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**Thought for the week:**  
**'Watch, Prepare, Wait.'**

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## The Pope's Monthly Intentions for December 2021



### Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Friday 10th December 2021

Dear Parents

### Year 3/4 Mass

Thank you to Mrs Coates and all the Year 4 and 3 team for preparing the children for mass today. Our readers read very well. We especially thank all our parents and parishioners for joining us too. There is no school mass next week as the children are holding Reconciliation Prayer services in their classroom before we break up for the holidays. The children will visit our manger scene in the hall throughout the week and offer up their prayers and intentions for Advent.

### Inspire Workshops

This week we saw Year 5 take their Inspire packs to complete prayer activities at home. We look forward to seeing your creations in school or online. Mr Barton will be visiting classes next week with certificates for children who have completed the packs.

### Nativities and Carol Concerts

It has been wonderful to hear and see Christmas services and celebrations alive in our school again with carols, songs and prayer services. As you know these are shared with you on google classroom. If you need any help accessing them please contact the school office.

### End of Term Reports

All pupils will bring home their end of Autumn Term Report today. Teachers have shared strengths and set targets for every pupil. These will be discussed at the parents evening in Spring Term. Well done to all our children for working hard and doing their very best this term.

### Nasal Flu Vaccine

Next Wednesday we see our School Nurse Team visit us to administer the Nasal Flu Vaccine to all our pupils. If you still wish to give consent please let the school office know by Monday.

### Christmas Jumper Day

Next Tuesday 14th December the children will have Christmas Dinner. If your child has sandwiches and you would like for them to have Roast Dinner please let the office know as soon as possible. All staff and pupils are invited to wear their own clothes/ Christmas Jumper or something glitzy to celebrate.

### Christmas Week

The pupils will continue learning about the season of Advent next week in classes and preparing for Christmas. We have lots of activities and crafts planned to ensure that we all have a lovely week together.

### Christmas Raffle

The School Parliament are holding a Christmas raffle which will take place on Thursday 16th December. Tickets are 50p each. There are numerous prizes such as chocolate selection boxes, games, colouring and many more.

### COVID-19

Regular testing is undertaken by all staff weekly. We continue to be as vigilant as we can in school with our respiratory hygiene. We encourage hand washing/sanitisation regularly throughout the day for all members of the school community. If you or your child present with symptoms of COVID-19 please contact the office and let us know if you are undertaking a PCR test.

*Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.*  
 Mrs J Logue

### Prayer of the Week for season of Advent

Light the Advent candle three; think of heavenly harmony, Angels singing 'Peace on Earth', at the Blessed



### Diary Dates

Nursery Nativity will be recorded and sent home on Monday 13th December.

Year 1 and Year 3 Carol concert will be recorded on Monday 13th and Year 6 on Wednesday 15th.

Christmas jumper and lunch on Tuesday 14th December.

School closes at 1.00 pm on Friday 17th December.

### Learning Corner

*Investigate the Jesse Tree.  
 Design some new symbols and share your findings on our Twitter feed.*



Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Leo	Rosa	Rogue
Reception	Natalia & Tienna	Maximus & Aniyah	Adari & Holly
Year One	Adam & Amayah	Max & Laura	Isla & Akiel
Year Two	James & Skyler	Xavier & Fabian	Sahara & Ralphy
Year Three	Joshua & Anashe	Siyena & Jacob	Joel & Subhan
Year Four	Leila. M & Arsema	Pius & Prosper	Ruby & Kaitlyn
Year Five	Aayat & Chisom	Emma & Oliwia	Nathan & Valentina. S
Year Six	Lily-Ella & Muna	Maria. N & Millicent	Alicja & Daniel. L



Ruby, Zachary. A,

Shayden & Violet-Rae



Snippets of News from our  
School Parliament

Well done to the Eco Council who raised an astonishing £268.80 last week on *Blue* day. Mrs Donnelly and the pupils plan to purchase recycling bins for the school and start a fund to purchase their poly tunnel. Many thanks for your support.

Mr Mulligan and the Liturgy team were delighted with the donations of tea, sugar, biscuits and toiletries for the Sanctuary and Parish Food bank. There will be another collection next Wednesday. Many thanks from all the Parliament for your support in this venture.

## Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself, Mr Mulligan or Mr Barton as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in [UNICEF's Article 29 - A Right to an Education](#).

Article of the Week -14



Freedom of thought,  
belief and religion.

**Our overall attendance : 93%**

### ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 90%    Y1 Attendance = 91%  
 Y2 Attendance = 92%    Y3 Attendance = 93%  
 Y4 Attendance = 97%    Y5 Attendance = 93%  
 Y6 Attendance = 96%



Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days]

