

### Newsletter

Love one another as I have loved you—John 13:34
Friday 15th March 2024

At Sacred Heart School we:

LEAD with fairness & empathy

SERVE with kindness & consideration

COMMUNICATE with respect

ACT with love

#### 5th Sunday of Lent Year B

In the Gospel this week, Jesus speaks of his upcoming death and the necessity of it. He tells his followers that unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a single grain. But if it dies, it produces much fruit. Jesus is using this analogy to explain that his death will bear much fruit. His death will bring salvation to all who believe in him. But he is also telling his followers that following him requires sacrifice. We must be willing to let go of our own desires and wills and follow the will of God.

Through our own sacrifices, we too can bear much fruit and bring glory to God. Our sacrifice may not be as dramatic as that of Jesus, but it is still important. It may involve giving up our time, talents, or resources to serve others. It may involve forgiving someone who has hurt us. It may involve putting the needs of others before our own.

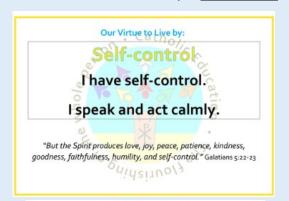
Whatever form our sacrifice takes, we can be assured that it will bear fruit. It will bring glory to God and help to build his kingdom on earth. So let us be willing to follow Jesus, even when it requires sacrifice. Let us be willing to let go of our own desires and wills, and follow the will of God.

Please use the link below to access the Ten:Ten interactive Collective Worship newsletter for March <a href="https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/">www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/</a>

**Prayer Intentions:** We pray for those children in our school and parish who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in the coming week. We ask our Lord to bless and prepare them at this significant time.

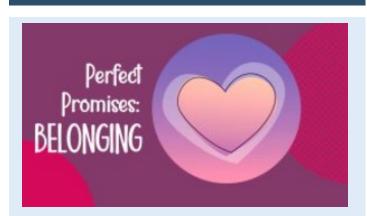
### Virtue to Live By

#### Our Current Virtue to Live By is **Self-control**





## **Gospel Assembly**



God has promised His people throughout history that He will be close to them. This assembly explores the Old Testament concept of God's presence residing in the Temple and helps children consider that they are temples where God dwells with them today.

Going Forth: How can you express your belonging to God this Lent when you GIVE, ACT and PRAY?

## **Information / Messages**

<u>Good Shepherd Fundraiser:</u> Each Friday in Lent, there will be a fundraiser for every child to take part in. Please send a small donation each Friday if you would like your child to take part.

<u>Big Lent Walk:</u> We are supporting CAFOD this Lent by walking 400km as a school. FS2, Y1, Y2 completed their walk today and on Tuesday 19th March pm, Y3-Y6 will complete theirs. If any parents would like to accompany the walk, please let class teachers know. Donations can be made via <a href="https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/sacred-heart-schools-fundraising-page">https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/sacred-heart-schools-fundraising-page</a>

<u>Term Time Leave</u>: In order for term time leave requests to be properly considered, the form needs to be returned to school in advance of the leave—at least a week prior. Thank you

<u>Head Lice:</u> There are cases of head lice in school especially Y4 at the moment. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat accordingly. Long hair should be tied back. <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/</a>

<u>Air Up:</u> Air Up bottles in school are currently causing fall outs between children. We do not allow children to swap pods—please reinforce this message at home.

<u>World Maths Day:</u> We are celebrating World Maths Day on Friday 22nd March and would like to invite parents into school from 9am—10am to play maths games with your child.

<u>After School Childcare:</u> Bookings are now live on ParentPay for our trial of after-school childcare in the summer term

# **Dates for your Diary**

#### **Tuesday 19th March**

Big Lent Walk—Y3—Y6

Parents' Evening

#### Wednesday 20th March

Lent Stay and Pray 3.20pm

#### **Thursday 21st March**

KS2 Magna trip—see ParentPay

Poetry recital for FS2, Y1, Y2 3pm

#### Friday 22nd March

World Maths Day—see above

Good Shepherd Fundraiser

#### **Monday 25th March**

FS2—Y2 Palm Sunday presentation 2pm

#### **Thursday 28th March**

KS2 Solemn Liturgy 2pm

**Break for Easter** 

#### **Monday 15th April**

Return to school

#### Wednesday 17th April

Parent Pop In 2.45pm

#### **Thursday 18th April**

FS2 Child Led Liturgy 9am

GREATWORK	"Virtues to Live by"  Catholic E
FS2—Jayron	FS2—Apolonia
Y1— Cara	Y1— Xylah
Y2— Raziella	Y2— Emanuel
Y3— Stalvin	Y3— Thomas
Y4— Tommy	Y4— Emilio
Y5— Ollie	Y5— Zach
Y6— Phoebe	Y6— Jacob



1st— Etta

2nd— Isla

3rd— Orla



Most active class- Y4

1st - Olympia

2nd— Jack G

3rd— Matei