

St William of York RC Primary School

RE & Faith Life Newsletter

Autumn 2



*Together, as God's family we are
learning through love, forgiveness, respect and
compassion to use our unique gifts, challenging
and transforming our world.*

Welcome

We thank everyone at school who continue to support us living out our mission during Autumn Two. We have received wonderful contributions for Foodbank Fridays, and our Christmas Shoebox appeal! Our Caritas Ambassadors and GIFT team have been busy collecting our donations and sending them out into the community. We thank all who have attended Masses, events and assemblies too.

Pope Francis' Special Monthly Mention

The Pope asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. We are invited to answer the Pope's request and to join in with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

November- For anyone who has lost a child

Pope Francis wants us to pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

December - For pilgrims of hope

Pope Francis wants us to pray so that that the Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise Christ in our lives.

*Discuss as a family: What we can
do to take care of the world in
which we live?*



Our Autumn One RE topics:

EYFS - Welcome/ Birthday

Year 1 - Belonging/ Waiting

Year 2 - Signs and Symbols/ Preparations

Year 3 - Families & Promises/Visitors

Year 4 - Called/Gift

Year 5 - Life Choices/Hope

Year 6 - Vocation/ Expectations



Gospel Assemblies

In November and December, Mrs Coyle and the GIFT team led our whole school Celebration of the Word, assemblies, where the children listened to stories from the Gospel.

Mark 12:28-34

Jesus is clear; our first priority is to love God, second is to love our neighbour. In this assembly, we thought about how Jesus wants us to love Him first, with all our hearts, minds and strength not sometimes or by doing good things when we feel like it but first and always.

Mark 12:41-44

This week, the children enjoyed the Gospel story of the widow who gave away her last two coins. The children learnt that Jesus is interested in the generosity of our hearts. We thought about this question - even if it feels like we have little to give, will we trust God and give our all?

Mark 13:24-32

Change is a part of life. Sometimes this is welcome: trees bear fruit, children grow to adults. In this assembly, we think about how changes can be daunting. We listened to scripture on the unchanging nature of God's word, which is the reason for our hope.

John 18:33-37

For our final assembly in the liturgical year, we consider the Church's celebration of the Solemnity of Christ the King. In this assembly children learned that as the true King, Jesus leads us by His Word and His Spirit to the truth of God the Father's love for us.



Shining as we learn in Faith, Family and Friendship!

Our Pupil Leaders at Work!

Checking how environmentally friendly our classrooms are.



A day of formation and training at Mount St Joseph's



Helping to lead our Advent Mass.



Leading whole school celebrations!



Caritas Ambassador training with the Diocese!



Collecting donations for our shoebox appeal



Deciding on our Love in Action Winner



Faith Life Dates for Spring

(To be confirmed on the arrival on the new Parish Priest)



15.1.25	Y5 & Y6 attend Mass at church	9.30am
29.1.25	Y3 & Y4 attend Mass at church	9.30am
30.1.25	Y3 Class Assembly	2.45pm
05.2.25	Y2 attend Mass at church	9.30am
27.2.25	Y4 Class Assembly	2.45pm
05.3.25	Whole School Ash Wednesday Mass in school	9.15am
12.3.25	Y1 attend Mass at church	9.30am
19.3.25	Reception attend Mass at church	9.30am
27.3.25	Y2 Class Assembly	2.45pm
03.4.25	Stations of the Cross led by Y5	TBD
09.4.25	Whole School Easter Mass in school	9.15am

Our Local Charity– Emmaus, Bolton

Emmaus Bolton provides a home and work opportunities for people with experience of homelessness. The aim of the centre is for the local community become as self-sustainable as possible. They offer a wide range services in addition to lots of shops. As well as new and second-hand shops and boutiques, there's a garden centre on site, a workshop where furniture is made to order, a scrap store of recycled art and craft supplies and a recycling centre, where unwanted goods are turned into saleable items to raise funds. Did you

