



Newsletter

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

Friday 17th October 2025

At Sacred Heart School we:

LEAD with fairness & empathy

SERVE with kindness & consideration

COMMUNICATE with respect

ACT with love

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel this week highlights the power of persistent prayer through the parable of the persistent widow. This story teaches us that even when we feel like our prayers are unanswered, we should continue to pray and trust in God's timing. The widow's determination in asking the unjust judge for justice is a powerful example of how we should approach prayer with persistence and faith.

The early Christians believed that the "Day of the Lord" would come soon, ending their struggles under Roman rule. This expectation, rooted in Jewish tradition, anticipated a new world led by a king from the line of David. Jesus, however, teaches that this new world requires patience and trust in God's timing. The persistent widow's actions remind us that we should not lose heart when answers to our prayers are delayed.

Sometimes, we may feel discouraged when our prayers seem unanswered. It can be tempting to think that God is not listening. However, the Gospel reassures us that God hears every prayer, even if the response is not immediate. Like the widow, we must continue to pray and trust that God will bring about justice and peace in His perfect time.

The reading also reminds us that prayer should lead to action. The persistent widow did not just pray; she actively sought justice. This teaches us that while prayer is crucial, we must also be willing to act on our prayers. We are called to work for justice, peace, and goodness in our daily lives, inspired by our faith and the teachings of scripture.

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

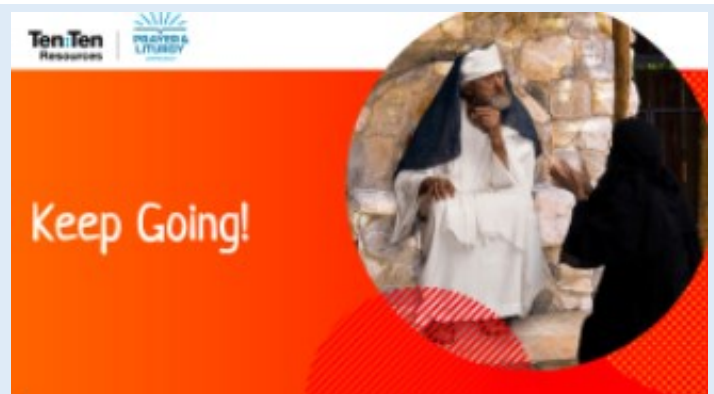
Virtue to Live By

Our Current Virtue to Live By is **Citizenship**

Our Virtue to Live by:
Citizenship
I am a good citizen.
I show love for my neighbour
through my actions.

"Do not forget to do good and to help one another, because these are the sacrifices that please God." Hebrews 13:14; 16

Celebration of the Word



Through explorations of the parable of 'The Persistent Widow' and the fable of 'The Tortoise and the Hare', children will discover that not giving up on prayer leads to a deeper relationship with God. God invites us to talk and listen to Him, because He longs to answer our prayers.

Going Forth: How might you remember to be faithful in prayer this week?

Information / Messages

Open Days: Our open days for prospective parents are coming up after half term—see attached flyer. Filling our reception places each September is crucial for the future funding and viability of Sacred Heart School. Please spread the word to anyone looking for a place for September 2026—your support is appreciated!

Wraparound: In order to staff breakfast and after school club appropriately, we ask parents to book in advance. We can take on the day bookings, but if the club is full, you may not be able to attend.

SEND Coffee and Chat: This year, we are introducing informal sessions with our SENDCO, Mrs Connolly. These are aimed at parents, who have a child on the SEND register or who have a concern, to chat with other parents with Mrs Connolly. The first of these take place on Monday 20th October at 2.30pm.

Harvest: Thank you for the foodbank donations. The collection will be in school for 1 more week.

Reading: Well done to these children who reached words read milestones on our Renaissance reading programme—Matei, Leo S, Yoel, Lidia, Archie A, Haval, Edward, Mehetabel, Cole (10,000), Niamh, Oliver P, Dawid, Luke, Levi, Natty, Jess, Isaac, Kayden (50,000), Oliver C, Enrico, Cohen, Max K-S, Oliver Ma (100,000), Joseph O, Thomas H, Marlowe, Jack G, Etta (250,000), Chris (500,000) and Leo W (1 million!)

Clitherow Feast Day: To celebrate Margaret Clitherow's feast day, this **house team (blue)** will get together on Friday 24th October. The children in this house **only** are invited to wear blue on this day.

Congratulations: to Enrico and Matilda who were awarded the Headteacher's Gold Award. Enrico for extending his learning outside of school and Matilda for her kindness towards her friends.

Well done: to the boys U11 football teams who both came 2nd in their tournaments this week. They were all a credit to the school.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th October

SEND coffee and chat 2.30pm (p)

Wednesday 22nd October

YR Stay and Play 2pm (p)

Friday 24th October

Clitherow Feast Day Celebration

Break for half term

Friday 31st October

Y7 Admission application deadline

Monday 3rd November

Return to school

Tuesday 4th November

Prospective Parent Open Evening

5.30pm

Wednesday 5th November

Y1 class assembly 9am (p)

Friday 7th November

FOSH meeting 2pm (p)

Monday 10th November

Odd Socks Day

(p) = parents welcome

	"Virtues to Live by" 
YR— Gabriel	YR— Heidi
Y1— Amarachi	Y1— Abih
Y2— Ruben	Y2— Rita
Y3— Victor	Y3— Anikha
Y4— Eva	Y4— Mehetabel
Y5— Ziora	Y5— Levi
Y6— Carter	Y6— David

1st— Arsema

2nd— Frankie S

3rd— Harriet

Most active Y4



Hannah Y1

Etta Y6



1st— Amarachi A

2nd— Carson

3rd— Noah