Diary Dates -1st December 2023





Prayer



We keep Alfie Lewis and his family and friends in our prayers as he is laid to rest today.

Month's Mind Mass

Following the recent tragic death of Alfie Lewis, a former pupil, we will be having a Mass on Thursday 7th December at 5pm at St Mary's church, dedicated to him. A Month's Mind Mass is a Mass said for the repose of the soul of a person on about the 30th day after the person's death. This Mass is open to all in our community, all children and adults are welcome.

Family Mass

We are excited for our next family Mass on Sunday 3rd December at 11.00am at St Mary's Church. This is an opportunity for our families to come together for Mass for the start of Advent.

Christmas jumper day

On Friday, the children can wear a Christmas jumper and non-uniform to come to school. We ask all children to donate £1 to go to Save the Children.

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Sunday	3	11.00am	Family Mass in church*
Tuesday	5		Year 4 Rewind to Christmas
Tuesday	5	2.00pm	Year 5 and Year 6 Advent workshop*
Wednesday	6	9.30am	Pantomime
Thursday	7	9.15am	Year 4 lead Jesse Tree worship* please note change in year
Thursday	7		Y6 rugby tournament
Friday	8		Bring a chocolate bar for the Christmas fair
Friday	8		Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day - £1 donation
Friday	8	2.00pm	Reception Advent workshop*
Monday	11		Refugee presents donations close
Tuesday	12	2.15pm	Year 1 and Year 2 nativity* collection for St George's Crypt
Wednesday	13		Flu vaccines
Thursday	14	9.15am	Year 6 lead Jesse Tree worship* please note change in year
Thursday	14	2.30pm	Reception nativity* collection for St George's Crypt
Friday	15	2.30pm	Christmas Fair*
Monday	18	5.00pm	Key Stage 2 Carol Service led by Year 5* collection for St George's
			Crypt
Tuesday	19		Reindeer Run – sponsored event for St George's Crypt – wear PE kit
Tuesday	19	2.00pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Advent workshop*
Wednesday	20	9.15am	Year 3 lead Jesse Tree worship*
Thursday	21		Christmas party day – party clothes
Friday	22		Non uniform – thank you for all charity donations
Friday	22	9.30am	Whole School Mass led by Year 4*
Friday	22	2.30pm	Carols in the hall
Friday	22		School closes

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St. Mary's Horsforth Catholic Voluntary Academy

Headteacher Awards

Virtue Awards - Hope

Reception - Wilf H & Bradley B

Year 1 - Tommaso F & Sienna B

Year 2 – Aida DR & Zayaan K

Year 3 – Laurel B & Harry E

Year 4 - Willow W & Amelia S

Year 5 - Will R & Amber T

Year 6 - Oscar E & Jennifer Q

Reception - Charlotte LB

Year 1 – Mollie M

Year 2 - Aamir S

Year 3 - Hannah B

Year 4 – Florence D

Year 5 - Isla S

Year 6 - Tiffany Y

Parish News

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA!

Father Melaku from the Comboni Missionaries (Verona Fathers) will be talking at all Masses on Sunday 10th December about the development of Nekemte Primary School in western Ethiopia which will provide high quality education to disadvantaged primary and, eventually, high school pupils. The first phase of the building is complete, but the classrooms need to be furnished for the first intake in September 2024. Gifts to help this happen can be purchased for family and friends – see the poster at the back of church. Please pick up an order form or contact Fr Melaku (07572 626887 or melakutafessea@yahoo.com).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ADVENT WORKSHOPS

un 10th December in St. Mary's school hall from 2pm until approximately 4pm. All children from OLK parish are welcome! The cost for the workshop is £3.50 per child. There are still places available but please do return the booking form asap so we can plan. Can I offer some help? Yes please! If you can help in any way, whether running a stall, making refreshments, or helping beforehand, then please let us know. All help will be greatly appreciated.

HORSFORTH CHORAL SOCIETY

Carols & Brass with the YEP Brass ensemble. Tuesday 12th December 7.30pm. St Margaret's Church, Horsforth. Admission £5 on the door (students £2, under 18's free). All welcome. LEEDS CATHEDRAL ADVENT DAY OF RECONCILIATION Tuesday 19th December, 7am to 7pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday Vigil)

Holy Name 6.30pm St. Mary's 8.15am Holy Name 9.00am Assumption 9.45am St Mary's 11.00am Holy Name 11.15am