

# St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

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## Weekly Newsletter

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My first Christmas Dinner Day at St Joseph's was wonderful and wouldn't have been possible without all our staff's hard work in making this special event happen, despite all the challenges that Covid has thrown our way - it was clear how much everyone enjoyed it. Madge got lots of big smiles and thank yous for cooking such a delicious meal for the children and staff! Thank you to parents and carers for your generous donations for the Save the Children collection and gifts for the present room.

Next week, the Secret Present Gift Shop will be open on Monday (see next page for details).

Don't forget that next Thursday, term ends with staggered end of the day times for all classes.

Enjoy your weekend!

**Mrs Keogh – Head of School**



**Calvin - Y5**

**Alicia - Y6**

**Harrison - Y4**

**Jenayah - Reception**

**Ms Clark - Y3**

**up to 13th December 2020**

## Rainbow Assembly



**11th December 2020**

**Reception - Elsee, Rose, Maryangela, Oluwanisola**

**Year 1- Maison, Jersiah, Havana, Maggie**

**Year 2 – Chloe, Emily, Gracie, Esther**

**Year 3 – Joshua, Kamsi, Klevis, Leonardo**

**Year 4 – Clinton, Mirabel, Munachi, Tyler**

**Year 5 – Daejhenae, Emma, Harrison, Shajeevan**

**Year 6 - Emma, Rosemary, Janaiyah, Isaac**

## Christmas Masses

### Christmas Eve – Thursday 24th December

Our Ladye Star of the Sea - 5.00pm & 11.00pm for 11.30pm  
St Joseph's - 7.00pm

### Christmas Day – Friday 25th December

10.00am at Joseph's  
11.00am at Our Ladye Star of the Sea

### Boxing Day Saturday 26th December

6.00pm at Our Ladye Star of the Sea

### Holy Family - Sunday 27th December

10.00am at St Joseph's  
11.00am at Our Ladye Star of the Sea



Don't forget to register online if you would like to reserve a place at a Christmas Mass. (Limited seating due to covid etc). Click this link:

[greenwichcatholic.eventbrite.com](http://greenwichcatholic.eventbrite.com) (5.00pm on Christmas Eve is already Full).

## Gospel

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent



God sent his messenger, a man named John, who came to tell people about the light, so that all should hear the message and believe. He himself was not the light; he came to tell about the light. The Jewish authorities in Jerusalem sent some priests and Levites to John to ask him, "Who are you?" John did not refuse to answer, but spoke out openly and clearly, saying: "I am not the Messiah." "Who are you, then?" they asked. "Are you Elijah?" "No, I am not," John answered. "Are you the Prophet?" they asked. "No," he replied. "Then tell us who you are," they said. "We have to take an answer back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" John answered by quoting the prophet Isaiah: "I am 'the voice of someone shouting in the desert: Make a straight path for the Lord to travel!'" The messengers, who had been sent by the Pharisees, then asked John, "If you are not the Messiah nor Elijah nor the Prophet, why do you baptize?" John answered, "I baptize with water, but among you stands the one you do not know. He is coming after me, but I am not good enough even to untie his sandals." All this happened in Bethany on the east side of the River Jordan, where John was baptizing.

### Attendance

The whole school achieved 96.865% attendance last week.

Keeping attendance above 95% allows the pupils to achieve their potential.

**Year 4 - 99.3%**

It is our school aim for pupils to achieve 100% attendance or as close as possible. Evidence shows strong attendance directly links to a child achieving their full potential. Through working together, we can ensure that your child receives a full-time education, through regular and structured attendance.



### Secret Present Gift Room

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**On Monday, children can visit the Secret Present Gift Room to purchase, wrap and label a Christmas present for an adult member of their family.**

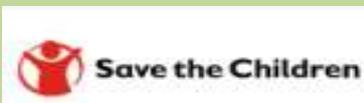
**If your child wishes to visit the shop, please send £2.00 in an envelope, marked 'Gift room' and stating child's name.**

**Siblings have the option of paying £2.00 to choose and wrap one gift together. If there are enough presents, a second visit to buy 2 presents may be possible for an additional £2. If stocks run short, the additional £2 will be returned.**

### **Primary School Admissions**

If your child is due to start primary school in September 2021, you need to apply for a primary school place. The deadline for applications is **15<sup>th</sup>**

**January 2021**. St Joseph's supplementary forms can be downloaded from the school website. Parents/carers who already have children attending St Joseph's must also complete a supplementary form if siblings are due to start school in September 2021. Applications should also be made through the Royal Greenwich Borough website the easiest way to apply is through the eAdmissions portal.



**Thank you for your wonderful generosity we raised £123.55 for Save the Children Charity on Christmas Dinner day!**