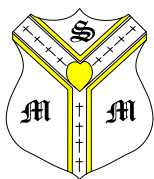


# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 22nd May 2020

Dear Parents, children and friends,

We are moving forward with our plans to expand the numbers currently attending school. It would be very helpful if you could complete the questionnaire which was sent out via the app (<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LVHLTGT>). In order to be able to maintain social distancing, the classrooms in our school have been assessed as being able to accommodate between 6 and 8 children. In the reception classrooms this is between 8 and 16. This means that the entire capacity of our school is 136 children (our usual number is 450). As an infant school, the government has asked us to prioritise key workers and early years (Reception and nursery).

**Please be aware that the week beginning 1st June is half term and school will not be open during that week, the following week, beginning 8th June, only the children of key workers will be able to attend. From the week beginning 15th June, we plan to begin to expand to other year groups, possibly beginning with Reception. Please keep up to date with changes via the app.**

**Please note that Magpies breakfast and after school club will not be available from 8th June due to health and safety guidance.**

When school returns, it will be very different and children may not be in their usual classrooms with their usual teachers, classes will be split and the timing of the school day will be different..

Lots of love, Mrs Byrne

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR KEY WORKERS

It is vitally important that we know when and if you wish your child to attend emergency childcare in school. Please complete the surveys which are sent out. This will ensure that we have the correct staffing each day and as many of our staff can stay safely at home. Please be aware that the guidance clearly states, if children can be safely cared for at home, that is the best place for them at this current time.

Here is the link for the week beginning 18th and 25th May;  
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/J2D9XPC>



## SCHOOL WEBSITE and HOME LEARNING

<https://stmargaretmary.schooljotter2.com/>



**All the staff are missing you all and have made a video. We hope that it makes you smile. Please share it with your children.**

Each week your teachers put lots of ideas to help you learn from home on the school website. Follow this link to find updates for each week.

<https://stmargaretmary.sites.schooljotter2.com/year-groups>

You can find a weekly collective worship to enjoy with your family by following this link:  
<https://www.stmargaretmarysinfant.com/re-catholic-life/collective-worship-at-home-1>

**All families should have received an email from your child's class teacher.**

This is so you can communicate directly with them. If you have not received an email, please contact the school office, it may be that we do not hold an email address for you or the one we do hold is incorrect.



## St Margaret Mary's Parish Online

If you are on **Facebook**, the parish now has a page which is updated regularly and where Mass is broadcast each Sunday.

Search 'St Margaret Mary Liverpool'.

### Novena to the Holy Spirit - "The Fruit of the Spirit"

22<sup>nd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 8pm on livestream – 20 minutes' Service

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Speaker: Sr Bridget Folkard: **Joy** - 1 Peter 1:3-9

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Speaker: Mr Peter Ross: **Peace** - John 14:25-30

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Sr Margaret Baxter: **Goodness** - Luke 6:32-36

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Fr Joe Bibby: **Kindness** – Ephesians 4:29-32

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Mrs Jo Wallace: **Faithfulness** – Proverbs 3:1-4

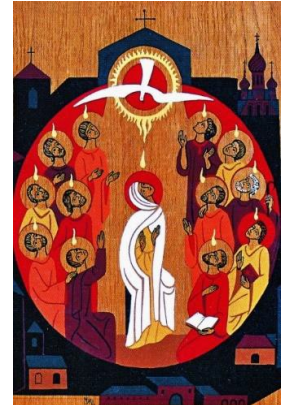
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Sr Joan Marshall: **Gentleness** – Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Fr Matthew Nunes: **Love** – Colossians 3:12-14

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Sr Moira Meeghan: **Patience** - Psalm 37:3-7a

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Speaker: Fr Ian McParland: **Self-control** - Titus 2:11-14

*This is the commemoration of the oldest extended time of prayer in the Church when Mary, Mother of the Risen Lord, gathered with the disciples in the Upper Room praying for the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.*



### What have you been doing at home?

Your teachers have loved receiving your emails, hearing your news and good wishes. Don't forget they are ready to help and support you.

They are missing you so much.

Please send your teacher an email once a week and they will reply.



### READING AT HOME

Unfortunately, we are not allowed to send reading books home or allow you to come to school to collect them. Ideally, children should

be reading something everyday.

OXFORD OWL is a wonderful website with book banded e-reading books which you can access for free.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/>

Many of the books are the same ones we have in school.

