

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

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The Blessed Virgin Mary



May

Mass Intentions

Sat: – Church opens at 7.00am with Exposition

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Intentions of Anna & Gerardo Spagnoli

Followed by Confessions until 11.00am

5.00pm – Evette Simon – Anniversary of Birth

Sun: – Church opens at 7.00am

8.00am – Intentions of Parishioners

9.30am – Onyeka Uzoukwu – Birthday Intention

11.00am – Roberta Onyekwelu – Birthday Intention

5.00pm – Maeve Creed – Birthday Intention

Mon: – Church opens at 8.15am

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Matty O'Brien - Anniversary

No Exposition today

Tue: – Church opens at 8.15am

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

No Exposition Today

Wed: – Church opens at 8.15am

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Mag & Terence & Family Intentions

No Exposition Today

Thur: – Church opens at 8.15am

8.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Repose of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Exposition until 11.00am

Fri: – Church opens at 5.00pm with Exposition

6.30pm – Evening Prayer & Rosary

7.30pm – Ronald Crane - RIP

Followed by Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sat: – Church opens at 7.00am with Exposition

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Carol Keyes - RIP

Followed by Confessions until 11.00am

5.00pm – Margaret O'Brien - Anniversary

Sun: – Church opens at 7.00am

8.00am – For Parishioners

9.30am – Thanksgiving Intention for Eucharist ibekwe

11.00am – Intentions of Mary & Gordon Hayden

5.00pm – Fr Francis Press - RIP

20th May – St Bernadine of Siena – Priest

21st May – St Christopher Magallanes & Companions

22nd May – St Rita of Cascia – Religious

27th May – St Augustine of Canterbury – Bishop

29th May – ASCENSION OF THE LORD – Solemnity

31st May – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Feast

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another."

Judas had hardly left the supper-room and gone out into the night, when Jesus delivers his spiritual testament to his disciples, announcing his departure to the Father as his essential precondition for the glorification of God and of the Son of Man. We are struck by the words which mark the opening stages of this farewell discourse: 'Now...soon...in a little while.' What sort of time is here implied? The time after Easter when Jesus, having been reinstated in his glory at the right hand of the Father, awaits with his Church the full manifestation of this glory. Disquieting words introduce this period of waiting: they are words of St John but ones which we readily make our own. Soon, after a little while, Jesus will no longer be with his disciples. Not that he wants to abandon them or leave them to themselves. It is because they will have to change, from being accustomed to his physical presence to faith in his unseen presence, in the very experience of his absence. However, it is also to bring to life that presence of the Son of Man through the practice of the new commandment: by loving one another as he has loved us. The love of the disciples of Jesus for one another is the guarantee and the manifestation of that permanent presence of the Risen One among his own.

REGISTRATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE FOR PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION

We are now accepting registration forms from parents of children who are to be prepared for the above sacraments for 2026. Registration is for children who are entering year 3 and above in September 2025. Registration forms are on the table in the porch. There will be an Enrolment meeting on Friday 11th July at 6.00pm in the parish hall. The children should be accompanied by their parents.

REGISTRATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE FOR PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We are now accepting registration forms from the parents for young adults who are to be prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation for 2026. Registration is for young people entering school years 9 & 10 and up to the age of 18yrs. Registration forms are on the table in the porch. There will be an enrolment meeting on Friday 4th July at 6.00pm in the parish hall for parents and their young people.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Do you want to know more about biblical origins of the Jubilee Year? We will be exploring this together in a faith-sharing group, beginning on Monday 2nd June and ending on Monday 23rd June. Meeting in the parish hall after the morning Mass at 10.30am. There will be four sessions each lasting one hour. Join us as we consider the opportunities this special year offers each of us.

PARISH MASS BOOKS

Because of the new translation of the Lectionary, we have had to discard the old Mass books that we had and then we began using Mass leaflets. This has proved inadequate for our needs. We would like to buy more Mass books, but they are expensive. Donations would be welcome to help cover the cost of new books. If you would like to help then please put your donation in an envelope marked Parish Mass book. Many thanks

JUBILEE – 12th July 2025

St Edmund's College – Pilgrimage

St Edmund's College, the oldest Catholic College in England, is a continuation on English soil of the famous college at Douay, France, founded in 1568. Intended to prepare priests during the Reformation.

10.15 – Coach departs parish

11.00am – arrive at St Edmund's – confessions available.

12noon – Solemn Mass – celebrated by Cardinal Nichols in school grounds

1.30pm – Picnic lunch, tours of College, Adoration & Confession in Chapel.

2.45pm – Procession of the Blessed Sacrament

4.00pm – Departures

A coach will leave from the church at 10.15am. Cost £25 (inc £5 donation to Jubilee Fund). Sign up please and pay. Bring suitable clothing in case of rain/

NOTICE

Please note that all of our masses and services are live streamed.

PARISH GIVING

If you use Planned Giving Envelopes please do try and keep up with your giving. The parish relies on a regular income from these envelopes each week. If you are away or do not attend church please can you make up your giving – that is what Planned Giving means. Please, if you can, take out a Standing Order to the parish. Our bank details are **HSBC Bank plc.** To credit our account: WRCDT – Mary Mother of God Ponders End: 81308432. Sort Code : 40-05-20. Add the surname and first name as a reference. Many thanks.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF LEBANON 20th to 25th September 2025

£1350 single room, 1250 twin shared rooms. Includes flights, 23kg luggage, hotel full board & transport. Contact: Nada Daoud for info on 07886234113.

YOUNG ADULTS DEANERY MEETINGS

The idea is for young adults (18-35) to meet up once a month at one of the parishes in the Enfield Deanery on a Friday evening for a time of prayer, worship (with a talk) and a social. This will allow young adults to grow and develop in their faith with mutual support and friendship. The next meeting will take place on Friday 9th May from 7.30pm to 9.00pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel & St George, Enfield, EN2 6DS. Worship, Music, Speaker, Social please contact; annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk

FINANCES

Offertory Boxes – If you use envelopes for your weekly giving to the parish would you please pick up your new boxes as soon as possible. Please make your donations to **Cafod Family Fast Day** and the **Cardinal's Lenten Appeal** as soon as you can. To help the parish please try and get up to date with your giving envelopes

ONLINE

BOOK CLUB

Online book club in May & June 2025
Reading the Final Synod Document Together
Join the Agency for Evangelisation and the School for Synodality to explore the Final Synod document each Wednesdays from 7.30-8.30pm, 21st May to 25th June.
For more information and to book, either use the QR Code on the notice in the porch or email: evangelisation@rcdow.org.uk

Today, Sunday, is World Day of Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life, Ask for more Priests.

LEGION OF MARY

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Meeting on Sunday 8th June 2025 At 2.45pm in the parish hall

An opportunity to meet together and say our Legion prayers and to give our reports on the work we have achieved over the past few weeks or so. Attendance and meetings is an important aspect of our lives as Legionaries.

The date for the Curia/Praesidium Retreat has been set for Saturday 28th June at Tyburn Convent.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

May: For Working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized

And please pray for the Conclave and for a new Holy Father!

RETROUVAILE

Rediscover Your Marriage

Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. There is no group therapy or group work. The next programme begins with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 20th to 22nd June 2025.

Call/text: 07887 296983 or 07973 380443

Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

EASTER DUTIES

The Church obliges all the faithful to receive **Holy Communion** during the Easter season. To receive Holy Communion we must be in a state of Grace which means that there must be no serious sin in our lives. For us, therefore, to receive Holy Communion worthily, might require us to go to **Confession**, which also the Church obliges all the faithful to do at this time. Please fulfil these duties before Trinity Sunday

Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage at Westminster Cathedral

Saturday 17th May 2025 at 2.30pm

The Cardinal is inviting couples in the Diocese who are celebrating in 2025 their 5th, 10th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and any year over 60 wedding anniversary of Catholic Marriage. Please hand in to Fr John your details: names of husband and wife, date of wedding, number of years married, postal address, email and phone number. Please hand in details as soon as possible. Thanks.

CATHOLIC HERALD – May edition Is available in the parish shop at £5 – a good Catholic read!

PRAYERS PLEASE

For the Sick: Agnes Robinson, Joe Harper, Mary Conway, Sara Moloki, Lily Bleach, Margaret Felgate, Declan Culbert, Eileen Lacey, Bernard Woghiren, Gloria Conway, Agnes Guvaya, Liz Freeman, Nancy Brady Faustina Smiley, Pope Francis, Mary & Gordon Hayden, Patrick Galavin, Sean Swanton

For the Recently Dead: Fr Bernard Scholes, Sean Swanton, Fr Francis Press, Veronica Crawley, Hannah Falco, Jeanne Walsh, Vincent Desir, Alex Jjuko, Alice Orumwense. Ronnie Mayo, Alma Francois, Pauline Ntaji.

Anniversaries: Arnurio Ramos, Solomis & Eleni Djerallis, Marianna Amato, Sheila Nellis, Alice McCourt, Dominic Omovbude, Pat & Ciss Carberry, Ezeudeny Ojinnaka, Serge Poisson, Les Conway, Craig Paul

Morning & Evening Prayer – is said before all weekday Masses Monday to Thursday and Saturday mornings and on Friday evenings at 6.30pm before Mass at 7.30pm.

Friday Lunch Club – Lunch is served free every Friday morning in the parish hall from 11.00am onwards. It is open to anyone – just come along for good food.

The Legion of Mary: Meets next on Sunday 8th June 2025 at 2.45pm in the parish hall.

Aid to the Church in Need: Pilgrimage 21-26 July 2025. York and the North: Heartland of Faith and Hope. The pilgrimage will be led by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ and Suze Matthews, historian. Total cost is £285. For more info please contact: bridget.teasdale@acnuk.org
Westminster Pilgrimage to Lourdes. 25th July to 1st August. Elizabeth on 0207 798 9173

Please Pray for our Communion & Confirmation Groups: both of our Sacramental preparation groups will be on their away days on 17th?18th May just prior to their receiving their Sacraments.

Mass Intentions: If you would like and intention for a particular day and time, then please let us know well in advance. Thanks

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday evenings from 5.00pm to 7.15pm, Saturday mornings from 7.00pm to 8.30pm and most weekday morning from 8.30am to 9.30am.

EASTER OFFERINGS – The offerings that you make at Easter are for the benefit of the priest of the parish and form part of his yearly income. Thank you for your kindness

PRIEST'S TRAINING FUND COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. You have given £1454.36 so far – that was a wonderful amount. It is not too late to make a donation, if you wish. There are some envelopes available at the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information or to make a donation then please visit or use the QR code on the notice in the porch.
www.rcdow.org.uk/donations
Thank you for your support and generosity.

SUNDAY PLUS

Shared love

Reach out

By James Gallogly



Efforts to develop St Vincent de Paul confraternities within our prison was a stop-start affair. We were blessed by the commitment and vigour of our first president. He was acutely aware that there are many hardships before entering the kingdom of God and owned his part in them. He provided a wonderful example of what can be achieved when putting others first.

Just as the early apostles sought to put "fresh heart" into the new disciples, so my colleagues and I provide endless encouragement to our flock. We share the boundless love that God has for each and every one of us in the hope that tired, troubled and restless hearts can embrace the good news.

St Vincent de Paul is alive and well in spirit in our prison, if not as formally as a world of scrutiny and evidence would like. His statue looks down benignly from a corner of the chapel, a constant inspiration and call to alms. Challenging us to "love one another" as Jesus did is a tough one at the best of times especially where there are examples of this being flagrantly abandoned.

The call to love, however, is heard in the most inconspicuous of places and where least expected. In the recognition of another's pain, loss and despair the men are continually reaching out to one another; listening over a brew, gifting a shower gel on arrival or a vape at bad news, can all start the process that "will wipe away the tears from their eyes".



James Gallogly is a lay Catholic chaplain in a UK prison.

Lord of love, sometimes I don't feel very loving and caring towards others and I'd much rather look after my own comfort and convenience. Help me to look beyond myself and teach me to be generous. 🙏 Amen.

Unselfish love

By Sr Janet Fearn FMDM

You might not remember the 2016 World Triathlon Series in Cozumel, Mexico, but you might well remember seeing the news coverage of triathlete Alistair Brownlee, stopping in his tracks when his brother Jonathan (Jonny) – then in the lead – staggered, ready to collapse with the effects of sunstroke and exhaustion. Alistair could have easily continued running, to win the race. Instead, he

stopped, pulled Jonny's arm across his own shoulder and almost carried him to the finishing line, a few hundred metres ahead. On reaching their shared goal, Alistair pushed Jonny into second place, happily taking the third place for himself.

Love will do extraordinary things which are often unplanned, spontaneous and without counting the cost. The Brownlee brothers afterwards joked about what had happened. If asked, they might have shrugged off their example of their love for each other and yet, there it was for the whole world to see. Love is real. Love is unselfish.

Sr Janet Fearn is a Franciscan Missionary of the Divine Motherhood.

Be men and women with others and for others, real champions in the service of others.

Pope Francis

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope



16-18 May:
Jubilee of Confraternities

You have a specific and important mission, that of keeping alive the relationship between the faith and the cultures of the peoples to whom you belong. You do this through popular piety. When, for example, you carry the crucifix in procession with such great veneration and love for the Lord, you are not performing a simple outward act; you are pointing to the centrality of the Lord's paschal mystery, his passion, death and resurrection which have redeemed us, and you are reminding yourselves first, as well as the community, that we have to follow Christ along the concrete path of our daily lives so that he can transform us... You express this faith, born of hearing the word of God, in ways that engage the senses, the emotions and the symbols of the different cultures ... In doing so you help to transmit it to others, and especially the simple persons whom, in the Gospels, Jesus calls "the little ones".

Pope Francis

Today:
Acts 14: 21-27
Revelation 21: 1-5a
John 13: 31-33a, 34-35

Monday:
Acts 14:5-18
John 14:21-26

Tuesday:
Acts 14:19-28
John 14:27-31a

Wednesday:
Acts 15:1-6
John 15:1-8

Thursday:
Acts 15:7-21
John 15:9-11

Friday:
Acts 15:22-31
John 15:12-17

Saturday:
Acts 16:1-10
John 15:18-21

Next Sunday:
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

THE *Wednesday* WORD



Encountering Christ The Wednesday Prayer Custom for Homes, Schools & Parishes

Prayerfully preparing for Sunday Mass with special prayers for our school families



Set aside 10-15 minutes and create a suitable environment by removing any distractions. Make sure that you are comfortable. Perhaps light a candle. Make the sign of the cross and remain still for a minute of settling silence.



Remember that through this scripture our Lord is truly present. Read the Gospel, aloud and slowly, and pay attention to any words that stand out. If any do, meditate on them for a few minutes and be invited into a dialogue with God.

1

Read

The Gospel for Sunday 18th May 2025

THE COMMANDMENT OF LOVE

When Judas had gone Jesus said, "Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples."

Taken from John 13:31-35 The Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

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Reflect

After reading the Gospel, did any words stand out? If they did, ponder or discuss them before proceeding with the reflection.

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

From now until Pentecost the readings from St John's Gospel are taken from the great final teaching of Jesus at the Last Supper about the future of his Church and his disciples. From the sayings of Jesus the evangelist has composed a great discourse of Jesus about the obligations, duties and dangers which will come upon his disciples after his own death and resurrection. There were probably slightly different versions of this discourse, which were handed down by word of mouth; the impression of repetition in the discourse probably results from the evangelist recording three versions one after another. As we approach the Birth of the Church at Pentecost we need to listen to how Jesus envisaged his community. Today's reading gives the essentials. At the head of the Christian community stands the glorified Son of Man, in whom God is glorified. But this Son is no distant figurehead, for he will come to be present among his disciples. How will this happen? Answer: in the love which his disciples show for one another. One is reminded of the legend about the aged St John, wheeled into the church at Ephesus. When asked for the message of Jesus, all he would say was, 'My little children, love one another.'

How has Jesus shown his love for us? How do you show that same love for someone else?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

3

Respond & Request

Now slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel once again but this time in silence. Consider how this Gospel could apply to your life in general. Thank God for any insight you may have received.

Then ask God to bless you with a spiritual gift to help you act on any resolution you have made. Perhaps: love, hope, understanding, wisdom, faithfulness, peace, patience, humility, joy, forgiveness, self-control, courage, generosity, faith or something else.

4

Pray for Families

This Wednesday's word for our school families is LOVE!

After praying for your loved ones, please remember to pray for our present and future Church, particularly for the families connected to our schools. You may want to conclude this special weekly time with a simple prayer such as:

St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church, pray for us. Mary, Star of Evangelisation, pray for us. 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.

**The Jubilee
Year of Hope**

Share the Prayer: Why not forward a digital copy of this Parish Version to your friends? Also, to see a sample of your primary school's *Family Version*, visit: wednesdayword.org

WEDNESDAY WORD PLUS +

Fr Henry's reflections on the first and second readings of **Sunday 18th May 2025**



1st Reading: Acts 14:21-27

The End of Paul's First Missionary Journey

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. "We all have to experience many hardships," they said, "before we enter the kingdom of God." In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.



2nd Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

The New Jerusalem

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, "You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone." Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: "Now I am making the whole of creation new."

Antioch was a big city, one of the largest in the ancient world. On the Mediterranean coast of the Roman province of Syria, it was at the end of the trade-route from the east. So it had a busy commercial life with a large colony of Jews among the traders. A considerable group of them accepted Jesus as Messiah and Lord, and it was at Antioch that the followers of Jesus were first called 'Christians' or 'Messianists'; other Jews thought that the Messiah had not yet come. It was at Antioch that the well-trained and eloquent Paul was appointed to accompany Barnabas (who at this stage was the leader) in spreading the Good News about Jesus as the Messiah. At the end of their journey they reported back to the community at Antioch. It is significant that Barnabas and Paul appointed elders in each community they visited; this was the normal way in which a Jewish community was constituted. A synagogue is still today ruled by a body of elders, one of whom is chosen to preside at services. Obviously, in spite of the bad reception Paul and other Christians sometimes received (as we read last Sunday), these Christian communities felt themselves to be like the other Jewish communities, though accepting Jesus as Messiah, and living by his Spirit. **To what extent (as a Christian) should my behaviour be different from that of other people?**

Like so much of the Book of Revelation, this prophecy of the New Jerusalem is heavily dependent on the prophets of the Old Testament. In the dark days of the Babylonian Exile the prophet Ezekiel had foretold that God would rebuild Jerusalem as a new city where God would dwell, a city named Hephzibah, that is, 'My pleasure is in her'. The prophets had long spoken of the relationship of Israel to God as that of a bride to her husband, a bride who was often unfaithful. Isaiah, however, had foretold a joyful marriage feast in which God would be the bridegroom and Jerusalem the bride, the final wedding of God to his people. God's bride, Israel, who had so often been unfaithful, would at last be wedded to him for ever in fidelity and happiness. This was the intended meaning of the marriage-feast at Cana and of the parables of Jesus about a wedding-feast of the great king, to which the poor and the outcasts would be invited. Here the Book of Revelation promises just such a festival to those who have sustained the grimness of Roman persecution. Now, as we celebrate Christ's triumph over death at Easter, we look forward to this same unalloyed happiness experienced in God's presence and his love. **If God lives among us now, where and how can I most clearly find him?**



**We look forward to the happiness
of God's presence and his love.**



The Wednesday Word Connecting Home, School & Parish through the Word of God

**The Wednesday Word is under the patronage of St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church
Within the tradition of the Catholic Church, each Wednesday is dedicated to St Joseph**



Good News for Families

TOGETHER TIME

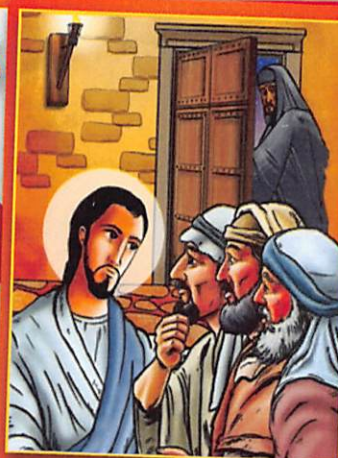


1 READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Jesus had gathered his friends, the disciples, together for the Last Supper. After Judas left the room Jesus said, "I shall not be with you much longer. But now I am giving you a new commandment: you must love one another in the same way as I have loved you. If you do this, everyone will know that you are my friends."

What new commandment has Jesus given to us?

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.



Sunday Gospel Gallery

Look at this Sunday's Gospel picture. What can you see? How do you feel? What does it make you think about?

2 SHARE & CARE! Growing in Goodness & Love: This Wednesday's Word...

"Love is the only language everyone understands."

St Joseph Fienademetz

God is love and all love comes from God. Whenever we love and care for one another we can be sure that God is with us. Ask your child who they love. What does your child think it means to 'love one another'. Who makes your child feel especially loved: a) at home? b) at school? c) at church or in the community? Ask your child when they recently felt especially loved. When did your child last show love towards someone? How did they show their love?



Each of you decide on something you can do in the coming days to share your love - to love as Jesus loves. Perhaps you can: as a family, visit someone who may be sick or lonely; be extra helpful by putting others' needs first; show and tell family members how much you love them through unexpected acts of kindness; include someone in your games who may be feeling left out.

LOVE



3 Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for being our loving friend. Please help us always to love you and to keep growing in love for one another. Amen.

FINDING THREE

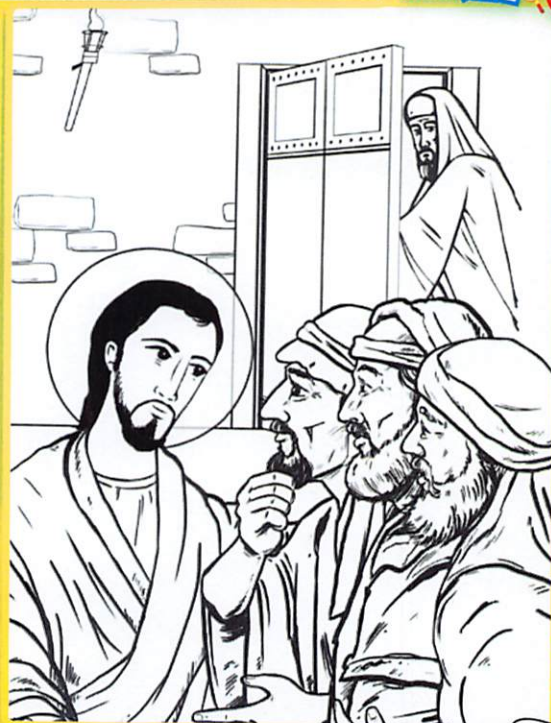
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WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER **ACROSS** OR **DOWN**

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SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS **BACKWARDS** OR **DIAGONALLY**



Find and draw 3 differences, then colour the picture

Cross out the letters **c k i** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

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_____ said, "You must _____ one another
in the _____ way as I _____ loved you."



Jesus went back to his Father but he gave us a special job to do. Jesus wants us to love each other. When we care for and look after each other, through our words and through our actions, we are following Jesus' new commandment.



This week I will try my best to...



LOVE, LISTEN AND LEARN

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025

Due to the fact that there are now fewer pupils in London (there is a continued decrease in the population of children) and the issues with finding affordable housing we currently have some places in our Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 and 3 2024/2025 year groups.

Please contact the school if you wish to apply for a place for your child.



**THANK YOU PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS FOR
RECOMMENDING OUR SCHOOL AND HELPING TO BUILD
UP OUR PUPIL NUMBERS.**

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'Pupils are eager to come to school each morning because their teachers do their best to help them learn...Pupils learn in a calm environment. This is because the school has high expectations for pupils...Pupils conduct themselves well because they know what is right and have been taught how to behave well. Pupils achieve well across a range of subjects. They are proud to talk about their work which is presented with pride...Warm, caring relationships permeate the school... Pupils are confident that adults will listen to their worries and help them. This means they feel happy and safe...The curriculum is ambitious and well structured...Adults have secure subject knowledge...Leaders have high expectations and are ambitious for pupils...Safeguarding is a priority here.'
(OFSTED Inspection, November 2023).

LOVE, LISTEN AND LEARN

'A. Classroom religious education is outstanding

- The school has adapted and developed the themes of the Religious Education Curriculum Directory in an excellent manner to meet the learning needs of the pupils' of St Mary's.
- The religious education programme in use fully delivers this content and the use of De Bono system in religious education pushes pupils to develop their understanding further.
- After carefully analysing the needs of their pupils, the school has developed a curriculum and teaching programme that has reached outstanding achievement by the pupils in religious education.
- Teachers have high expectations and plan lessons that deepen pupils' religious literacy.
- Since the last inspection, staff confidence in recording and assessment has been demonstrably achieved with the evidence of the clarity and confidence on the part of the staff in planning imaginative lessons based on the religious education programme followed in the school.
- The headteacher is also the religious education curriculum coordinator and she takes the closest interest in developing the excellent teaching and learning of religious education in the school.
- The chair of governors is a recent appointment but with her years of experience on the governing body she is clear in her role of both support and challenge in pursuing the special responsibility of governors of a Catholic school.

B. The Catholic life of the school is outstanding

- The curriculum fully conforms to the classroom curriculum time of at least 10% for religious education and teaching is fully in line with the requirements of the Bishops' Conference.
- The previous inspection asked the school to develop pupils' understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and to help pupils understand the ethics of the market place and fair trade. The school has fully addressed these priorities, both in their classroom teaching and in the encouragement offered when choosing charities to support.
- The pupils of St Mary's enjoy an outstanding experience of prayer, liturgy and Catholic worship.
- Pupils and staff have a deep understanding of the call to 'human flourishing' and are given opportunities to develop and celebrate their gifts and talents.
- Partnership with the parents is excellent; they appreciate and support all that the school provides for their children.
- The leadership and management of the school are very effective in promoting the Catholic life of the school. The head is strong and devoted in providing both oversight and support on all aspects of Catholic life. The contribution and regular visits of the parish priest provides a strong and stable reinforcement of the foundational position of Catholicism in the life of the school'

(OFSTED Section 48 Inspection, September 2019).