

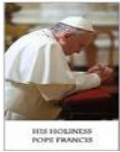
A Catholic School for All

## Our Mission Statement

*Trinity is a Catholic learning community devoted to the common good.*

### Parental Bulletin – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021

#### Let Us Pray: The Pope's Prayer Intention for June: The Beauty of Marriage



Let Us Pray

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness, and patience.

Amen

#### Senior Assistant Principal (Standards and Sixth Form) - MR ALTON (email: [malton@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:malton@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

This week's Gospel readings reveal a God with power. Mark 4, 35-41 sets the scene a great storm which almost swamps the boat which Christ and his disciples are on. While this is happening, Christ is in the stern with his head on a pillow, asleep. His disciples attempt to rouse him 'Master, do you not care? We are lost!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and there followed a great calm. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? Have you still no faith?'

As God's creatures, the forces of nature listen to and obey the voice of their Creator. Though the storms of fear and doubt may have played more significant roles in our lives during this past year, God's love continues to speak to us with words of calm and it's the love of Christ, not the storm, which 'overwhelms us'.

During all of this, our students and in particular our Year 11 students have shown incredibly resilience and fortitude who, through no fault of their own, have been placed under immense pressure this year. They have undergone an increased level of scrutiny in order for us to ensure that the evidence we have on file supports the grades that we have put forward to the Exam Boards today.

It's incredibly heartening to see students refusing to be buckled by the crisis that they have faced. It is right that they should reap the benefits of the good grades that I am sure they will get and I hope that they will have the opportunity to celebrate the end of this stage of their lives at the Year 11 Prom.

You may also be aware of a recent Ofsted inspection which looked into sexual abuse in schools. The inspection of 35 schools (Trinity Catholic School was not one of these schools) revealed that sexual harassment and in some cases abuse were so commonplace that students felt that there was no point in reporting them as this was accepted behaviour. While these findings are distressing, this report does cause us to reflect on our current provision and look at how we can further support all of our students.

In meeting this aim, Mr Foley will be sharing a link to a 'Response to sexual abuse in schools' survey in his section below and via Edulink. We'd welcome your thoughts on this issue and associated areas of the school linked to wellbeing and mental health.

I want to thank you for the support that you have provided to both myself and the Senior Leadership Team over the last two weeks. I'm really looking forward to the parent meeting regarding the behaviour changes which will take place on Teams next Tuesday and will also welcome an opportunity to gain your views on the school and how we move forward together.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

Mr Alton

**Catholic Life - MRS RAYMENT- Lay Chaplain** (email: erayment@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)

This week we have enjoyed our prayer time in the garden which is growing beautifully. It has been lovely to sit there peacefully whilst the rest of the school goes about its business. Today the Year 9s celebrated the Mass of the dedication of St Chad's Cathedral which is the cathedral church of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. It was designed by Augustus Welby Pugin with the first stone being laid in 1839. There was a large Irish Catholic community in the area at the time and the Cathedral was funded by the small but faithful amounts given by the parishioners. You can see pictures of the Cathedral here: <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk>

In the second reading at Mass today, which was from St Paul's letter to the early church in Corinth, he reminds us that we too are God's buildings and that we are precious temples of the Holy Spirit. It is important to remember that our community is the church in all its glory; we are made up of sinners trying our best to become saints. There is no doubt that we will make mistakes and get things wrong, but it is how we deal with these that matters.

*Let us pray:*

*Heavenly Father,*

*We thank you for the Church community, in this school, in the parish, in the Diocese and the wider world.*

*Help us to come together for the good of all those around us and for the purposes of furthering your Kingdom.*

*If we make mistakes, help us to ask for forgiveness,*

*If we are wronged, help us to give that forgiveness,*

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

*Amen.*

**Director of Catholic Life and Personal Development - MR FOLEY** (email: pfoley@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)

It has been wonderful to see the prayer spaces in each form room looking so amazing. Please have a look at our social media to see some examples. Fr Patrick is judging the prayer spaces and the winning form in each year will get a box of chocolates, the overall winner will get a pizza party! It is great to see the students coming together as a form, learning about their house saint or blessed and engaging with different ways to pray and reflect.

Next week the school will be working together to support the Saint Vincent De Paul Society's work for the most vulnerable in Leamington. Each form will be asked to bring in a contribution of either an item for their foodbank appeal or a monetary donation with a suggested donation of £1. Catholic Life Reps will then take part in a sponsored walk to bring the donations to St Peter's Catholic Church on Monday 28th June. They will also celebrate Mass and pray for those in our school community. There will also be a talk from the Saint Vincent De Paul Society on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June for our Catholic Life reps.

Ofsted was asked by the government to carry out a rapid review of sexual abuse in schools and colleges. This report summarises our findings and recommendations. The review shed light on peer-on-peer abuse, sexual harassment, inappropriate sharing of images, pressure to share these images as well as issues surrounding school uniform. Whilst Trinity Catholic School was not part of this review it is crucial, we respond to its findings to ensure students feel safe and that we do all we can to support students who have experienced any of the issues outlined in the review. You can read the full report by clicking the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/review-of-sexual-abuse-in-schools-and-colleges/review-of-sexual-abuse-in-schools-and-colleges>

Thank you in advance for completing this survey <https://forms.office.com/r/hL9dAHL4Bz>

Unfortunately, due to the guidance from Warwickshire we have had to re-evaluate the retreat day with St Augustine's and St Benedict's, which was planned to happen on 24<sup>th</sup> June, however we do not give up - resilience, courage, hope! This retreat day will now be hosted at Trinity and the Soli House team will be split between the three schools to run sessions. We will then link up virtually. The purpose of this retreat day is to focus on Laudato Si, this will be an event for Year 10 Catholic Life reps who will plan a whole school project on improving the environment and awareness of climate change. This is an excellent opportunity for our young people to develop their leadership skills.

**Assistant Principal – MRS HAYDEN** (email: dhayden@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)

This has been a busy week for transition and outreach with our Trinity Experience Days. Trinity staff have delivered workshops in DT, Science and Spanish to Year 5 students from St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, St Mary Immaculate Catholic Primary School and Brookhust Primary School. A huge thank you to those schools for attending the workshops and to Mr Hill, Mrs Cheema, Mrs Feeley, Ms Bingham, Miss Zouhou, Mrs Baggott and Mr Canales for delivering the workshops. Mr Jones and Mrs Compton for driving the mini-buses and Mrs La Spisa for organising the promotional gifts.

Particular recognition needs to go to our Year 8 Ambassadors, Elijah, Elanor and Darcy who have been a huge help to me this week and outstanding role models to the Year 5 students. Their contribution was highly praised by staff from all the primary schools.



**Inclusion Manager and Deputy Safeguarding Lead - MISS CROSSMAN** (email: [lcrossman@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:lcrossman@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

There are a range of free online workshops available for parents and carers in Warwickshire to access, including:

- Understanding your child's behaviour
- Routines and boundaries
- Safe home, happy home
- Sleep
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For more information and to book a place please follow the link -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-children-and-families-17595309993>

**Word of the Week – Week Beginning: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021**

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**The Word of the Week is:** **tract – drag or pull** (Latin word root)

**Trinity Social Media Channels**

We use our social media channels to promote student achievements, subject information and generic educational information. You can find these by searching:



@trinitycathschool



@CatholicTrinity



tcs\_learnington



YouTube<sup>GB</sup> @CatholicTrinity

**Free School Meals Information****Free School Meals**

To check eligibility for Free School Meals:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

Please check any emails sent by Mr Marr about Free School Meals and contact reception to update any contact numbers or email addresses.

**Key Dates: 19<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 (Summer Term)**

- Year 10 Formal Assessments: 14<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- PSHE&C Day: Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- **End of Term: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021**

**Attendance Reporting - Attendance Manager – MRS LYTWYNIW** (email: [plytwyniw@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:plytwyniw@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))**Reporting Student Absence (Illness/Medical and Other)**

A reminder to all parents/carers you are required to notify the school of all student absences (Year 7 to Year 12). This should be done by either:

- using your Edulink account or
- leaving a telephone message on the Student Absence Line - **01926 462929** stating:
  - your name
  - child's name
  - form group
  - reason for absence

If your child is absent for several days, it is important to report the absence every day that they are off school. Medical evidence may be requested for absences. In the event that we need to contact you, please check that your Edulink account contact details are correct and up to date.

**Job Vacancies**

**Trinity Catholic School/Our Lady of Lourdes MAC/Holy Family Catholic MAC**



**For job vacancies at Trinity Catholic School, please click on link below:**  
<https://www.trinity-school.org.uk/page/?title=Current+Vacancies&pid=128>



**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
Catholic Multi-Academy

**For job vacancies within Our Lady of Lourdes MAC, please click on the link:**  
<https://www.lourdesmac.org.uk/vacancies>



**For job vacancies within Holy Family MAC, please click on the link below:**  
<http://www.holyfamilycatholicmac.org/>

### Friends of Trinity

Due to the changes in government guidelines the meeting scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> June has now been cancelled, and we will be rescheduling a date where we can meet in person in the near future.



We would like to thank everyone who donated to the Bags2School collection we are delighted to have raised £144.30.

**Uniform and Standards - MR MARR (email: smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)**

### Uniform and Standards

A reminder that all students should be registering at 08:55am each morning in their respective form groups. Tutors will register, conduct a uniform check, and ensure they are fully equipped for the day. Whilst they are in the minority, we do have the odd student who arrives to school without the correct equipment to learn.

I have included the link to the uniform policy, but the main points are listed below:

- No hoodies are to be worn on the school site
- Outside jackets are to be removed before entering the school building
- Uniform to be correct in line with our uniform policy
- Students must have the correct equipment for learning (pencil case with blue/black pen, a multi colour pen for peer/self-assessment, pencil, rubber, glue stick and ruler). Some subjects will require specialist equipment such as a calculator <https://www.trinity-school.org.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=33>

If you would like further information or support with uniform or equipment, please contact your child's Form Tutor or Head of Year.

**COVID-19 Lateral Flow Testing - MR MARR (email: smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk)**

We will be sending reminder messages, twice each week about testing for Coronavirus. To maintain consistency, please can this test be carried out on a Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. The test should be logged via the NHS website, and you only inform Trinity if your child's test is positive. Testing kits will continue to be distributed via reception, however if you need an additional kit, please contact reception directly.

Please see the original message sent out last week:

Thank you for continuing to record your child's lateral flow test via the NHS website. If you have not registered, please can you do so to help monitor the spread of Coronavirus and to ensure we have enough new testing packs delivered to the school. Testing should take place twice each week with a space of 3-5 days between each test. When reporting the result Trinity's post code must be linked to the record. Please note that you cannot report a result after more than 24 hours and you can only report one result at a time.

Before reporting the result, you will need:

- The barcode on the test strip or the ID number printed under it (the test strip is the part of the kit that shows your result).
- A mobile phone number so we can text you to confirm we've got your result.
- An email address to register.

How to report a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test result, please follow the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Once on the website, click 'start now' and register (this will take a couple of minutes and save time later). When recording your child's result, you will need to click on 'they took the test for school' and then type in the Trinity's post code CV32 6NB.

You can also report by phone:

You can also report your test result by calling the phone number in your test kit's instructions.

If you have a problem with your test kit call 119 or report the problem online.



For any further advice, please refer to the documents we sent out at the start of the testing process, or follow the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/instructions-for-covid-19-self-test>

## Who are you reporting a result for?

- Myself
- Someone else

Continue

## Would you like to sign in or create an account to save your details?

- Sign in or create an account**  
We'll save your details each time you report a test result. Creating an account only takes 2 minutes and you'll save 5 minutes when reporting each test result.
- Continue without an account**  
Your details won't be saved for future tests and all information will have to be re-entered.

You will need your email address and mobile easily accessible to confirm registration.

During the registration and reporting process, you will need to click on the educational setting (school) and follow the next few steps. When recording the result, you will need the test kit barcode to record the results.

### News from the History Department

This Wednesday as part of their current study about the Transatlantic Slave Trade our Year 8 students listened to a taster lecture delivered by Christer Petley from the University of Southampton about the abolition of the slave trade.

Of particular interest was the abolition seal which students linked to our school motto 'equal by means of God's image.'

This was a great opportunity for our students to experience a university style lecture. They all worked incredible hard and completed the task they had been set based on the lecture.

Here is some feedback from our Year 8 students:

Jamie: *"It was very informative"*. Olivia: *It was clearly explained"*.  
Angelina: *"The lecturer divided the talk into different sections which made it easy to follow"*.

General class feedback: *"It was very interesting, and we really enjoyed it"* 8 Red



Thank you to the University of Southampton for this opportunity.

### Learning Support - MRS PRICE (email: [jprice@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jprice@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

Year 7 Transition visits are almost finished. Our Higher-Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) has visited 26 primary schools to meet students and gain information from primary colleagues. Next, she will begin the Enhanced Transition visits for students with higher level needs in Year 6 students; they will be coming into school Wednesday and Thursday morning for the next two weeks.

### Parents/Carers of students with SEN Consultation Day: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Hopefully, you have already received this information via an Edulink message. Appointments are available to meet with the SENCo and HLTAs for any parents you have not yet had a meeting this summer term; or who need an update meeting which has not already been booked separately. Please contact Mrs Bell on [cbell@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:cbell@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk) to request an appointment. We will do our best to accommodate your request

however, it may be that your preferred time and/ or preferred member of Learning Support is already booked. Therefore, it would help if you can provide the following information into Mrs Bell:

Child's name/ Year Group:

I would/ would not like an appointment with the SEND Team before the end of the year.

Preferred time on 30th June:

Alternative dates/ times if needed:

Many thanks,

Mrs Price and SEND Team

**Head of Year 7 - MR DEMPSEY** (email: [pdempsey@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:pdempsey@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

I am writing this as the heat of the summer has been replaced by the tail a tropical rainstorm. It's quite a contrast. From a Year Head perspective, I can also see a change in our Year 7 students who have grown and developed into more confident students who are comfortable and settled here at Trinity.

The changes to subject specific rooming and the movement to and from lessons have presented few problems and I have been very pleased to see the hard work and high standards of engagement on my regular visits to Year 7 lessons.

This week we have looked at resilience and overcoming difficult circumstances in our liturgies and these were both powerful and moving. The emphasis on our virtue of Integrity and the value of Resilience leading to Fortitude and Courage. These values are so important in preparing our youngsters for not only their educational journey but the world beyond Trinity.

Your child will have received their latest LFT pack which they will bring home with them tonight. I believe Mr Marr covered this in his last bulletin and the instructions about reporting test results are there.

We have seen nationally lots of comment in terms of improving Literacy amongst youngsters. The value of reading cannot be underplayed. I know you support us in our endeavours to improve outcomes for our students and I am very appreciative. If I could just ask you to check that they are bringing a book in to school with them and make sure they change them regularly!

I would like to congratulate Jack G, Skye T, Isabelle K, Lucy R, Effie W, Rihanna W and Lucy Z on achieving the most reward points in Year 7 over the past week, Well Done!

Finally, I would like to share this quote from Carl Sagan on the power of reading:

***One of the greatest gifts adults can give—to their offspring and to their society—is to read to children. — Carl Sagan***

**Head of Year 8 - MISS HANSON** (email: [lhanson@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk](mailto:lhanson@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk)) & **MRS MALLE** (email: [jmalle@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk](mailto:jmalle@tcs.loudesmac.org.uk))

Miss Hanson and I have put together a reward incentive for Year 8 students in these final weeks of school. On Monday they will be issued with a form books, with members of the class taking it in turns being responsible for handing it to the teacher.

The aim of the book is to reward good behaviour and highlight those students who meet school expectations every day. The class will be awarded points based on a system Miss Hanson has put together and we will award the top performing form with a special prize. We would also like to encourage our school ethos within our Catholic community. Should you have any questions on this, please don't hesitate to get in touch with myself or Miss Hanson and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Can I also take this moment to ask for your support in ensuring that uniform is correct. I appreciate it has been warm, but we have had to deal with lots of issues regarding behaviour with no ties, trainers, no blazers, skirts too short because they are being rolled up and shirts untucked. I know we only have a few weeks left, but please can the standards. I am sure they are tired of members of staff constantly telling them to tuck shirts in etc. I have made it clear to those repeat offenders that I will start giving out detentions if they do not improve. Uniform is not a trivial matter, it is a reflection upon students mindset and how they approach school life. The expectation is they should be in correct uniform always and if not, then a message to myself or their form tutors is required.

Well done to Year 8 students: Lily C and Leo O who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

We appreciate your support in this.

Mrs Malle

**Head of Year 9 - MR MUSSON** (email: [emusson@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:emusson@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

The fourth PSHE&C Day is Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The theme of the PSHE&C Day will be preparing for work experience. Topics include the following: 'Work Experience Preparation', 'Writing a CV', 'Writing a Letter of Application', 'Kudos (looking at professions)' and 'Mental Health'. Year 9 have the use of the IT rooms for the day. Students will be able to access their CVs and letter of applications from home for future use. Students will need to access their OneDrive from home to locate their CVs and letters.

The Year 9 Mass took place during Period 1 today. It was wonderful to see several of the year group celebrate mass together as a community.

Well done to Year 9 students: George D, Lily V and Izsabel W who have received the most reward points this week. Keep up the good work!

**Head of Year 10 - MR WILLIS** (email: [awillis@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:awillis@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

Our first week of end of year assessments has passed, and I know that our year group has found it a useful experience. The pragmatic side of the process has been important, and I am sure the efforts that parents and carers have put into this point will be positively influencing outcomes. The importance of routine has been emphasised and the reassurance of preparation and knowing what to expect will help the year group as we move towards GCSEs proper. The simple things cannot be underestimated, such as sleeping and eating well, and ensuring that equipment is correct, and that students know where they need to be and at what time. Personal responsibility (with adult support) is essential here.

As we move towards the end of the academic year, I'd like to congratulate Hollie, Reese, Ellis, Amy, Eliza, Lydia, Jacob J, Daisy, Chloe C and Adriana; who at this point are our top ten Dove Merit scorers in the year group. There is still time to make it into the top 10 with over 4 weeks remaining!

**Head of Year 11 - MR MARR** (email: [smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:smarr@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

**Year 11 Prom**

Due to recent announcement, the prom date has changed to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July and will still be held at Chesford Grange. Please return permission slips and OSA2 forms to Reception and payment must be made via ParentPay.

**Transition Material and Transition Days**

I have sent information about transition materials and work to complete before returning in September. This is a perfect opportunity for our students to arrive back to school equipped and ready for their next challenge.

**Foundation Programme Co-ordinator - MR LIGNIER** (email: [jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk))

Next week will be the final week of exam preparation before students begin their exams during the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> June. We will be finalising which day each exam will be taking place next week - timetables will be given to students.

Please ensure that students are doing the homework and revision for these exams as they will be the final exams of this academic year. Some students will be hoping that their results will be enough to get them onto starting college courses, others will be hoping to achieve the next level up in their English and Maths certifications, so they are incredibly important.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on: [jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk](mailto:jlignier@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk) if you have any queries on this or anything else.

**Our School Motto**  
*Equal by means of God's image*