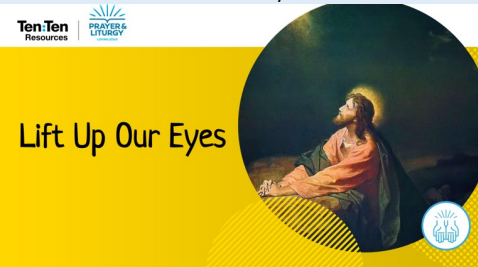


7th Sunday of Easter

The Gospel this week shows Jesus praying to the Father before He leaves His disciples. He speaks about eternal life and says that knowing God is the key to true life. This reminds us that our faith is not just about rules or traditions. It is about having a real relationship with God. As Catholics, we build this relationship through prayer, reading Scripture, and receiving the sacraments. When we pray, we are not just saying words. We are speaking to God, who listens and cares for us. Jesus shows us that prayer is more than asking for things. It is about being close to God. The sacraments, especially the Eucharist, also help us grow in this relationship. When we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we are united with Him in a special way. This is a reminder that God wants to be close to us. He invites us to know Him and trust Him. The Gospel encourages us to deepen our faith by spending time with God. Jesus prayed for us to have eternal life, which means being close to the Father. We should take time each day to talk to God, listen to Him, and grow in our love for Him.

Theme of this weekend's Gospel:

On the night of Jesus' arrest, He lifted His eyes in prayer, fully focussed on God the Father's will. Children are invited to lift up their eyes and turn to God in prayer, just as Jesus did, to help them to stay focussed on God's way.



Going forth for this weekend's Gospel:

Who could you pray for this week?



Find extra opportunities this week to pray for members of your family, your friends and other people that might need your prayers.

This month's Virtue to Live By

Our Virtue to Live by:

Honesty

I tell the truth.

I am reliable and trustworthy.

My actions match my words.

I am honest with myself and others even when it is difficult.

"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body." - Ephesians 4:25

Prayer Intentions: Pope Leo Prayer Intentions for May: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

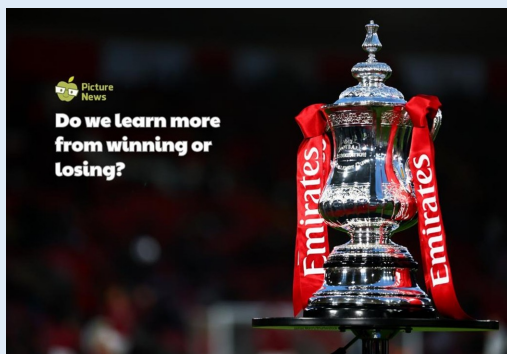
Collective Worship Newsletter: Please find the newsletter for May by clicking on this link: <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Picture News

Story: It's the FA Cup Final between Manchester City and Chelsea at Wembley Stadium.

Question:

Do we learn more from winning or losing?



Catholic Social Teaching

Happy Bee Day! Bees are so important to the health of our planet that they have their own special day.

The event takes place on 20th May each year, to spread awareness of the significance of bees.

World Bee Day is celebrated on 20th May, on the birthday of Anton Janša, a pioneer of beekeeping. It is a day for people to consider the importance of bees and how we can help to protect them.

Catholic Social Teaching Principle: Stewardship



Book Recommendations



Prayer of the Month

Our prayer for April is: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Word of the week: communication

Information / Messages

Summer Uniform: As we enter the summer term and hopefully the warmer weather, a few reminders: children are welcome to wear a blue gingham dress or grey school shorts (sports shorts are not acceptable unless for PE); plain, black shoes remain the uniform policy; children should come to school prepared for the weather with a filled water bottle, sun hat and sunscreen as necessary.

FOSM Disco: Thank you to the FOSM for organising and all who attended the disco. The event raised £300.

FOSM Meeting: Please come along to the FOSM meeting on Thursday, 21st May, at 3.15pm. Everyone is welcome as we begin to plan the summer fair. After collecting your child, please sign in at the school office.

Sports Day: This will take place on Wednesday 20th May 9.30am - 12 noon at Thorncliffe Football Academy. Currently the weather forecast doesn't look promising. We will review the forecast and send a confirmation or cancellation email to parents at the end of the day tomorrow. If we do have to cancel we have a reserve date of Wednesday 8th July. Please can we remind parents and carers that they should not take photographs or film children during the event because not all children have permission in place for this.

Walk to school week: This week is walk to school week. An initiative we support all year round through the use of the class travel trackers. To mark the week, the children will be watching an online assembly tomorrow and attached is a letter from members of Sheffield's Education, Children and Families Committee.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19th May

Y6 Visit to St. Marie's Cathedral - Good Shepherd Presentation

Wednesday 20th May

9.30am Sports Day - Thorncliffe Football Academy

Thursday 21st May

Y6 Visit to Crucial Crew

3.15 - 4.15pm FOSM Meeting in school

5.00 - 6.00pm New Parents' Meeting

Friday 22nd May

Break for half term

Monday 2nd June

Return to school

Y4 Multiplication Check (this week and next)

Thursday 4th June

Y5 Hockey Festival

Monday 8th June

Y1 Phonics Screening Check (all week)

Y6 Bikeability (all week)

Saturday 13th June

First Holy Communion

Monday 15th June

8.15am First Holy Communion Breakfast

Whole school golf day

Tuesday 16th June

Whole school tennis day

Wednesday 17th June

Y6 Visit to Partnership Games

Thursday 18th June

2.45pm YR class assembly

Deadline for uniform order for school delivery

Stars of the week

Alexander I, Charlotte B, Ava H, Sophie P, Joseph H, Reggie H, all Y6

Hot Chocolate

Eliza S, Joseph B, Edward B, Clara T

School Council Star

Rosie GS & Isla R

Mini Vinnie Award

Alethea H & Edward W

Acts of Kindness

George H, Luna LP, Nancy H, Mrs Gregory, Alethea H, Matilda T, Delilah G, Aoife A, Edward W, Oakley McF, Freddie J, Colby L, Elliot WM, Mrs Waind, Rebecca S, Bernie B, Emilia A, James K

Reading Awards

Lexia - Olivia B

Reading for Pleasure -

Maths Awards

Numbots— Alexander I, Charlie H, Felix W, Nicole F, Rowan S

TT Rockstars—Improved speed: William H, Camille W, Alfie FP, Olivia T, Matilda T, Abel F, Annie BB, Leo R, Chidindu A

Gigger - Lucas T; **Rock Star** - Eleanor R; **Rock Legend** - Bronte H

Vocab Ninja

Sidney H, Rocky G

Swimmers of the Week

Leo HD, Rebecca S, Annabelle A, Leo R