



Newsletter

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

Friday 5th September 2025

At Sacred Heart School we:
LEAD with fairness & empathy
SERVE with kindness & consideration
COMMUNICATE with respect
ACT with love

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel for this week gives us a tough message about following Jesus. He tells us that discipleship means sacrifice. Carrying a cross was a shocking and painful image for the people of His time, but Jesus used it to show the seriousness of following Him.

Jesus is not telling us to literally hate our family or possessions. He is saying that nothing can come before Him—not our family, wealth, or comfort. If we love anything more than Him, we cannot fully follow His path. This is a hard teaching, but it is a call to be completely committed to God.

Discipleship is not about living life as usual. It is about making choices that put Jesus first, even when it costs us something. We are challenged to think about what we might be clinging to that keeps us from fully following Him. If we are not ready to make sacrifices, we risk starting something we cannot finish.

This Gospel asks us to reflect deeply on our priorities. Are we truly committed to the path of Christ, or are we holding back? Jesus invites us to trust Him and to let go of anything that keeps us from walking fully in His way.

By turning to God's wisdom, treating others as part of His family, and making sacrifices to follow Jesus, we can walk more faithfully on the path of discipleship.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all those returning to school or study this week especially those starting a new phase. We thank God for the gift of education and learning. We also pray for those around the world who do not have access to education.

Collective Worship Newsletter: Please find the newsletter for September by clicking on this link www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/

Virtue to Live By

Our Current Virtue to Live By is **Love of Learning**



Celebration of the Word



Children will learn that God's dream is for us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him by sharing His love with others. This is what we are made for; without God we are missing a foundational element of what it means to live life to the full.

Going Forth: Be intentional about following Jesus every day this week by saying this prayer before you start your day, "Jesus, I choose to follow you."

Information / Messages

Welcome Back: It has been lovely to welcome our families back this week including our new families in FS2. The children have been so positive and there is a lovely buzz around school. They also look very smart so thank you for your efforts in ensuring uniform is correct.

SCITT: As a partner school for Sheffield school-centred teaching training, we are proud to play our part in developing future teachers. This term, Mr Holmes-Hill will be working in Y5 and Miss McClean will be working in Y2. We welcome them to our school and hope their time with us is enjoyable and enriching.

Return to Work: Mrs Connolly has now returned to work following maternity leave and has resumed her role as SENCO. She will work Monday to Wednesday.

Dates: We are in the process of finalising dates for the year and will share these with parents asap.

Reading: We work really hard at Sacred Heart to instil a love of reading in all children. Please encourage your child to read or listen to stories at home. Sent with the newsletter is a reading newsletter to support and inspire. We also have our Renaissance programme to support with reading at home where children can answer quizzes when they read a book on the programme. Please speak to teachers for more information if needed.

Years Service: Congratulations to Mrs. Mulcrone who was recognised this week for her 10 years of service at Sacred Heart. We thank her for her commitment and care during this time.

Meet the Teacher: On Tuesday 9th Sept, there will be an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and receive information about the year ahead. Teacher session 1 3.30—3.50pm in classes / Headteacher Talk 3.50—4.10pm in the hall / Teacher session 2 4.10—4.30pm in classes. There are 2 sessions with teachers to accommodate siblings. If you have more than 2 children in school, please let us know which teacher you didn't get to and we will send the information shared.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 9th September

Meet the Teacher 3.30pm (p)

Friday 12th September

Start of Year Mass 9.30am (p)

FOSH Meet and Greet 3.20pm (p)

Thursday 18th September

YR Welcome Assembly 2.45pm (p)

Friday 19th September

FOSH Meeting 2pm—all welcome (p)

Wednesday 24th September

YR Stay and Play 2pm (p)

Monday 29th September

YR Phonics meeting 2.30pm (p)

Wednesday 1st October

Y5 Class Saint sharing 3pm (p)

Thursday 2nd October


Poetry recitals 2.45pm (p)

Friday 3rd October

Harvest Celebration 9.30am (tbc) (p)

Y2 Class Saint sharing 3pm (p)

(p) = parents welcome

	"Virtues to Live by" 
Y1— Arthur	Y1— Charis
Y2— Kaynan	Y2— Sam
Y3— Hudson	Y3— Niamh
Y4— Liya	Y4— Jaylen
Y5— Lilliah	Y5— Calvin
Y6— Emily	Y6— Emilio



1st— Nathan

2nd— Iva

3rd— Liya

Most active Y3



Freddie—Y1

Alex—Y5



1st— Carson

2nd— Freddie

3rd— Abhinanth