her best in all her lessons. This week she has done some fabulous character description of Fantastic Mr Fox - well done Elizabeth!

**Year 3 - Marcus** - Marcus has been a mathematical superstar this week. He has shown a good understanding of place value and has been rounding numbers effectively. Well done Marcus!

**Year 4 - Alistair** - Alistair is an exemplary member of Year 4. He always makes the right choices, works hard and always listens and has shown great promise for a very successful Year 4 ahead.

**Year 5 - Daisy** - Great work and discussion whenever we read our class text. Daisy shows a real understanding of life in the Victorian period. A good written newspaper report produced also.

**Year 6 - Rae** - Rae has had a fabulous first month in Year 6. She is a mature young lady who has applied herself superbly to all tasks. In particular, her RE work this week was amazing - a fantastic modern day parable of the prodigal daughter. Keep up the effort.

Our Mini Vinnie children enjoyed a trip to Leeds Cathedral this week to celebrate mass with the Bishop.

Bishop Marcus thanked the Mini Vinnie groups across the diocese for building a better world for us all through their care and concern for others.

We then all passed through the Holy Door of Mercy as a symbolic gesture to dedicate ourselves to being merciful towards others.

Well done children! You were a credit to our school!

Everyone is invited to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral to pass through the Holy Door.

Pope Francis wrote:

"The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us."

## **NOTICES FROM DIOCESE OF LEEDS**

Celebration of Married Life: On Saturday 1st October, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden) and 60th (Diamond) wedding anniversaries this year. The 6 pm Mass will fulfil the Sunday Obligation and there will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part, please fill out the application form, available at the back of church and send it to Mrs J Baker, Bishop's House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR - 0113 230 4533 or email it to [bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) by Tuesday, 6th September.

St Mary of the Angels Torchlight Procession Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Led by Rt. Rev. Marcus Stock, Bishop of Leeds – Remembering out late MP, Jo Cox (RIP) starts 7:30pm at Batley Market Square processing to St Mary of the Angels' Church – followed by light refreshments – All welcome.

Retreat at The Briery "Mystic of Brokenness - An Introduction to the Spirituality of St. Paul of the Cross" by Fr. Paul Francis Spencer, C.P. 21st-23rd October 2016 - Contact details: 01943 607287 / booking form in school office.

WALK ST WILFRID'S WAY. Stephen Habron's "Leeds Cathedral to Ripon Camino" is to be an official Diocesan Pilgrimage: be part of the inaugural launch! Walkers AND supporters to gather at Leeds Cathedral for setting off at 8 am on Thursday, 6 October. Walk either all or ANY part of the Camino (staying overnight en route OR going home) - to arrive at Ripon Cathedral in good time for the 11 am Mass on Saturday 8 October. Supporters providing hospitality, sustenance or transport are pilgrims too - and especially welcome! Email: [communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) for details.

The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and Fr. Christopher Angel, Parish Priest of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Mission, Bradford warmly invite you to the Bishop's blessing of the new St. Pio Friary on Sunday, October 2nd, at 3pm. Bishop Marcus will be coming to bless the new friary at St. Patrick's Mission (BD1 2RU) together with our new Marian Grotto. Tours of the Friary will be available with light refreshments to follow.

Bulletin Notice: The Friends of the Holy Land, - Regional Meeting, will be held at Leeds Cathedral, Wheeler Hall, LS2 8BE on Saturday, 15 October from 10am-4pm with Bishop Marcus and will include a talk from FHL Chairman Peter Rand on his recent visit to the Holy Land. The event is free and includes lunch and refreshments. For any further information or to book a place contact the FHL office on 01926 512980 or email: [office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](mailto:office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk)

Nightfever: Leeds Cathedral, Friday, 7 October, 5:30pm - 10pm. There will be Mass, Adoration, music and prayer. Volunteers will invite people into the Cathedral to light a candle and pray if they wish. Priests will be available for conversations and/or confession. More information at [www.nightfever.org](http://www.nightfever.org). To volunteer, contact [nightfeverleeds@outlook.com](mailto:nightfeverleeds@outlook.com)