



St. Patrick's R.C. Primary School - Newsletter

6th October 2023

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Weekend Masses: Vigil Mass - **Saturday**: 6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's
Sunday: 11:00a.m. at St. Malachy's

Parish Website: <https://stpatricksliveseyst.yolasite.com/>

School Website: www.st-patricks.manchester.sch.uk

Facebook page: [St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Primary School, Manchester](https://www.facebook.com/St.Patrick'sRomanCatholicPrimarySchoolManchester)



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If there is any parent who wishes their child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Priest of the parish in which you live. If you live within the boundaries of this parish, please see Father Paul after one of the weekend Masses listed above. Alternatively, Father Paul can be contacted on 07764791889 or at paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

**Our Statement to live by next week is:
'I CAN WORK, REST, PLAY AND PRAY EACH DAY.'**



LISTEN TO THE MESSENGERS: It's easy to get caught up in the daily busyness of life and forget what life's really all about. However, to assist us on our path through life, God sends messengers to help us remember what is most important. In this Sunday's Gospel, the servants represent God's messengers (the Prophets) and the tenants of the vineyard represent the leaders of Israel at that time. Jesus told this story because some of the leaders were not listening to God's messengers.

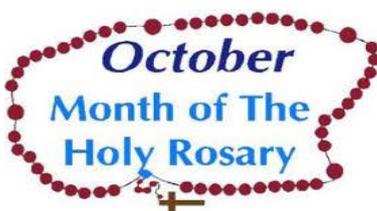
In many ways we are like 'tenants' in this world. The messengers that God sends today remind us that God has a great plan for our lives. We are created for everlasting life and, for now, we are here to share, enjoy and develop what God gives to us in this life.

"Let the message of Christ live in you." (St Paul)

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTER: The attendance for last week can be seen in the table below and the classes which surpassed our whole school attendance target (97%+) are highlighted in green. Therefore, Year 4 were rewarded with an extra 5 minutes play time this week... so well done to them! Special congratulations to Miss Aulton and the Year 5 class for achieving an amazing 100% attendance last week. They were rewarded with a non-uniform day on Thursday!! Year 5 were also the winning class for the ice cream party as a celebration for the highest attendance for the month of September, so a double celebration for them! Well done Year 5. Thank you parents and carers for supporting the school to encourage each and every child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time). Please remember, it is parents responsibility to inform school when your child is absent.



Nursery: 94.9%	Reception: 94.4%	Year 1: 95.9%	Year 2: 94.3%
Year 3: 96.7%	Year 4: 98%	Year 5: 100%	Year 6: 91.3%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 95.4%			



OCTOBER-THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: During October, the children will be learning about the Holy Rosary as a form of meditative prayer devoted to Mary our Mother. Parents, why not take some time over the coming month to listen to many of the child friendly stories related to the Rosary. Perhaps say a decade of the Rosary together as a family before going to bed one evening this week.

BRIGHTEN UP FOR CAFOD: It was wonderful to see the children and staff all dressed up in their brightest and most colourful clothing today in aid of CAFOD! Thank you children/parents/carers for your generous donations and for supporting the wonderful work that CAFOD do for our brothers and sisters who are in need in developing countries.



LALLEY CENTRE APPEAL: Our Charity Prefects have been really busy collecting in all of the generous donations of tins and dried food as part of the harvest tradition. We are supporting the Lalley Centre again this year and all donations will go directly to them to be distributed to families in our local community after the 'Giving' Mass a week on Wednesday. Thank you to all who made a small contribution and as the saying goes... 'Every little helps!'

PRAYER AND WORSHIP: Our next Mass will be on **Wednesday, 18th October** at 9:15 a.m. for Years 1, 2 and 3. The Mass will be led by Year 3 and the theme will be on 'Giving' during this time of harvest. As always, parents/carers are very welcome to join us in church. Come along, the children love to pray and sing with you.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: **ATTENTION YEAR 3 PARENTS!! THE RITE OF PRESENTATION MASS THAT WAS PLANNED FOR THIS SUNDAY, 8TH OCTOBER WILL NOT BE GOING AHEAD AS PLANNED. WE WILL INFORM PARENTS WHEN THE MASS WILL BE GOING AHEAD IN THE FUTURE. APOLOGIES FOR THE SHORT NOTICE AND FOR ANY CONFUSION OR DISRUPTION CAUSED.**

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **CHANGE YOUR VOICE FOR EACH CHARACTER.** If reading a book aloud with your child, try becoming some or all of the characters in the story! Change your voice for the characters. You can speak in a whisper for a shy mouse. You can speak angrily. You can speak in a loud silly voice. You can speak in a quiet voice. Even when you have only one character, have fun changing your voice. This will make the story more entertaining and help your child understand which characters are talking. As a bonus, you will be helping your child learn new words, such as shyly, angrily, happily, and sadly, because children will match your tone of voice to the words in the book and to the pictures on the pages.



HERE TO HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING-HOUSING COSTS: If you're a tenant, the Universal Credit housing costs element can help towards the cost of your rent and some service charges. If you're a homeowner you can't get the housing costs element to help with mortgage payments but you might be able to get help from the government to pay the interest on your mortgage, known as Support for Mortgage Interest (SMI). Whether you want tips on managing your payments, what to do if you fall into rent arrears, or whether an SMI loan is the best option for you, click on the following links to find out more.

[Universal Credit and paying rent](#)

[Support for Mortgage Interest \(SMI\)](#)

ATTENTION NURSERY PARENTS AND CARERS: The deadline for applications for a Reception place in September 2024 is Monday, 15th January. Please click on the link to complete your application.

<https://parentportal.manchester.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>



ATTENTION YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS: There is a very important deadline approaching! 31st October 2023 is when all applications for Year 7 secondary school places for September 2024 need to be submitted. Please click on the link to apply for your child currently in Year 6.

https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500322/secondary_school_admissions/7516/apply_for_a_year_7_secondary_place_for_september_2024#:~:text=If%20you%20live%20outside%20Manchester,be%20classified%20as%20late%20applications.



FACEBOOK: If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so you can keep up to date with all of the latest news! Teachers will be posting about what the class are up to during the week and they'll post photos also! Search us as **St. Patrick's Manchester** and we should pop up.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Nathaniel Shani (RIP), family & friends. The pupils and staff of MCA, Oliver O'Leary, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, CAFOD, the Lalley Centre, Oliver O'Leary, Wilfrid Usher, Father Paul & Father Moses, the Presentation Sisters, our children and staff, all those working with environment agencies, and all other private intentions at this time.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tuesday, 17 th October	Parents' Evening commencing at 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 18 th October	Mass for Years 1, 2 and 3 @ 9:15 a.m. in church
Friday, 20 th October	Non-Uniform Day in aid of school fund - 50p donation
Friday, 20 th October	3:15 p.m. - school breaks up for a half term holiday
Thursday, 9 th November	2:00 p.m. Remembrance service in the school hall-parents/carers welcome

WE CAN *pray* FOR
BIG THINGS,
SMALL THINGS
AND *everything* IN
BETWEEN. IT ALL
MATTERS TO GOD
BECAUSE WE
matter TO GOD.

Stay with us, Lord... on our journey.