



Newsletter

Love one another as I have loved you—John 13:34

Friday 1st March 2024

At Sacred Heart School we:

LEAD with fairness & empathy

SERVE with kindness & consideration

COMMUNICATE with respect

ACT with love

3rd Sunday of Lent Year B

The Gospel this week takes place in the temple. The temple in Jerusalem was considered the most holy place for the Jewish people, and it was a place where they would come to offer sacrifices and worship God. The sales going on there enabled people traveling from afar to purchase animals for sacrifice. This was a great convenience. However, the presence of the merchants had turned the temple into a marketplace, which was not only disrespectful but also a distraction from the true purpose of the temple. Jesus recognised this and was filled with a righteous anger that compelled him to drive out the merchants.

In a similar way, we are called to reflect on this Gospel reading and ask ourselves how we may have turned our own lives into a marketplace, where we prioritise material possessions and worldly pursuits over our relationship with God. Like the merchants, we may have allowed distractions and temptations to cause us to lose sight of what is truly important.

Our focus must be on the Eucharist. As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is present in the Eucharist, and that every time we participate in Mass, we are entering into the presence of God. Let us approach the Eucharist with reverence and awe, just as the Jewish people approached the temple in Jerusalem.

Please use the link below to access the Ten:Ten interactive Collective Worship newsletter for March
www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/

Prayer Intentions: Loving God, help us to make our own bodies and hearts a worthy dwelling place for Christ, so that we may be a true reflection of his love and mercy to the world.

Virtue to Live By

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



Gospel Assembly



This week's assembly, the third in our Lenten series, reminds children, through the story of Moses and the Ten Commandments, that God promises to guide us so we can live in freedom.

Going Forth: How can you be guided by God this Lent when you GIVE, ACT and PRAY?

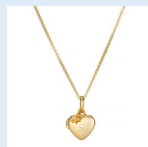
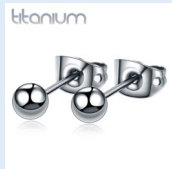
Information / Messages

Parents' Evening: Bookings can be made online at <https://sacredheartcathpri.schoolcloud.co.uk/> until 12th March

Good Shepherd Fundraiser: 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. For their fundraisers, Y2, Y5 and Y4 are looking for donations of unwanted collectors cards (football, Pokemon etc), soft toys / teddies, unused toiletries and decorative items.

Big Lent Walk: We are supporting CAFOD this Lent by walking 400km as a school. Sponsored walk dates tbc. Donations can be made via <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/sacred-heart-schools-fundraising-page>

Jewellery: We have seen an increase in children wearing jewellery to school including hoop earrings and necklaces including rosary beads. For safety reasons, and in line with our uniform policy, jewellery is limited to one pair of stud earrings which are to be removed for PE.



Parking: In common with other schools, we know that parking at the beginning and end of the day is difficult. Please be mindful to obey traffic laws and the highway code including not stopping on zig-zag lines and not causing an obstruction by parking on double yellow lines or on a corner. This is for the safety of all our children.

Term Dates: Sent with this newsletter are the term dates for next year. There has been a change to some inset days since they were previously sent.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 5th March

Y1 Phonics Screening Meeting 9am

Wednesday 6th March

Lent Stay and Pray 3.20pm

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Playgroup 9.15am

Friday 8th March

Good Shepherd Fundraiser—Y5 Mothers' Day sale

Monday 11th March

Y2 Leanimals Mobile Zoo—see ParentPay

Tuesday 12th March

KS2 Science Open Morning for parents

Wednesday 13th March

KS1 Science Open Morning for parents



Parents' Evening—see above

Friday 15th March

Good Shepherd Fundraiser

Parent Pop In 2.45pm

FOSH meeting 3.30pm—all parents invited

	
FS2— Samuel	FS2— George
Y1— Georgina	Y1— Thomas
Y2— Ivan	Y2— Nicole
Y3— Jack	Y3— Calvin
Y4— Isla	Y4— Zigam
Y5— Mia	Y5— Leon
Y6— Tahlia	Y6— Ben



1st— Melia

2nd— Emanuel

3rd— Isla

Most active class— Y4



1st— Yoel

2nd— Xander

3rd— Olivia