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**Thought for the week:**  
**'Pray, Fast, Give.'**

## The Pope's Monthly Intentions for March 2022



### A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer

Dear Parents

Friday 4th March 2022

### Ash Wednesday Mass

KS2 attended Mass on Wednesday. During our collective worship Fr Simon spoke about the journey we are undertaking in Lent to '**pray, fast and give.**' Our Gospel Virtues for this half term are 'intentional' and 'prophetic'. I look forward to speaking with the children throughout Lent to learn how they are applying these to their daily lives.  
 At mass today we prayed for the people in Ukraine and continue to keep them in our prayers.

### EYFS Assembly

Thank you to Mr Mulligan for overseeing the assembly today for our youngest pupils. It is lovely to see and celebrate all their achievements together. The children have learned the Mission Statement Prayer and enjoyed their collective worship together.

### PSHE Day

Many thanks to Miss Winchurch for supporting staff with our PSHE day this week. The theme was '**Healthy Me**' and the pupils looked at ways of keeping healthy considering their diet, sleep, exercise and wellbeing. We also launched free fruit for all pupils across school this week, it was great to see so many children eating fruit. All classes completed super work. Well done!

### World Book Day

Well done to all the children and staff for a superb World Book Day. What an array of characters we witnessed. The children really enjoyed the day and enjoyed reading and finding out about lots of authors and books. Please look at our school Twitter feed to see all the characters. Thank you to Miss McCarron for organising the day.

### Prayer of the Month

Every Wednesday at 2.30 we all join together to say a shared prayer wherever we are in school. The prayer this month is the **Act of Sorrow**. We are saying this as a school community to support Y3 as they prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in April. Please share it with your child at home. It gives the school community a moment to unite in collective prayer together.

### Sacramental Dates

Mr Barton will be writing to all families next week about workshop dates and further information about the Sacramental Programme for Y3. A reminder to parents that the Sacrament of **Reconciliation** will take place in church on **Friday 1st April** and **Holy Communion** on **Saturday 11th June**.

### School Trips

Mrs Coney will be writing to you about the up and coming trips that we have planned for pupils to enhance our curriculum. It is wonderful to feel that things are getting back to normal as much as possible.

### Inspire Workshops

We are very excited to host our parents in school from next week for our Inspire Workshops, and are looking forward to meeting with you all. **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** are holding their workshops next week. The remaining will take place the following week and Mr Barton will be writing to families with further information for the remaining classes next week.

*Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.*  
 Mrs J Logue

### Prayer of the Month:

*O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you, and with the help of your grace I will not sin again.*

**Amen**



### Diary Dates

**Y4M Swimming on Wednesday 9th March**

### After school Clubs:

**Monday—Y3 Y4**  
**Tuesday—Y1 Y6**  
**Thursday—Y2 Y5 Y6**

**Y3/4 Mass in church on Friday 11th March at 9.15 am**

### Learning Corner:

*Create an Acrostic prayer or poem and share it with us on Twitter or bring to your Prayer Corner in class.*

*Say an extra prayer or make an extra intention for someone else each day.*



Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Mmesoma	Linda	Robert
Reception	Romy & Alfie	Daberechukwu & Solyana	Louis & Ethan
Year One	Zikora & Salvador	Max & Sinon	Grace H & Vienna
Year Two	Paris & Fabian	Marcel & Lamek	Jenson & Penelope-Pearl
Year Three	Chidubem & Kacper G	Amara & Anashe	John & Denis
Year Four	Ryan & Kyle	Eliza & Bryan	Adiam & Arsema
Year Five	Caiden & Ymad	Faith & Ayaan	Zachary & Violet
Year Six	Lily-Ella & Liz	Lacey & Amarachi	Akorede & Triumph



Reese, Nadia, Cleo,



Gabriela & Melissa-Lucindra.



Snippets of News from our  
School Parliament

Well done to the Wellbeing Council for hosting Yellow Day this week. We celebrated and learned about St David on Tuesday. The children have done brilliantly by raising a total of **£258.00** for their chosen charity— Marie Curie. This charity is a registered charitable organisation in the United Kingdom which provides care and support to people with terminal illnesses and their families. How active and generous our pupils are—well done!

## Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself, Mr Mulligan or Mr Barton as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in [UNICEF's Article 29 - A Right to an Education](#).

**Our overall attendance : 96%**

### ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 94%    Y1 Attendance = 95%  
 Y2 Attendance = 98%    Y3 Attendance = 98%  
 Y4 Attendance = 96%    Y5 Attendance = 92%  
 Y6 Attendance = 97%

Article of the Week



Article 2 —  
Non-discrimination



Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days]

