



Saint Thomas More R.C. Primary School

Headteacher, Joanne Butterworth, Deputy Headteacher: Anna Quigg
Assistant Headteacher: Sarah Dodd

Thursday 25th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful few weeks together.

I am so pleased that we have all been able to be back together since 8th March. The children are settling back into life in school well, even with the systems still in place.

Class Dojo Award

Friday 26th March is Class Dojo award day, where children can wear their own clothes and bring a small snack for the afternoon (Nursery and Reception do not need a snack).

Holy Week



Next week is Holy Week and the Gift Chaplains are leading the school with Stations of the Cross assemblies.

Holy Week

St Peter & St Thomas More
CATHOLIC PARISH

Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Arrangements for Holy Week 2021

Next Sunday we will remember the Lord's entry into Jerusalem and the cries that filled the air as people called out 'Hosanna' and waved the palm branches and spread their cloaks over the road as Jesus passed by. As we journey together through Holy Week we remember how the cries soon turned to the words 'Crucify him, crucify him'.

While we are still under the restrictions of the lockdown, we are able to gather for the Liturgies – something which we value greatly, as last year the doors of the church were closed due to the guidance at that time.

As at Christmas the places available will still be limited and so I have decided to operate the booking system again. This will help to avoid people being disappointed if they are not able to gain entrance due to the limited numbers.

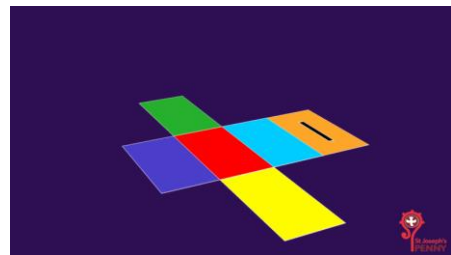
Please email in the booking forms or place them through the presbytery letterbox as directed. Those who are not able to do this can use the dedicated phone number provided on the form.

Holy week Mass and liturgy times

Church	Monday 29 March	Tuesday 30 March	Wed 31 March	Mass of The Lord's Supper	Good Friday	Holy Saturday	Easter Sunday
SP	9am Mass			7pm Mass	10am Stations	10-11am Confession	9.30am Mass 6pm Mass
STM		9am Mass	9am Mass		3pm The Passion	7pm Mass	11am Mass

I have copied the information for services and Masses from the Parish Newsletter.

As we have not been able to collect St Joseph's Penny for Caritas for 2 years, the Gift team have requested that parents make a donation in the week that we would normally do our Lenten Stalls. Therefore next week we will set up a collection on Eduspot for £2.



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Parents Meetings

These will take place after Easter. We are hoping to have a new system in place for appointments and video calling, further details will follow.

Car parking

Yesterday the council planned parking markings were painted on the road. Opposite school is a single yellow line and restrictions are NO PARKING 8am – 5pm. There are areas of double yellow also painted on the corners near school.

Easter Holiday

School closes Wednesday 31st March at 1:30pm (no afternoon Annex available) and reopens Monday 12th April (Annex opening at 7:30am).

The Annex Club

The Annex Club hours will continue to be 7:30am and closes at 5:00pm, this will be reviewed in May if the Prime Minister's Roadmap is on track. The early closure ensures that all areas are deep cleaned after use, before the next day, we believe this is continuing to support the lack of transmission.

COVID 19 reminder

If anyone in your household is having a COVID PCR test you must not send the children to school until you receive the results. Please inform the office on 0161 643 7132 about the test or symptoms and with the result whether negative or positive.

Thank you very much for all your support during the continuing challenging situation.

Best wishes,

Mrs Butterworth

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