



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

News in School

3rd October 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Statement to Live By

This week's Statement to Live By is '**I know what to do if I see someone being hurt**' as part of helping the children to '**know, appreciate and understand the importance of social justice and develop independence, interdependence and responsibility**'. This statement links to the new Sacramental topic in RE of Baptism and Confirmation.

Over the past few weeks in school, the children have been revisiting the school's Mission Statement - please see below. In doing so, each class has created their own 'Class Charter' which is a set of class rules that each child has agreed to abide by. This area of learning has enabled the children to think about how they act with others within the classroom and take responsibility of their words and actions. As a whole school, during Collective Worship, the children have had the opportunity for discussion about what to do in situations where they may see someone being hurt - either through words or actions. As part of the school's anti-bullying drive, the children know that they need to speak up and support their friends and if it doesn't stop, to speak to the adults in school or parents at home.

Please support your child/ren this week to talk about they would do in a situation where someone was being hurt.

To Love, Live and Learn in the Light of Christ

**The Our Lady family learn together with love and faith in Jesus,
to become the people God calls us to be.**

Our School is part of the Church's Mission to pass on the good news of Christ's Gospel through learning, worship and the formation of character in a caring environment, which embodies Christian values and discipline. God has created every child out of love and the human dignity of each will be rightfully valued and respected.

Our School community will embrace a spirit of welcome, fairness and understanding as it strives to recognise God's Grace within each of us and within our whole community.

October - Month of the Rosary

The Catholic Church traditionally dedicates October as the Month of The Rosary. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th.

The word 'Rosary' means a chain of roses and the roses are prayers. The Rosary Prayer tells us about the life of Jesus and his Mother, Mary. There are four sets of "mysteries" or events from four periods of Jesus's life.

First, there are the "Joyful Mysteries". These are the events around the birth of Jesus. The five Joyful Mysteries are:

- the Annunciation;
- the Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth;
- the birth of Jesus;
- the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple;
- the Finding of the boy Jesus

Then, there are the "Sorrowful Mysteries". There are the events that surround the death of Jesus. They are:

- the Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane;
- the Scourging;
- the Crowning with Thorns;
- Jesus carries the Cross;
- the Crucifixion and death of Jesus.

Next, there are the "Glorious Mysteries". These are the events following the Resurrection of Jesus. They are:

- the Resurrection of Jesus;
- the Ascension of Jesus into heaven;
- the day of Pentecost and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit;
- the Assumption of Mary into heaven;
- Mary as the Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Finally, there are the "Mysteries of Light or the Luminous Mysteries". These mysteries were introduced by Pope John Paul II and are events from the public ministry of Jesus. They are:

- the Baptism of Jesus;
- the Wedding Feast at Cana;
- the Proclamation of the Kingdom of Heaven;
- the Transfiguration;
- the Last Supper.

Across the Nottinghamshire Diocese, Bishop Patrick is keen for the children to complete the 'Rosary Challenge for October'. Throughout the month, the children will be praying the Rosary in school. Please find attached a copy of the Mark 10 Mission Rosary Challenge that you may wish to use at home to support your children to pray the Rosary.

Please find attached information on how to pray the Rosary.



Harvest

Please come and join us for a Harvest Celebration Liturgy on Friday, 7th October at 9.00am. Each class are preparing a little something to share with parents and carers. The usual successes and achievements will also be celebrated. Please stay and join us for refreshments afterwards, where tea and coffee will be served with a little something created by Y3 and Y4!

If you are able to spare any food items, which will be sent to New Life Community Food Larder, please send them in with your children. This is part of the school's ongoing Missionary Discipleship to support others who are more needy than us. Thank you for your generosity.



Mass in School

On Wednesday, 12th October at 10.15am, we will be celebrating Mass as a whole school. As it is the time of Harvest, this will be the theme for Mass with the Shining Stars, our own Liturgy Team, leading it. All are welcome to join us, Father Peter and Deacon Tony.

Weekly Attendance

Well done to YR for a super week of attendance!

W/C	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
19.09.22	90.55%	88.33%	97.5%	92.63%	95%	98.68%	93.33%
23.09.22	99.44%	86.67%	98%	94.07%	96.06%	93.68%	85.67%



Scholastic Book Fair

The school book fair will be delivered this week! Please come in and have a look at the exciting range of books on offer for readers of all ages. Remember - the more books parents and carers buy, the more books we will be able to restock the school's bookshelves!

Reading

Over the last few weeks, teaching staff have been monitoring each child's engagement with reading at home through their Reading Records. It has been noted that a large number of children are not reading the minimum of three times per week to an adult at home. As part of the Home/School Agreements, returned earlier in September, it states that parents will support their child/ren with homework tasks, including Reading.

To help us track how much reading your child is doing at home, it is important that you sign their reading record every time you have listened to them read, along with a brief comment. Your support with reading at home is essential and only by working together can we ensure your child achieves their potential as a reader. Supporting early reading in EYFS and KS1 is vitally important. Early reading ignites creativity, sparks curiosity, and stimulates the imagination in young children. It also supports their speaking skills in being able to pronounce the words they read correctly. Often, older children who are left to read alone, without the support of an adult, have misconceptions as to how particular words are read and need to be corrected. Moreover, those children who read regularly and are exposed to a range of texts have a better vocabulary range and can apply this to their writing.

Please could I ask that parents/carers read a minimum of three times per week. If you require any support with reading, please do contact me and I shall endeavour to help you.

Parental Support

Parenting is possibly the most demanding job in the world! Yet, there is no one book that tells us how to do it! If you would like parental support on a range of topics, please register free to '[My Family Coach](#)'. This website is designed to offer parents and carers practical and sensible ideas to parenting.



Parents' Evenings

Over the next few days, the appointment slots for both parent's evening will be available in the playground for you to sign up to. If you cannot add your name onto the sheet in person, please phone the office and available time slots will be offered to you. Bookings will open tomorrow morning. Please note that due to unexpected circumstances Year 1 parents' evening will be held on Wednesday, 12th and Thursday, 13th October. All other classes will be held on Tuesday, 11th and Wednesday, 12th October.

If you have a child on the SEND register, you do not need to make an appointment as Miss Harris will be contacting you to invite you in discuss your child's progress. However, you are more than welcome to come into school on Tuesday and Wednesday to have a look at your children's books.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Hunt. We are always here to help!

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Malthouse
Headteacher

Prayers of the Rosary

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, † and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified; died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

OUR FATHER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name: Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee we do cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

How to pray the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross and pray "The Apostles' Creed."
2. Pray the "Our Father."
3. Pray 3 "Hail Marys."
4. Pray the "Glory Be To The Father."
5. Announce the First Mystery, then pray the "Our Father."
6. Pray 10 "Hail Marys," while meditating on the First Mystery.
7. Pray the "Glory Be To The Father."
8. Announce the Second Mystery, then pray the "Our Father." Repeat 6 & 7 and continue with the Third, Fourth and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.
9. After completing the fifth Mystery, pray the "Hail, Holy Queen" on the center medal.



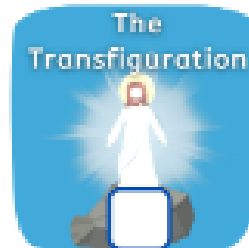


The Mark 10 *Byzantine*
**Rosary
 Challenge**

The Joyful Mysteries



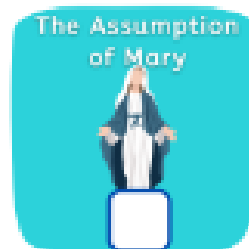
The Luminous Mysteries



The Sorrowful Mysteries



The Glorious Mysteries



Dates for your diary

2nd October	Little Church
6th - 17th October	Scholastic Book Fair
7th October	Harvest Celebration Liturgy
11th October	Parents' Evening
12th October	Mass in School Parents' Evening
13th October	Y1 Parents' Evening
16th October	Little Church
20th October	End of Term 1
31st October	Start of Term 2
31st October	Deadline for Y6 Secondary School applications with the Local Authority