



Reflection



This Sunday we will hear a little bit about how hard it can be to follow Jesus. In the Gospel reading, three people offer to follow Jesus but Jesus tells them it will not be easy. Not everyone will understand their choice to follow him. They will have to change the way that they think about things. What is important to them, might not be what Jesus is asking of them.

We know that it is not always easy to follow Jesus. It can be hard to love others and to treat all people as we would wish to be treated. There might be people who laugh at us or who

disagree with us when we try to live as Jesus asks us to. But we can make a choice – to follow Jesus no matter what. Even when it is hard. And we can ask God to help us through prayer, as well as asking our friends and family for help.

How will you follow Jesus this week? And what will you do when you are finding it hard to follow him?

Prayer: Christ Jesus, you call us to follow you and to live our lives as you want us to. Help us to answer that call. Amen.

Mary's Meals

Following on from last years' success, the Mini Vinnies have launched the Mary's Meals campaign. This campaign helps to support children in less fortunate countries to ensure they have nutritious school meals. The promise of a good meal attracts these hungry children into the classroom, giving them the energy to learn and hope for a better future. It costs just £15.90 to feed a child with Mary's Meals for a whole school year- meaning even small donations can make a huge difference. For this reason, each class will have a cup in their classroom with the aim of filling it with spare change between now and the end of July. Please send any spare change in to help support this worthy cause.



Family Mass

This Sunday is our final family Mass of the year. All our families are invited by the parish to join together for Mass at St Mary's at 11am on Sunday 26 June.

Liturgical choir

Our liturgical choir has sang in many Masses throughout the year but this week they sang at the Headteacher's Conference Mass at Trinity and they were amazing. Many headteachers came to speak to the children to tell them how wonderful they were. We are very proud of them as they were so confident, brilliantly behaved in the very hot weather and their

singing was lovely. Mrs Stow has done an amazing job all year at working with the choir and together they produced something very special.

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First Holy Communion



We are so proud of our Year 4 children who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. They were very respectful and reverent and looked very smart. Huge thanks to the parents, catechists and Father Festus and Father Jude for preparing them so well. We hope they had a lovely, special day.

1st Reconciliation Meetings Year 3

There are two meetings for the children before the summer holidays: Wednesday 6th and 13th July at 6-7pm in the Holy Name church hall, LS16 6HW. In September there will be 5 meetings for the child and parent. Dates to be confirmed shortly.

Health week

Last week was a fantastic week. All the children were able to take part in a range of health focused week from orienteering, dance, skipping, the inflatable and of course sports day which was incredibly hot but all the children showed excellent sportsmanship, resilience and perseverance. The parents races were very impressive too! A massive thanks to Miss Roberts for organising all the activities so the children could have such an exciting week.

Thank you to all who bought ice pops too to raise money for a new Catholic school in Ethiopia.

Parent survey

Please complete our annual parent survey
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WQZQNHM>

This helps us to celebrate what we are doing well and what we could do better as we are always striving to improve. Please fill it in separately for each child you have in school so we have a good overview of the school. It should only take a minute at most but we would appreciate your feedback.

Summer fundraiser

Following on from the success of the Good Shepherd Fundraiser, we are having our summer fundraiser on **Friday 15th July at 2.30pm**. Parents are invited to collect the children at **2.30pm** to take part in games, stalls and buy baked goods to raise much needed funds for the school to be able to buy resources for the children.

To allow the event to take place we are asking parents to donate over the next few weeks the following items.

Friday 1st July – bring a bottle.

Friday 8th July – bring a good quality soft toy you no longer want or a book for the toy and book sale.

We recognise we're asking for a lot, all donations will be very gratefully received.



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Grow a pound



We are so impressed with the variety of ways the children have been trying to grow a pound. Selling ice creams, cakes, making bookmarks, loom bands bracelets and bath bombs plus many more! It has been amazing to see how they have worked together and individually to make money and we can't wait to see how much they have managed to raise.



Fundraising for Horsforth St Margaret's football club

The playing fields at King George Field are due to be redeveloped this summer. This is to turn the fields into proper football pitches which will be used by the teams of Horsforth St Margaret's football club which many of our children attend.

The club has asked each of the teams in the club to undertake a fundraiser in the form of a sponsored walk. The boys of the U8's team in Year 3 will be walking over Ilkley Moor on July 2nd. The walk has a just giving page which can be found via the following [link](#) if you are able to donate.

Year 6 bun sale

Year 6 are having a bun sale and uniform sale on **Friday 1 July** to raise money for their end of year celebrations. This will take place in the school car park from 3.15 and will be run by the Year 6 parents.

Awards

Headteacher Awards

Reception – Melody G & Harrison S
 Year 1 – Ruby T & Grace H
 Year 2 – Lucas P & Year 2
 Year 3 – Isla S & Evie C
 Year 4 – Phoebe B & Coen M
 Year 5 – Eve R & Jessica Mc
 Year 6 – Siofra W & Layla R

Virtue Awards

Reception – Owen C
 Year 1 – Alice M
 Year 2 – Mia L-M
 Year 3 – Jemima H
 Year 4 – Jennifer Q
 Year 5 – Anna G
 Year 6 – Ana T

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Diary Dates

*denotes parents welcome

June

Tuesday	28	9.15am	Y1 class assembly*
Wednesday	29	9.30am	Whole school Mass led by Y6*
Wednesday	29		Year 2 class Saint – Feast Day of St Peter
Thursday	30	9.15am	Year 4 class assembly*

July

Friday	1		Bring a bottle to school
W/b	4		Careers week
Wednesday	6		Grow a pound money returned to school.
Friday	8		Bring a good quality soft toy or book you no longer want
Monday	11		Moving up morning
Wednesday	13	2.00pm	Year 6 production*
Thursday	14		Moving up morning Y5
Friday	15		Moving up morning
Friday	15		Reports to parents
Friday	15	2.30pm	School summer fundraiser*
Tuesday	19	9.15 – 10.15	Meet the new class teacher*
Tuesday	19	2.00pm	Year 6 Leaver's Mass in church*
Wednesday	20		School disco – come to school in party clothes
Thursday	21	9.15am	Year 6 Leaver's assembly*
Friday	22	9.30am	Whole school Mass*
Friday	22	3.20pm	School closes for summer holidays
Monday	25		Training Day
Tuesday	26		Training Day

Parish news

AFTERNOON TEA

will be held at Holy Name Hall on Sunday, 3 July 2022 from 3.30 pm, in aid of the new Catholic primary school being built in Nekemte, Western Ethiopia by Fr Melakum (Verona Fathers). Tickets £10 each for adults will be on sale on 19 & 26 June after all Masses. Accompanied children up to the age of 16 free. Please come and support the children of Ethiopia and enjoy this first social event in the parish since Covid. Any queries, please phone 0113 225 3474 or 0113 267 4612.

LOURDES 1-7 JULY

Live feed for some Masses and Services. For pilgrims who are not able to attend this year, please see the diocese of Leeds website, follow the link for Lourdes, and information about the live feeds where pilgrims at home can take part in the services. <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/pilgrimage>

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday Vigil)

Holy Name	6.30pm
St. Mary's	8.15am
Holy Name	9.00am
Assumption	9.45am
St Mary's	11.00am
Holy Name	11.15am