



# ST JAMES'

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Sharing in the Prayer Life of St James' Catholic High School

**This Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September was the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time.** The Gospel reading was from Luke Chapter 16. *'No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.'* Some of our children attended 11am Mass at Our Lady and the Apostles Church last week and we were presented with a blessed **picture of Saint Carlos Acutis**. You can see this in the Chapel.

**Our Catholic Social Teaching Focus:** This week, we are focussing on the Catholic Social Teaching – The dignity of work and the rights of others. We are thinking about the rights of workers to be treated with respect and given a fair wage.

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September is the beginning of Fairtrade Fortnight.

**In faith and family time**, children will be asked to think about what motivates them. They will be learning about what the Fairtrade symbol means, and learning about the work of CAFOD.

KS3 children will have a lesson in the chapel and we will be reflecting on the 'Visitation', when Mary visited her sister Elizabeth. This is because next week we will be receiving an icon of a stained, glass window from Shrewsbury Cathedral, which is being passed around the schools in the Diocese. We will be praying the Angelus.

## Music for worship

Children are invited to join in and play or sing in a music for worship group, by coming to the Chapel on Thursday lunchtime at 1:30pm or after they have eaten lunch.

**Hymn Practice This week**, we are introducing a new song for worship 'Praise the Lord, Oh my soul', it is a lively modern song from Elevation worship, which has a catchy rhythm and opportunities for percussion and harmonies.

**Knit and Natter** is on Tuesday Lunchtime in the Chapel 1:30 pm.

We are making poppies for November followed by mini Christmas bobble hats with chocolates! Beginners welcome.

Children can ask Mrs McGeough (Chaplain) for more information

## Did you know?

There are more than 30,000 products with a Fairtrade Mark worldwide. Buying Fairtrade is easy in the UK as there are an enormous variety of products from bananas, coffee and tea to spices, beauty products, gold, cotton and flowers.





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We invite you to share in our school's prayer life by praying together as a family this week:



## **The Angelus**

**Leader:** *The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary*

**All** *And she conceived of the Holy Spirit*

**Leader** *Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women and blest is the fruit of thy womb Jesus*

**All** *Holy Mary Mother of God pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

**Leader** *Behold the handmaid of the Lord*

**All** *Be done unto me according to Your Word*

**Leader** *Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

**All** *Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

**All** *Amen*

**Leader** *The Word was made flesh*

**All** *And dwelt among us*

**Leader** *Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee;*

*blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

**All** *Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

**Leader** *Pray for us O Holy Mother of God*

**All** *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ*

**Leader** *Let us pray. Pour forth we beseech you O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may be brought by his passion and cross to the glory of his resurrection through the same Christ our Lord.*

**All:** *Amen.*

Thank you, as always, for your prayers and support. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [t.mcgeough@stjamescheadle.co.uk](mailto:t.mcgeough@stjamescheadle.co.uk).

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Teresa McGeough  
School Chaplain

