

CATHOLIC LIFE & MISSION

JANUARY/ FEBRUARY 2023 - VOLUME 3



**TRULY I
TELL YOU,
UNLESS YOU
CHANGE AND
BECOME
LIKE
CHILDREN,
YOU WILL
NEVER
ENTER THE
KINGDOM OF
HEAVEN.**

MATTHEW 18:3

Our 'pray and play' session on Tuesday lunchtime - a great discussion among our students!

PRAY & PLAY CLUB

The pray and play group is on every Tuesday at lunch. This club is a great place where we talk about spiritual related subjects and we discuss things about faith. It helps me to think deeply and have a better understanding of God. Also it is a place to see how other people think and to hear ideas and theories from others perspective. The club is a safe space and a place where I don't feel pressured to always talk and I can come there to listen, think and celebrate that we are all children of God. This club is run by Sister Bora and Mrs Sadiq who always makes me feel welcomed.

Onyekachi Ndu 7A



**Holy Mass is offered
every Friday at
8.10am
Confessions
available before and
after Mass on
request.**

WEEKLY SCHOOL MASS

Mass on Fridays is a really welcoming experience to those who might want to come. It is a short service yet it still consists of the regular things you do at Mass.

Coming to Mass on Fridays can help you on your Catholic journey no matter how old you are or what year you are in. My experience coming to Mass has overall been one filled with blessings.

Thank you Father Kris for conducting our Friday Morning Mass we really appreciate your time and dedication to All Saints pupils.

Osasere Ekenonmaghele 7A



Our theme for next week, based on the liturgical calendar of the Church is "Serve the Lord Joyfully!"

This was a famous saying of St John Bosco, patron saint of young people. His feast day is on the 31st January and he is particularly special to the young people at All Saints, who gather weekly as a community for assembly in the hall dedicated to his memory.

St John Bosco is a model of our RUAH values: Respect, Understanding, Affection and Humour and is someone we should all aspire to be like.

SAINTS OF THE MONTH

This fortnight we look at the lives of three saints from around the world, who were all driven with such zeal for Christ that they were able to cope with tremendous suffering. Their lives can inspire us to do the same.

St Blaise- 3rd February

St Paul Miki- 6th February

St Josephine Bakhita - 8th February

Saint Blaise, Bishop and doctor of Sebaste in Armenia (modern Turkey) around 1,700 years ago. In prison, Saint Blaise was ordered to renounce his faith. He refused so was beaten with wool combs and beheaded. He is venerated as the patron saint of sufferers from throat diseases and of wool combers.

Saint Paul Miki, born in Japan around 1562, was a Jesuit Priest and well-known preacher, converting many to the Catholic faith. Paul was arrested and imprisoned with 25 of his fellow Catholics. They were later forced to march over 600 miles from Kyoto to Nagasaki where he was crucified on February 5, 1597 along with his companions.

Josephine Bakhita is a heroic saint who endured the horrors of slavery from the age of seven, with bravery before escaping to freedom through the group of religious sisters she joined. She is venerated as a modern African saint, the patron of human trafficking survivors.



What have people said about The Flame Congress?

"Amazing grace! What a wonderful day. This is the 3rd Flame event we have attended and there was something very special about this year. In previous years the kids enjoyed it but they weren't captivated by it! This year the message was for them - it spoke directly to where they are at. They heard the Gospel - they were affirmed and encouraged, given hope. Flame this year was for them and they were captivated."

Parish Catechist

Flame Trip - Saturday 4th March

We are running an exciting trip to the largest Catholic Youth Event in the Country, taking place at Wembley Arena!

If your child would like to join us at Flame on Saturday 4th March Letters can be collected from Sister Bora or Mrs McCormick in the Chaplaincy Office.

We will be out for the whole day, travelling by coach from school to Wembley Arena, sitting with Bishop Alan and other Catholic schools from the Diocese of Brentwood.

This trip is for students in Year 9 - Year 13 and costs £20 for ticket and travel. Please do let us know if you have any questions.

SPOTLIGHT ON RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION

At All Saints Catholic School we are committed to promoting the personal and social development and health and wellbeing of all the students within our community. We believe that high quality Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) is a fundamental part of this.

There is an opportunity for parents to engage with the teaching and deepen the experience for your child by logging on to our provider's parent portal, where you can see exactly what your child will be learning in RSE.

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal

School Username: opp-allsaints-8
School Password: rse-parent-white

IMPORTANT DATES THIS MONTH

Sunday 29th- 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Rejoice and be glad: your reward will be great in heaven."

Thursday 2nd February - The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

Sunday 5th February - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You are the light of the world."

Saturday 11th February - The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (patroness of the Diocese of Brentwood)

Sunday 12th February - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children."

In the Chapel - February 2023

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning - 8.10am	Morning Prayer	Morning Prayer	Daily Mass Reading	Pray with Hallow	Mass
Breaktime	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
Lunchtime 1pm	Meditation / Taize	Play & Pray Bible Study for Girls	Rosary	Silent Prayer / Eucharistic Adoration	Rosary

WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning - 8.10am	Morning Prayer	Morning Prayer	Daily Mass Reading	Pray with Hallow	Mass
Breaktime	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
Lunchtime 1pm	Rosary	Pray & Play Bible Study for Girls	Catechesis, Praise & Worship	Silent Prayer / Eucharistic Adoration	Divine Mercy Chaplet