



Reflection

This Sunday, we hear Jesus telling people what it is he has come to do. One of the things he says is that he has come to bring good news to people who are poor. Our faith calls us to do the same.

Jesus is teaching in the synagogue. He reads a passage from the Scriptures which is about himself. The Scripture passage talks about what Jesus has been sent to do. It says that he has come to bring good news to people who are poor.

Good news means different things to different people. It can be confidence, peace, enough food, light in the darkness, doing well at school, getting to spend the day with friends.

We are all God's children. God loves us all. No matter where in the world we are, whether we are rich or poor, and we should all have the chance to live in a world of peace, dignity and fairness. This is the good news of Jesus.

Prayer: Loving God, you sent your Son Jesus to share the good news of your love for everyone. May we also share this good news through our words and all that we do. Amen.

Over the period of Advent we asked for many donations for different charities from our families and it has been lovely to get the below thanks from the Woolly Hat Campaign and from the donations of presents for refugees.

Woolly Hat Campaign thank you

Please see below for a message of thanks for all the donations our families sent in during Advent for the Woolly Hat campaign.

Thank you so much to the families and the pupils who collected so many things to give to the seafarers. Thank you to the Mini Vinnies as well who helped pack the hats. Your generosity made such a difference to those seafarers who are away from their families at Christmas and helped them to enjoy their celebrations.





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Refugee presents thank you

Please see below for a message of thanks for the donations of presents that families sent in for Refugees.

I want to thank you for the lovely Christmas presents which you sent to children who have so much less than you do.

I thought you might like to hear a little about one of the children who received a present from you. I will call him Elijah. He lives on the other side of Leeds with his mother in a very very small flat. It has one bedroom, a kitchen and a tiny bathroom. He has a small cardboard box of toys. His school send him books home and he regularly goes to the library with his mother. Elijah usually has to return books, so he was especially delighted to receive one from you , which is his 'forever'! He loves stories and the one he received was one that he recognised had been read to him in class by his teacher. Now he had his own copy which his mother will help him to read.

So thank you for sending a Christmas present to Elijah. He liked it very much, but most of all it told Elijah and his mother that they are not forgotten.

Covid update

We currently have very high numbers of Covid within the school despite the recent updates from the Government. We thank all the parents who are following the guidance and using LFDs to test children on a regular basis especially when they have been identified as a close contact.

Due to the high number of cases currently in school, the Year 2 class assembly on **Thursday 27 January will be via Zoom at 9.15am**. Please ensure you have your child's name or surname as a log in to allow safe entry into the Zoom.

Topic: Year 2 class assembly

Time: Jan 27, 2022 09:15 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88342116311?pwd=TDJEU1ZZQlhKcjV6aTFFUmZPaFIQdz09>

Meeting ID: 883 4211 6311

Passcode: 128456

Maths parent meetings

Thank you to those who attended or have watched the maths parent meetings for Year 5 and Year 6 and Year 2. We hope they have been helpful. The aim of this session is to show you what your child learns in maths in their current year group so you can support them at home.

If your child is working at a different year group in their maths, please feel free to join the correct year group for you so it is helpful to support your child. All sessions will be at 4pm via Zoom and will be recorded so parents can access the session at a convenient time for them. Please ensure your name on the Zoom is your child's name so we can ensure safe access for all.

January

Tuesday	25	4.00pm	Year 1 maths parent meeting* - via Zoom
Monday	31	4.00pm	Year 3 and Year 4 maths and MTC parent meeting* - via Zoom

Topic: Year 1 maths meeting

Time: Jan 25, 2022 04:00 PM London

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83941590571?pwd=VEIHV2dIYytCTVIGVGI3ckdBWFVBZz09>

Meeting ID: 839 4159 0571

Passcode: 722884

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Awards

Headteacher Awards

Reception – Elsie C-B & Noah W
Year 1 – Hattie E & Grace C
Year 2 – Leonardo Z & Ernie P
Year 3 – Freya W & Delia P
Year 4 – Coen M & Alice C
Year 5 – Amos F & Ava Q
Year 6 – Peter U & Mia Mc

Virtue Awards

Reception – Aamir S
Year 1 – George T
Year 2 – Sophie C
Year 3 – Oonagh K-E
Year 4 – Fabio Z
Year 5 – Summer H
Year 6 – Siofra W

Diary Dates

*denotes parents welcome

January

Tuesday	25	4.00pm	Year 1 maths parent meeting* - via Zoom
Wednesday	26		Year 4 to church
Thursday	27	9.15am	Year 2 class assembly* via Zoom
Friday	28	11.00am	Reception and Year 3 class Mass*
Monday	31	4.00pm	Year 3 and Year 4 maths and MTC parent meeting* - via Zoom
Monday	31		Year 3 Class Saint – Feast Day of St John Bosco

February

Tuesday	1	4.00pm	Year 5 residential meeting* - via Zoom
Wednesday	2		Year 6 class trip
Wednesday	2		Year 3 to church
Friday	4	11.00am	Reception and Year 3 class Mass in school
Tuesday	8		Safer internet day
Wednesday	9		Year 2 to church
Friday	11	9.15am	E safety parent meeting with School Council
Monday	14	4.00pm	Year 3 parents evening via video link*
Wednesday	16	2.00pm	Reception stay and play*
Wednesday	16	4.00pm	Year 3 parents evening via video link*
Thursday	17	9.15am	Reception and Year 6 assembly*
Friday	18		Finish for half term

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NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Anyone who has received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion can become an Altar Server, no matter how old they are! If you are eligible & would like to become a server in any of our churches (especially at St Mary's and the Assumption as our numbers are very depleted) please contact Amanda or Su. Thank you

1st RECONCILIATION 2022

If you have a child in Y3 or above who has not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please pick up an enrolment form from the back of church, complete it & return it to one of our parish offices as soon as possible. Preparation & 1st Confessions will be held before Easter.

VOLUNTEERING FOR THE PARISH

On the bulletins for Holy Name & Assumption (St Mary's to follow) there is a leaflet, giving opportunities for you to volunteer to help the parish. Please look at it & see what you can do to help. If you are currently volunteering, please tick all that you are involved in, or write it on the bottom/reverse. Please return your forms next week. Thank you

MISSION SOCIETY OF ST PAUL

This weekend there will be the annual appeal for the MSP given by Fr Jude and Fr Festus at all Masses. There will be a retiring collection and envelopes are available this weekend for those who are able to gift aid.

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