



Reflection



This Sunday, we hear how a group of religious leaders try to catch Jesus out but he shows them and us a different way of thinking.

In this gospel story, Jesus is showing us that God sees things differently to us. We believe that in God's Kingdom everyone is treated equally and fairly, whether they are men, women, girls or boys. However, we know that this doesn't always happen in our world right now.

If we all treat each other fairly and as we would like to be treated, perhaps we can start to reflect a little bit of God's Kingdom here on earth.

What will you do this week to reflect God's Kingdom of love and fairness here on earth?

Prayer: God of heaven and earth, your Kingdom has room for us all. May we see each other through your eyes. Amen.

Family Mass

All our families are warmly invited to come together with the parish for the first Sunday of Advent on Sunday 27 November.



LAST CHANCE

ST MARY'S FIREWORK DISPLAY

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO SEE YOU ALL ON MONDAY. THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO HAS PURCHASED TICKETS SO FAR.

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE A COUPLE OF KEY THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- 🔥 Ticket sales close on Sunday 6th November & there will be no tickets available on the gate.
- 🔥 We will have stalls selling hot food, (chilli, curry & hot dogs) hot and cold drinks, sweets and snacks.
- 🔥 We will also have our fabulous Glow Shop with glow sticks, glow glasses and wands!
- 🔥 All stalls are cash only so please bring change.

MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER
GATES OPEN 6:15PM
ARRIVE BY 6:45PM

<https://stmarys-horsforth-pa.sumupstore.com/>

Firework display

We look forward to seeing you at the St Mary's PTA firework display on Monday. Please see reminders attached.

Busy half term

This half term is an extremely busy half term as we continue to work hard across the curriculum but also enter the very special season of Advent and prepare for Christmas. There are many key dates for parents this half term which can be found below but include Advent workshops, nativities and the KS2 carol service. Please make a note of these dates so you can be part of this very exciting, special time.

School calendar 2023-2024

The academic calendar for 2023-2024 is now on the [school website](#).

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Poppies

Poppies will be on sale every day next week. Please send your child with money in a named sealed envelope if you would like your child to purchase one in advance of Remembrance Sunday on Sunday 13 November.

Parent's Evening feedback

What is the most important information we can tell you about your child?

	Least important	Not very important	Quite important	Extremely important	Extremely important
The subjects they are learning about.	2%	5%	22%	38%	32%
Their progress compared to their age related expectations.	0%	0.97%	9.71%	41.75%	46.57%
Their wellbeing and engagement.	0%	0%	1.94%	16.50%	81.55%
Their achievement in reading, writing and maths.	0%	0%	19.42%	48.54%	32.04%
What you could do at home to support your child.	0%	0%	6.80%	44.66%	48.54%

Question	Yes	No
Following your parent's evening appointment, do you have information about how your child has settled into their new year group?	99.03%	0.97%
Following your parent's evening appointment, do you know how well your child is doing in relation to the age related expectations for their year group?	97.09%	2.91%
Following your parent's evening appointment, were you given guidance and support on how to help your child to improve?	99.01%	0.99%
Do you find the parent information evenings useful to help you to support your child?	95%	5%
Did you attend the English parent meeting for your child's year group?	57.28%	42.72%
Would you prefer the maths parent meeting in spring to be via Zoom to allow easier access and the ability to have the meeting recorded?	82.35%	17.65%
Do you know more about what your child is learning this half term from the printed out knowledge organisers sent home in September?	95.10%	4.90%

Actions from feedback:

- Ensure wellbeing and engagement are a priority at parents evening feedback in March.
- Ensure how parents can support children at home is a priority at parents evening feedback in March and throughout the year.
- Keep maths parent meetings to Zoom to ensure parents can access live or recorded versions.
- Continue to send home knowledge organisers each half term.

Additional comments were all overwhelmingly positive which is wonderful to hear and very much appreciated by the class teachers. One comment felt a 15 minute appointment would be better however that would mean parents evening would take nearly 8 hours in total compared to the current 5 which has a huge impact on the teacher's work life balance. Many schools only allocate 5 minutes for the first parents evening which we do not feel is appropriate for our school. If you ever have further questions or wish to speak to the class teacher, please contact the school office via phone or email and the class teacher will speak to you at their earliest convenience.

Headteacher Awards

Reception – Alfred C & Jacob C

Year 1 – Hugo H & Ella L

Year 2 – Grace H & Betty T

Year 3 – Florence D & Ronan C

Year 4 – George B & Amos McC

Year 5 – Mehrsam M & Charlotte C

Year 6 – Evie B & Florence H

Virtue Awards – Prayer

Reception – Theo T

Year 1 – Jack Y

Year 2 – Liam T

Year 3 – Charlie P

Year 4 – Clíodhna K-E

Year 5 – Coen M

Year 6 – Sienna S

Diary Dates

Please note changes or additions in red.

*denotes parents welcome

November

Monday	7	9.30am	Open Day for new Reception*
Wednesday	9	1.30pm	Open Day for new Reception*
Thursday	10	9.15am	Year 3 class assembly*
Friday	11	9.30am	Whole school Mass led by Year 5*
Monday	14	4.00pm	Year 6 SATs parent meeting via Zoom*
W/B	14		Antibullying week
Wednesday	16	9.15am	E safety parent meeting via Zoom with School Council*
Wednesday	16	4.00pm	Year 1 Phonic screening check meeting via Zoom*
Friday	18		Bring a chocolate bar to come in non-uniform
Monday	21		Christmas jumper donations in
Tuesday	22	4.00pm	Year 2 SATs parent meeting via Zoom*
Thursday	24	9.15am	Year 4 class assembly*
Friday	25		Woolly hat campaign launched
Friday	25	3.00pm	Christmas jumper swap shop*
Friday	25		Bring evergreen for Advent wreaths
Sunday	27	11.00am	Family Mass*
Monday	28		Bring a Christmas bauble in for the tree (new pupils only)
W/b	28		Year 6 Reconciliation
Tuesday	29	3.30pm	Reception maths parent meeting*

December

Thursday	1		Refugee presents open
Thursday	1	9.15am	Year 6 lead Jesse Tree worship*
Thursday	1	2.00pm	Reception Advent workshop*
Friday	2	2.30pm	Christmas Fair*
Monday	5	2.00pm	Year 5 and Year 6 Advent workshop*



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Tuesday	6		Year 1 Class Saint Day – St Nicholas
Tuesday	6	2.15pm	Year 1 and Year 2 nativity*
Thursday	6		Year 4 Rewind to Christmas
Wednesday	7	9.30am	Pantomime
Wednesday	7	2.00pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Advent workshop*
Thursday	8	9.15am	Year 4 lead Jesse Tree worship*
Thursday	8	2.15pm	Reception nativity*
Friday	9		Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day
Friday	9	2.00pm	Year 3 and Year 4 Advent workshop*
Friday	9		Donations for Refugee presents close
Monday	12	5.00pm	Key Stage 2 Carol Service led by Year 5*
Thursday	15	9.15am	Year 3 lead Jesse Tree worship*
Thursday	15		Christmas party day – party clothes
Friday	16	9.30am	Whole School Mass led by Year 4*
Friday	16	2.30pm	Carols in the hall
Friday	16		School closes

Parish News

HOLY NAME SVP CONFERENCE

If anyone is struggling due to the rise in the cost of living or with any other issues, we might be able to help. Contact us on 07790428355.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Everyone welcome! Every Sunday in Holy Name Hall after the 9am Mass and in the Assumption hall following the 9.45am Mass. At St Mary's coffee mornings after the 8.15 Mass are once a month and will be announce the week before. We are looking to restart refreshments in the hall after the 11am Mass at St Mary's. If you would be able to join the rota please contact Amanda as soon as possible.

OLK SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

We urgently need parishioners to consider volunteering for this important role. A safeguarding representative has a special responsibility for promoting good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people, and vulnerable adults. The role also includes ensuring that all volunteers in the parish have current DBS checks so would need someone who has good administrative skills. If you feel you can take on this role or would like more information, please speak to one of our priests or the safeguarding office at Hinsley Hall on 0113 2618046.

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