

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

This week's gospel parable shows how different God's ways are from human thinking. The landowner pays all workers the same, no matter how long they worked. Some grumble because they think this is unfair. But the landowner reminds them that he has been generous. In the same way, God's mercy does not follow human standards.

People often struggle with fairness. They compare themselves to others and wonder why some receive more, but Isaiah's words remind us that God's ways are higher. He does not act according to human logic. Instead of focusing on what seems fair, we are called to trust in His mercy.

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A invites us to change our attitude. Instead of questioning God, we can be grateful for His kindness. When we seek Him with humility, we open our hearts to His grace. His ways may not always make sense to us, but they are always good.

Theme of this weekend's Gospel:

In assembly, children will explore Jesus' parable of the workers in the vineyard and reflect on the meaning of fairness. They will discover that whilst we may not always understand God's ways, we can trust that He is more generous and just than we can imagine.

TenTen Resources

PRAYER & LITURGY

Generous and Just



Going forth for this weekend's Gospel:

How can you trust in God's love and share His generosity with others this week?

St Bernadette



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This month's Virtue to Live By

Our Virtue to Live by:

Love of learning

I am a lifelong learner.

I am excited and enthusiastic to learn.

"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance." Proverbs 1:5

Prayer Intention: We join in Pope Leo's monthly prayer intention for September — For the care of water. Following one of the warmest summers on record, we pray for just and sustainable management of water so that everyone may have equal access to this vital resource.

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

Picture News

Story: UK Prime Minister Andy Burnham has pledged that, by Christmas, everyone sleeping rough in England will be offered a safe place to stay.

Question: Do we all have a part to play in helping those in need?

British Value(s):

Democracy
Mutual Respect & Tolerance



Catholic Social Teaching

In this week's assembly we marked the International Day of Democracy, which is celebrated annually on 15th September.

Catholic Social Teaching

Principles:

Subsidiarity



What Is a Democracy?

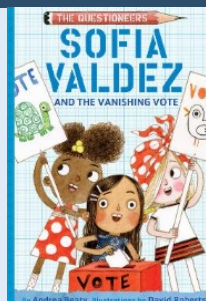
We have a political system that is called a democracy. Democracy means 'rule by the people'. It comes from the Greek words *demos*, which means people, and *kratos* which means rule or strength.

Why is democracy important?

- It maintains law and order - We have laws that are created by and voted on by MPs we elect. We all have to follow them as they help keep us all safe.
- It provides freedom of speech - We have the right to say what we think about something as long as we do not say anything hurtful to others.
- It helps achieve equality - Living in a democracy helps us to treat each other fairly and equally.



Book Recommendations



Prayer of the Month - September

Our prayer for September is:

Grace Before Meals

Bless us, O God, as we sit together.
Bless the food we eat today.
Bless the hands that made the food.
Bless us, O God. Amen.

Grace after meals

Thank you, God, for the food we have eaten.
Thank you, God, for all our friends.
Thank you, God, for everything,
Thank you God. Amen.

Word of the week: Dialogue

Information / Messages

Celebrating Grandparents: On Friday 2nd October we will be celebrating our grandparents. Grandparents are welcome to join us for a special celebration assembly at 2.30pm. After school, at 3.15pm, FOSM have organised an event for grandparents to play alongside their grandchildren and refreshments will be provided. Please sign up for both events on ParentPay.

FOSM Meeting: Thank you to all those who attended tonight's meeting to organise the forthcoming grandparents' event - see details above. We also began planning the discos and Christmas fair. Please join us at the next meeting on Wednesday 4th November at 8pm at The Barrel to help finalise these plans.

Cauliflower Cards: By today, your child should have brought home a Christmas card design. The FOSM organise for Cauliflower cards to print these designs on to a Christmas card for parents to purchase and also to raise money for school. If you would like to place an order, please do so by **Thursday 1st October**.

Y6 SATS Meeting: Mrs Taylor will be delivering 'Meet the Teacher' and SATS meeting on Wednesday 23rd September at 5.30pm. Please see a separate letter for more information.

Playgroup: Our Friday morning, parent-led, free playgroup is up and running for the new school year with plenty of space for new children. All welcome with babies up to pre-schoolers. Please spread the word to anyone who may be interested.

Dogs: Just a reminder that dogs are not allowed on school grounds, including the school drive and carpark.

Poetry Recital: National Poetry Day takes place on Thursday 1st October. To celebrate this day each class will be taking part in a poetry recital at 2.30pm, parents are welcome to attend.

Email correspondence: If parents are wishing to contact class teachers, this should be done via the enquiries@ or parents@ email addresses. In line with the school's home school communication policy, teachers will also reply via these addresses.

Hardship Fund: You may have noticed that we have a hardship payment on ParentPay. This payment was set up at the request of parents as a way of enabling school to support families who, due to exceptional circumstances, may struggle to pay for school trips, buy uniform, provide Christmas presents for their children, etc. There is no expectation that parents make this donation.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 21st September

4:00 - 6:00pm All Saints High School Open Evening

Wednesday 23rd September

5:30 - 6:30pm Y6 Meet the teacher and SATS meeting

Thursday 24th September

4:00 - 7:00pm Stocksbridge High School Open Evening

Thursday 1st October

Deadline for returning Cauliflower cards to school

8:45 - 9:15am Reading Morning

2:30 - 3:15pm Poetry Recital

5:30 - 6:30pm Notre Dame High School Open Evening

Friday 2nd October

9:00 - 10:00am Stay & Play Open Event

1:30 - 2:30pm Stay & Play Open Event

2:30 - 3:15pm Celebrating Grandparents event

3:15 - 4:15pm FOSM Grandparents event

Monday 5th October

2:45 - 3:15pm Y2 Celebration of the Word

Wednesday 7th October

9:30 - 10:30am Mass in School

Thursday 8th October

8:50 - 9:20am YR Phonics Workshop, intro. to RWI

Sunday 11th October

10:00 - 11:00am School / Parish Mass in church

11:30—12:30pm School Open Event

Monday 12th October

9:00 - 9:30am Y6 Celebration of the Word

Thursday 15th October

9:00 - 9:30am Y5 Celebration of the Word

8.50—9.30am YR Curriculum Workshop

Good Work - English

Alexander I, Jacob M, Teddy T, Eleanor R, Aoife A, Tilly Ann S

Stars of the week

Harlo H, Sebastian W, Olivia B, James K, Bronte H, Jacob A

Hot Chocolate

Felix W, George T, Caspian G

School Council Star

Mini Vinnie Award

Acts of Kindness

Arthur T, Ziva, Poppy T, Henry E, Jacob A

Reading Awards

10,000 words - Emilia, Bethany H & Elspeth C;

50,000 words - Bethany H, Eleanor R, Meabh CP & Lucas T

100,000 words - Eleanor R, Annie BB; **250,000 words** - Eleanor R

Maths Awards

Numbots: Phoebe S, Dianne N, Oliver S, Cillian CP, Aaliyah M, Cillian CP, Charlie H

TT Rockstars: Emilia A, Bethany S, Caspian G, James K, Meabh CP

Headliner: Arthur T

Vocab Ninja

Max CS, Joseph B, Alice W, Henry E

Swimmer(s) of the Week

Willow L