



Pupil Chaplaincy Newsletter School/Home/Parish



Hello everyone and welcome to a special edition of the Pupil Chaplaincy Newsletter.

**The month of April is dedicated to
The Holy Spirit
We pray for strength and courage at this time.**

The first eleven days of April fall within the season of Lent, represented by the colour purple. Purple is the colour of sorrow, penance and a contrite heart. The remainder of April falls during the Easter season, represented by the colour white. White is the colour of light, and is a symbol of innocence, purity and joy. After the Easter season, we return to the liturgical colour green. Green is the symbol of hope and we hope and pray that with God's help we will see better times ahead.

'The God Who Speaks' – Year of the Word 2020

(Mark 4: 35-41)

The Apostles turn to Jesus to save them during the storm.



**Papal devotion:
Pope Francis is asking that in times of trial we turn to St Joseph to
intercede for us all.**

The Holy Father describes the sorrow and pain caused by the coronavirus pandemic and emphasizes the importance of prayer.

The Pope invites us all to show solidarity with others, especially those who suffer.

Father Edward

On Friday 20th March, Father Edward came to the school to visit the classes and give them his blessing.

As you are all aware there will be no Masses for the foreseeable future. During Lent Father Edward has asked that we go onto St Peter's Church website to find ways of praying. Father Edward reminded us that with faith and prayer we will get through these dark days.

Loyola Press Multimedia Stations of the Cross for Children

Praying the Stations of the Cross – alone or with a group – is a Lenten tradition. Catholics walk the 14 stations of the Way of the Cross and stop to pray at each one. Please find many resources available online at LoyolaPress.com.

Focus of the Liturgy – Sunday Mass and Friday Assembly

The Gospel readings for the Sundays in April and are taken from St Matthew, St Luke and St John and are from Year A, Cycle 2 of the readings.

April 5th - Palm Sunday
We read the Passion of Our Lord in this Gospel.

April 12th - Easter Sunday
This Gospel relates the story of Mary Magdalene visiting the empty tomb.

April 19th - Divine Mercy Sunday
In this Gospel we learn the story of doubting Thomas.

April 26th - 3rd Sunday of Easter
This Gospel tells us how the disciples met Jesus on the road to Emmaus.

Important Dates for this Month

2 nd April	St Francis of Paola
3 rd April	St Richard of Chichester
4 th April	St Isidore
5 th April	Palm Sunday

9 th April	Holy Thursday
10 th April	Good Friday
11 th April	Holy Saturday
12 th April	Easter Sunday
13 th April	St Martin, Pope
16 th April	St Bernadette
19 th April	Divine Mercy Sunday
21 st April	St Anselm, Bishop
23 rd April	St George, Patron Saint of England
25 th April	St Mark, Evangelist
29 th April	St Catherine of Siena

We will keep you all in our prayers and hope that you all remain safe and well.

Best wishes and God bless,
Mrs Barnes and the Pupil Chaplaincy Team