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Friday 27th March 2026

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Gospel Reflection



Saying Yes to God - John 11:1-45

Our assembly today has reflected upon last Sunday's Gospel reading and the importance of faith. We listened to a relatable story of grief, sadness and loss but of also faith and hope in God's power and love for us. Jesus visited his friends Mary and Martha as their brother Lazarus had died. All were close friends of Jesus. The grief and sadness felt by Jesus in the Gospel shows us His vulnerabilities just like our own. Jesus trusts in God and shows His power and saving grace. Martha places her faith in Jesus and says yes to God through Him. During this Holy Season of Lent, we are reminded of God's love for us and asked to put our faith and trust in him.

"Do you believe this?"

She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God..."

John 11:26-27

Nursery Places 2026 and Wrap Around Care

For all of our families and wider community a reminder that we are welcoming and still have, places available for our September 2026 Nursery intake. Please see the flyer below with additional information, including the expansion of our breakfast club and wrap-around care this year.



Reception and Nursery Places September 2026

For all of our families and wider community a reminder that we are welcoming and still have, places available for our September 2026 Nursery intake, as noted last week, we are expanding our wrap-around care later this year, this includes before and after school.

Are you looking for a full-time school-based Nursery place for your child for September?

If so, then we warmly welcome you to St. Margaret Mary's RC Primary School.

We are committed to fostering strong, caring, supportive relationships with you and your child that will be built upon as we journey through school together.



Within school we can offer full wrap around care for your child, including breakfast club facilities from 07.30a.m. We will offer (from Summer 2026), full after school club provision until 5.30p.m. every day. In addition to this Holiday Club places will be available throughout the year.

Please get in touch with our school office for any enquiries. We warmly welcome visits in person, which can be booked through the office.

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Deacon Steven

It was with sadness yesterday that we shared the news that Deacon Steven had passed away earlier this week. As many of you will know Deacon Steven supported the faith life of the parish in many ways, particularly leading sacramental preparations for many of our children. Deacon Steven will be fondly remembered for his faith, kindness, warmth and playful sense of humour. We give thanks that he has been part of our parish and celebrate his life and time with us.

Our prayers and thoughts are with his family at this time.



Rest In Peace

Easter Egg Donations & Tombola

Thank-you once again for your generous support with our Lenten Collections for St Joseph's Penny. On Monday we will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Tombola at 3:15pm. This will be held in the school hall, with tickets for this available to buy **CASH ONLY** on the afternoon of Monday. Tickets will be priced at £1.00 for 3 tickets and will be limited to a maximum of £5.00 worth of tickets per family.



No Year 6 SATs Booster Sessions & After School Clubs

There will be no Year 6 SATs Booster Sessions or After School Clubs next week for the final three days of this half-term.

They will resume after the half-term break.

NO Y6 SATS BOOSTER OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Eco-Refill Shop

On Monday 30th March pupils from our Eco-Team will be running our next Refill Shop after school. Please support this really important pupil-led project and come along to buy cleaning and hygiene products that are eco-friendly, reusable and affordable. Thank-you.



Monday 20th April 2026: Nursery Open Evening

On Monday 20th April we welcome parents/carers and their children starting in our Nursery this September, to come for a look around our EYFS unit. EYFS staff will be available to speak to for any parents/carers who may wish to speak with them.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child as they start their school journey at St Margaret Mary's.



Year 5 Bikeability

A number of Year 5 children will participate in "Bikeability" sessions during the week of 20th April. If your child is to take part you will be notified of this.



Foundation Governor Vacancies

A reminder that we currently have vacancies for Foundation Governor[s] at the school. If you would be interesting in supporting the school in this important role, please see the attached information sheet from the Diocese of Salford and/or alternatively arrange to speak to myself.

**GOVERNOR
VACANCY**

School Closes for Easter Wednesday 1st April at 1.00 p.m.

School will close for the Easter holidays on Wednesday 1st April at 1.00 p.m.

School will re-open as normal on Monday 13th April.



Look at our great work!

wonderful writing

The children in Reception went on a "Bear Hunt" this week ...



The children in 2M have been practising their throwing and catching skills in PE ...



3/4D conducted some fieldwork in their local area. The children conducted a traffic survey and identified ways to improve their local area ...



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5C had a great time performing Samba music outside with Mrs Preen ...



The children in Comic Book Club have been designing characters from their comics and shared their stories ...





Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week' ...



Well done to all of our pupils who demonstrated our school virtues – "faith-filled and hopeful" this week ...





Congratulations to our Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots winners this week. Keep up the good work!



Dates to remember

Monday 30th March 2026: Easter Egg Tombola (after school)

Monday 30th March 2026: Eco-Refill Shop (after school)

Wednesday 1st April 2026: School closes for Easter holidays at 1.00 p.m.

Monday 13th April 2026: School re-opens after half-term

Wednesday 15th April 2026: "Wild Science" in school for EYFS & KS1

Monday 20th April 2026: Nursery Open Evening

Monday 20th April 2026: Year 5 Bikeability sessions

Monday 11th May 2026: KS2 SATs week

Monday 18th May 2026: Year 6 Residential week

Friday 22nd May 2026: School closes for half-term at the normal school finish time of 3.15 p.m.

Monday 8th June 2026: School re-opens after half-term

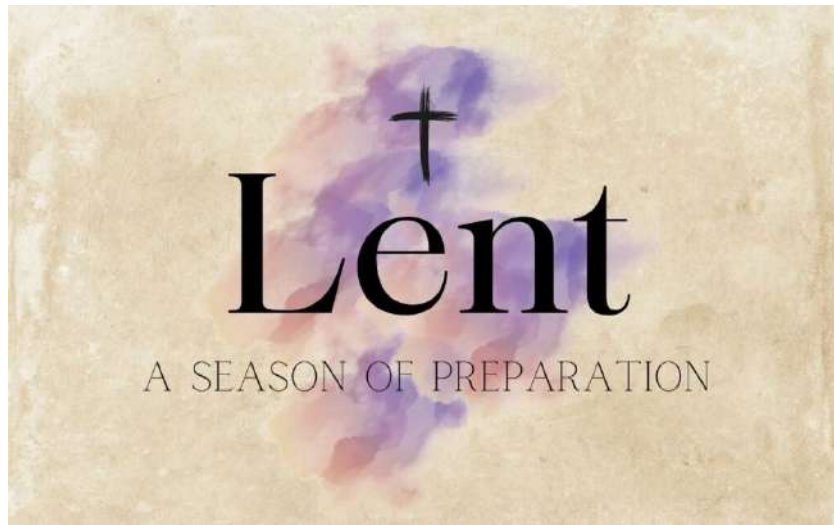
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I hope you all have a lovely, restful weekend.

Take care and God bless!

Mr Sutton

Headteacher



“Lord, we thank you for the gift of faith. Help us to see as you see.”

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