

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

#### Dates for Diary



#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)

#### Fri 5<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Fayre

#### Tues 9th December

Key Stage Two Carol Service

#### Mon 15th December

Early Years Christmas Nativity

#### Tues 17th December

Key Stage One Carol Service

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

End of Term (1.30pm)

This half term's Gospel Virtues are Learned and Wise

<u>Learned</u>, finding God in all things; and <u>wise</u> in the ways they use their learning for the common good.

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday this week, we took part in Red Wednesday. Red Wednesday is an annual event organised by Aid to the Church in Need to promote awareness of the plight of persecuted Christians around the world.

In school, children took part in an assembly where they learnt about the lives of Christians around the world. Our Chaplains also took part in a special Red Wednesday Mass at St Chad's Cathedral where they joined with Archbishop Bernard Longley and children from schools across the Diocese to pray for all those who suffer from persecution because of their faith.

We will shortly be starting preparations for our Christmas Fayre which is taking place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Further into the newsletter, you can find details about how you can be involved in these preparations. Thank you to everyone for supporting this fantastic event.

We have a School Mass at the Sacred Heart Church this Sunday (9am) – we look forward to this wonderful opportunity for us to join together as a school and parish community.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher





# Well Done to our Learners of the Week for impressing their teachers with their hard work and fantastic learning behaviours!

Learners of the Week						
RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2NH	2LM	3JH
Matthew	Roman	Oliver G	Leo	Jaxon	Victoria	Ada
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
Violet	Lottie	Willow	Primrose	Nikodem	Dominik	Willow

# Our Pride in Presentation Award goes to someone who has put great effort and taken great pride in their presentation!

Pride in Presentation						
RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
Rosanna	Nevaeh	Maia	Kyriakos	Simon	Akharan	George
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
Kaion	Mia	Harley	Abigail	Isabella	Isabella	Leon



#### **Mission Disciples**



This half term, as part of our Celebration Assemblies, each class will be celebrating a 'Mission Disciple.'

The Mission Disciples will be children who have demonstrated how they are 'living out our mission to put Jesus Christ at the heart of everything we do at St Gabriel's.'

#### **Mission Disciple** 'For living out our mission to put Jesus Christ at the heart of everything we do at St Gabriel's.' **RC** RK 1CC 1LG 2LM 2NH **3JH** Ettie-Alex Louie **Bonnie Sofia** Harry Owen Rose 3LH **4HB** 4VN 5EY 5SM 6BF 6AC **Bentley** Zach E Vishmee Maisie **Elsie** Darcy Freya



# Congratulations to class 6AC who are our Attendance SuperStars this week!



# Weekly Attendance

RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
96.3%	95%	96%	92%	94.8%	96.8%	96.3%
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
95.3%	96.2%	96%	96.8%	96.8%	95.1%	97%

#### **House Points**

Well done to St Bernadette house who earned 721 house points!



#### **Track My Read**

A huge well done to the 142 readers who are taking part in our St Gabriel's Autumn Term Track My Read challenge- together you have reached a fantastic 55,255 reading minutes so far. Keep going readers, we're well on our way to reaching our 90,000 minutes target- with 4 weeks to go, we can do this with a BIG PUSH from us all!

If you are having any problems with your log in details please let your child's class teacher know and we can rectify this for you.



# School Mass at Sacred Heart Church Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 (9am)

This Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> November) our St Gabriel's children will be helping to lead the 9am Mass at Sacred Heart.

This Sunday is both the Feast of Christ the King and World Youth Sunday.

Prayers at Masses around the world will be said for children and young people -that 'God will strengthen them in their faith and bless them abundantly.'

It is always a very special occasion when we can be together as a school and parish community at Holy Mass so we look forward to joining with as many of our children and families as possible on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>. All children and families are very welcome and warmly encouraged to attend.

If you have not attended a Mass at Sacred Heart before, please do not worry – do come along as there will be lots of people there to make sure you feel very welcome and have everything you need.

Sacred Heart, Silverlink Road, Tamworth, Staffordshire, B77 2EA





We are looking forward to our Christmas Fayre on Friday 5th December!

In preparation for the Christmas Fayre, we are asking for donations of chocolate and bottles – please see below for details. On each of the dates, we will have a non-school uniform day!

Friday 28th November - Chocolate Donations Friday 5th December - Bottle Donations

Thank you to everyone for their ongoing support!







# **Parish News**

https://www.tamworthrc.church/

#### **Parish Christmas Fayre**

The annual Parish Christmas Fayre is this Sunday!! Sunday 23rd November 2025 at Sacred Heart Tamworth, 10am - 2pm.

Come along for lots of festive fun, whilst raising much needed funds, to help maintain our two beautiful Parish Churches.

We are still accepting donations of bottles, chocolate and new

toys 🍾 🍫 🐣 🕡 😥

There will be music, refreshments, crafts, cakes, stalls, Santa and of course the raffle with a 1st prize of £500 cash!

#### **Sunday Masses**

#### Saturday Vigil

6:00pm - St John's Church

#### Sunday

9:00am - Sacred Heart 10:30am - St John's Church 12:00pm - Sacred Heart

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#### **Sunday Gospel Reflection**

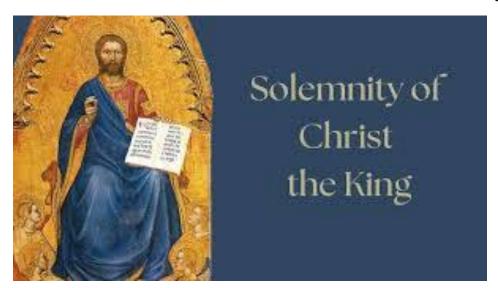
Feast of Christ the King - Luke 23:35-43

Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. This is the final Sunday before we start the new Church Year on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent.

The Solemnity of Christ the King remind us that Jesus is our true King. Jesus is the King of the Universe, the World and of our hearts.

We are following Jesus our King. We are part of His eternal Kingdom. It is not a kingdom of palaces and riches. Jesus is not interested in kingdoms like that. Jesus's Kingdom is one where we 'love one another as I (Jesus) have loved you.' It is a Kingdom which welcomes the vulnerable, the needy and the lonely. We are not just part of Jesus's Kingdom, we can help build it when we see and love those around us like Jesus our King does.





#### **PE Days**

Please see below for your child's 'PE Day.' Children should attend school in their PE kit on their PE day.

Reception	Wednesday
Year One	Wednesday
Year Two	Tuesday
Year Three	Friday
Year Four	Tuesday
Year Five	Thursday
Year Six	Monday

Dates				
Friday 21st November 2025	Mass in School (CAFOD Jubilee Day) – Whole School –			
	Chaplaincy			
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)			
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School - Staff (Y4 and Y5			
	Confessions after Mass)			
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Fayre			
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Key Stage Two Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)			
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Early Years Christmas Nativity			
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Key Stage One Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)			



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Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School- Y6 (Y6 and Staff
	Confessions after Mass)
	End of Autumn Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Start of Spring Term
	Children return to school
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Year 5
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Mass in School – Year Two (Year Group Mass)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Mass in School Whole School – Y3
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	End of Half Term
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
Monday 23rd February 2026	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Children return to school
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	CAFOD Family Fast Day
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2026	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2026	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Y3) (Sacred Heart, 6pm)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School – Year Four and Year Five (Year Group
	Mass) (Y4 and Y5 Confessions after Mass)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School- Y2 (Year Group Mass)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4)
	End of Spring Term
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	Good Friday
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Easter Sunday (Easter Season until Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Start of Summer Term
	Children return
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Mass in School- Whole School – Chaplaincy
Friday 1st May 2026	Mass in School – Year One (Year Group Mass)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage Two SATS
May 2026	
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	First Holy Communion (10am, 12 noon; Sacred Heart)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	End of Half Term
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Pentecost



Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Children return to school
	Year Four Multiplication Check window opens until
	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Chaplaincy
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Corpus Christi
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year One Phonic Screening Check (until Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>
	June)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Mass in School – Early Years (Year Group Mass)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	INSET Day 4
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Feast of St Peter and Paul
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Mass in School – Y3 and Y6 – Thanksgiving for
	Sacraments
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Meet the New Teacher Day
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Reports sent home
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Parent – Meet the New Teacher session
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Mass in School - Whole School (Led by Y6)
	Last day of school year for children
Monday 20st July 2026	INSET Day 5