
ENGLISH MARTYRS NEWSLETTER

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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 think before I make choices that affect my health.

Overall school attendance for this academic year so far is 95.2% This is very slightly below the National Average (95.6%).

Attendance for last week was 93.5% - well below the National Average - please make every effort to attend school where possible.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 22nd November - Nursery Stay n Play Day 5 for Jan 2017 starters

Friday 25th November - Nursery Home Visits - Nursery Closed

Monday 28th November - Daily Advent Assembly & Walking Cribbs start

Friday 2nd December - Nursery Home Visits - Nursery Closed

Tuesday 6th December - KS1 Nativity (2:15pm and 6pm)

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

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

Thursday 8th December - Years 3&4 Christmas Production 2:15pm

Friday 9th December - Year 5&6 Christmas Reflection 2:15pm

Friday 9th December - Christmas Fayre 3:30-5pm

Monday 12th December - Grandparents and senior parishioners party 2pm

Friday 16th December - End of Term Mass 9:30am

Wednesday 21st December - School closes for Christmas

SCHOOL SAVINGS CLUB

If you would like your child to join the School Savings Club please complete the form on the leaflet and return it to school in order to receive a Leeds Credit Union Young Savers Account application form.

NURSERY PLACES

Places are available in Nursery - call at the school office for an application form.

This Sunday concludes the special Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis and this Sunday the gospel reminds us that the kingship of Jesus is not built on military or political power but on the virtues of mercy and love. He shows mercy to those who crucified Him and to those crucified alongside Him. Although it is the last Sunday of the Year of Mercy and the last Sunday of the Church's year, we are reminded by Pope Francis that "Mercy is the very foundation of the Church's life. May every community be a place of mercy." If we are able to show mercy, then in doing so we open ourselves to receive the mercy of God. Every good deed we do out of love and care for others, which assist in making the world a better place, the Church see these good deeds as works of mercy.

Making time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the season of Advent is something we are encouraged to do, encouraging us to be merciful to others, whilst bringing us great peace.

PHOTOGRAPHS

On Monday school photographers were in school to take individual and family photos that we know many of you treasure and of course they provide a lovely extra Christmas present for relatives.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - letter will be distributed Monday

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended parent consultations on Tuesday. If you were unable to attend on that date but would like an appointment, please can you contact the school office to make a mutually convenient appointment.

Parent questionnaires were distributed during the evening - please can you return these by Friday 25 November so that we can collate the findings.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Club	Member of staff leading	Year group	Day
Gardening Club – 24 places – FULL	Mrs Delany & Miss Keighley	Y1-Y6	Monday
Rugby – places available	Mr O'Brien & Mr Bamford	Y4, Y5 & Y6	Monday
Russian – FULL	Mrs O'Brien	Y1-Y6	Monday
Study Club	Mrs Clarke	Y6	Monday
Multiskills – places available	Mr Bamford (PE Coach)	Y1 & Y2	Tuesday
Construction Club – FULL	Miss Mountain/Mr Salkow	Y1-Y6	Wednesday
Educational Computer Games – FULL	Miss Starkey	YR-Y3	Wednesday
Netball - FULL	Miss McGee	Y5&Y6	Wednesday
Karate	Sensei Graham		Friday
Bible Club – places available	Miss Delany		Friday 12-12:30

Football Club cancelled until further notice.

If any parent/carers is able to volunteer to run Football Club for KS2, please contact the office.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Brooklyn

Reception - Isabella - I am so happy to have Isabella in my class. She is a little ray of sunshine who always brightens the day with her beautiful smile. She works so hard and always does the right thing.

Year 1 - Esmail - Esmail is a pleasure to have in Year 1. She always tries her best and tackles every activity with 100% effort without needing any extra encouragement. She also shared some lovely ideas in her RE writing this week.

Year 2 - Kian - Kian is such a wonderful ray of sunshine. He always brightens my day with his beautiful manners and great big smile. Kian has amazing art skills and is trying really hard in all areas of learning. He is such a pleasure to teach!

Year 3 - Ryan - I am extremely impressed with Ryan's mature attitude to school life. He is giving 100% in all tasks set and trying his very best to be a mature Year 3 pupil. Keep it up Ryan!

Year 4 - Brooklyn - Brooklyn has been applying himself to his learning amazingly well. He is a hard-worker who has really been 'going the extra mile' lately. Keep it up Brooklyn.

Year 5 - Casey - Casey is a pleasure to have in Year 5. She always has a smile on her face and tries her best. She is a real example to younger children and should be extremely proud of herself.

Year 6 - Ruby - Ruby is an amazing asset to Year 6. Helpful, organised, motivated, keen and always ready to learn. She is an excellent role model as a prefect. Ruby is a thoughtful, caring pupil as demonstrated in a recent poem written about World War I. Keep up this fantastic effort Ruby.

COMMUNITY GROUP - meet every Monday during term time in Parish Centre 3-5pm. All welcome. This Monday's activities included Santa letters and nativity projects.

NOTICES FROM DIOCESE OF LEEDS

1. Catholic Care invite you to join them for their fundraising event of the year at their fun and festive Christmas Party Night to be held on Saturday 26th November 2016 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Leeds. Tickets £25 per person include a 3 course meal, wine and dancing. Please contact Joanne on 0113 388 5400 or joanne.cunningham@catholic-care.org.uk (Catholic Care ask if this could be in your bulletins for the next 3 weeks). Poster and menu order available at school office.

2. Do you believe we should cherish the blessings of age? Do you think parishes need more support to help value the gifts of older people? If your answer is 'YES', Growing Old Grace-fully, the charity working to support Later-Life-Friendly Parishes in our Diocese, would love to talk to you. We are looking for Trustees to help as we develop new ideas and deliver new projects. For information email: growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or speak to Rachel on 07702 255142.

3. WILLIAM GORDON WHEELER: A JOURNEY INTO THE FULLNESS OF FAITH Dr James Hagerty's new illustrated biography of Bishop Wheeler, seventh Bishop of Leeds, is now available from St. Paul's Bookshop, Hinsley Hall, or from Gracewing, 2 Southern Avenue, Leominster HR6 0QF. Price £20 (p&p free in UK)

4. Refugee Crisis: If you would like to become more involved with the Diocesan response to the continuing refugee crisis and severe hardship being suffered by those fleeing war - an information evening will be held at Hinsley Hall, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds, LS6 2BX on Wednesday, 30th November 2016 7.30-8.30 pm. Please make sure your Parish is represented and continues to be practically involved.



St George's
Community Centre
Calling all young people
Aged 8yrs to 14yrs

Following our successful summer's Drama and Music Project, we are running

"Hear Our Voices" Project

(singing with Gemma Whelan)

Starts on Monday 7 November 2016

5pm to 6pm

Cost 50 pence a session

If you have any questions please contact

Wayne or Joe on 01924 369631.

Please Ring to Confirm Your Place - Numbers Are Limited (we will have a reserve list)

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