



Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter—Friday 9th May

Volume 28

Dear Parents,

Habemus Papam! We have a new Pope!

We give thanks that the church has elected its new head of the church, Pope Leo XIV. We pray that Pope Leo will guide the church to continue growing in faith.



Last weekend, children from OLOP celebrated their First Holy Communion. Both Masses were a wonderful celebration where the children received Christ through Communion. My thanks go to Fr Anthony and the Catechists who have supported the children through this important stage in their faith journey. As always, the choir sang beautifully during the Mass and I extend my thanks to the parents for allowing your

children to attend to sing at the Church. Thank you too to Mrs Smith and Mrs Koeberg for their involvement too.

This weekend the Friends of OLOP are running their first ever Colour Run. I hope many of you have bought tickets to attend as I'm sure it will be an event to remember.

I have been asked by a few parents regarding the end of academic year date following the proposal to end the year earlier to allow for the proposed building move. At the moment, I still have received confirmation from Slough regarding this. As soon as I have more news, I will share this with you all. I thank you for patience with this ongoing matter.

Next week, Year 6 children will be sitting their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. The children are well prepared for these and I'm sure will make themselves and the school proud. Please ensure that your child is on time every day next week to enable the testing to start promptly. The timetable for next week's SATs is:

Monday: English, Spelling and Grammar

Tuesday: English Reading

Wednesday: Maths Paper 1 and 2

Thursday: Maths Paper 3

I hope to see many of you at the Colour Run on Saturday. Wishing you all a nice and relaxing weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr Stopps

Important May/June dates:

Saturday 10th

Friends of OLOP Colour Run

12pm

Friday 16th

Friends of OLOP Coffee Morning

Monday 19th

Marian Mass Liturgy—10:30am

Tuesday 20th

Year 3 trip to RHS Wisley

Monday 26th – Friday 30th

HALF TERM

Monday 2nd June – INSET Day

Tuesday 3rd

Start of New Term

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Class Attendance:

RHA—St Valentine —89.5%

RHC—St Joseph — 91.3%

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska —94.7%

Yr1—St Bernadette —96.9%

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta —97.3%

Yr2—St Mary Magdalene —95.7%

Yr3—St Paul —94%

Yr3—St Martin de Porres —94.8%

Yr4—St Peter —92.1%

Yr4—St John-Bosco —98.2%

Yr5—St Thomas More —95.8%

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi —93.5%

Yr6—St Maximilian —99.1%

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita —91.7%

Whole School—94.5%



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ACHIEVEMENT & SUCCESS



This week's pupils of the week are:

NURSERY — **Mya**

RHA—St Valentine—**Saaim**

RHC—St Joseph—**Jonathon**

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska—**Liliana**

Yr1—St Bernadette—**Stefan**

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta—**Ibrahim**

Yr2—St Mary Magadeline—**Roman**

Yr3—St Paul—**Clara**

Yr3—St Martin de Porres—**Aoife**

Yr4—St Peter—**Zyra**

Yr4—St John-Bosco—**Sandy**

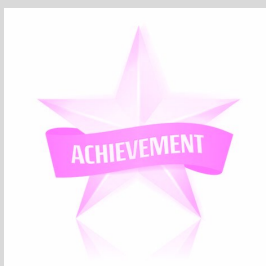
Yr5—St Thomas More—**Alex**

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi—**Levi**

Yr6—St Maximilian—**Teddy**

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita—**Yuvraj**

**Congratulations to all of our pupils of the
week for your hard work and achievements
this week.**





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MY ACTIVE CALENDAR



Get Set 4
Education

My Active Calendar



It is always important to keep fit and healthy (and have fun doing it!)

Here is your very own Get Set 4 PE Active Calendar. Your challenge is to complete an active game every weekday throughout December.

Follow these steps to help you:

- Go to www.getset4education.co.uk and click on the Home Learning tab to see the Active Families Games.
- Pick an active game and play it.
- Write the name of the game you played onto your active calendar and enter a symbol to show how it made you feel. Remember, some days you may not enjoy a game but then love it on another day. Give games a go more than once.

www.getset4education.co.uk



Get Set 4
Education

My Active Calendar May 2025

Name: _____

MON

TUE

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THU

FRI



I loved this
game today.



I found this game
'ok' today.



This isn't the
game for me
today.

			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

www.getset4education.co.uk





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WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

Creating a strong sense of belonging is essential for children's emotional wellbeing and academic success. This guide explores ten simple and effective strategies, such as encouraging participation, celebrating diversity, and addressing bullying, that help schools build inclusive environments where every child feels valued and connected.

We've created this free guide offering parents and educators effective solutions to build inclusive, nurturing environments that help children and young people feel a strong sense of belonging.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

FOSTERING A SENSE OF BELONGING

Feeling a genuine sense of belonging is essential for the emotional and social development of children and young people. Belonging significantly boosts self-esteem, resilience, and mental wellbeing, reducing feelings of isolation and anxiety. This guide provides practical strategies to help parents and educators cultivate inclusive environments, enhancing both academic outcomes and overall happiness among young people.

- 1 CELEBRATE INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES**
Acknowledge and celebrate the uniqueness of every child. Promoting diversity and inclusion creates an environment where differences are valued rather than stigmatised. This acceptance empowers children to confidently express their identities and feel genuinely included, fostering a robust sense of belonging within both school and home settings.
- 2 CONSISTENT COMMUNICATION**
Regularly communicate and actively listen to children, showing genuine interest in their thoughts and experiences. Creating open communication channels helps young people feel heard and valued. This approach not only builds trust but also reinforces children's perception of themselves as a vital part of their family, school and community.
- 3 MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION**
Give children opportunities to actively participate and contribute, whether in classrooms, at home, or in community activities. Meaningful participation helps children feel their input matters, reinforcing a sense of purpose and value. Including them in decisions and responsibilities enhances their self-worth, promoting a deeper sense of belonging and inclusion.
- 4 FOSTER STRONG RELATIONSHIPS**
Support and encourage positive relationships between peers, educators, and families. Strong, healthy relationships significantly impact a child's sense of belonging, providing emotional support and reducing feelings of loneliness. Facilitate social interactions through group activities, teamwork, and collaborative learning to strengthen these vital connections.
- 5 CREATE INCLUSIVE SPACES**
Design environments that reflect diversity and are welcoming for everyone. Inclusive spaces where all children see themselves represented can dramatically improve their feelings of safety and acceptance. Consider classroom displays, books, and resources that celebrate various cultures, abilities, and backgrounds to visibly reinforce inclusivity and belonging.
- 6 MODEL POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR**
Adults play a crucial role by demonstrating inclusive, empathetic, and respectful behaviours. Modelling positive interactions and attitudes sets a clear standard for children to follow. Children are likely to replicate inclusive behaviour, creating a supportive community atmosphere where everyone feels accepted and valued for who they are.
- 7 BUILD EMOTIONAL LITERACY**
Teach and encourage emotional expression and understanding among children. Developing emotional literacy enables young people to articulate their feelings and empathise with others. An emotionally intelligent environment cultivates mutual respect and compassion, fostering a deeper sense of belonging and interpersonal connection within groups.
- 8 SUPPORT PEER MENTORSHIP**
Encourage peer mentorship or buddy systems within educational settings. Peer support enhances feelings of connectedness and security, reducing feelings of isolation. When children support one another, they naturally build community bonds, nurturing a supportive culture where belonging and friendship thrive.
- 9 RECOGNISE EFFORTS REGULARLY**
Consistently acknowledge children's contributions and achievements, however small. Recognition reinforces a child's understanding that their presence and efforts are important. Celebrating individual and collective successes helps cultivate a positive environment where children feel acknowledged, motivated, and deeply connected to peers and adults around them.
- 10 ADDRESS BULLYING PROMPTLY**
Quickly address any incidents of bullying. Promptly intervening demonstrates a clear commitment to an inclusive and safe environment. Creating a culture where incidents are swiftly and effectively addressed reinforces trust, security, and a sense of belonging for everyone involved.

Meet Our Expert
Anna Bateman is Director of Holroyd Education Ltd and Director for Wellbeing and Family Services at Leigh Trust. With extensive experience in systemic mental health in schools, she supports educational leaders across the UK to develop inclusive, resilient, and supportive learning environments. Anna is also the lead expert for mental health at The National College.

#WakeUpWednesday
The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: nationalcollege.com/guides/fostering-a-sense-of-belonging

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FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS

Dates:

10th May - Colour Run

16th May - Coffee Morning

28th June - OLOP Fest



It is happening tomorrow!

We look forward to seeing all the children who have registered at the Colour Run tomorrow. A few logistics for the day:

Nursery to Year 2

Please arrive at 11.45am for registration and collect your wristband

The warm up will start at 12pm after which the children will run, in a staggered manner in their class groups.

The Rainbow Raffle will be drawn at 2pm and Gunge the Teacher at 2.15pm so feel free to stay, cheer on the other children and enjoy our BBQ and Bar area.

Our 'Throw your Own' Zone, where you will be able to purchase individual bags of coloured powder for £1 each will open after the Year 6 run, for anyone who'd like to have a go at throwing at their friends and family.

Year 3 to Year 6

You are welcome to arrive at 11.45am but please arrive no later than 12.45pm for registration and collect your wristband

The warm up will start at 1pm after which the children will run, in a staggered manner in their class groups

The Rainbow Raffle will be drawn at 2pm and Gunge the Teacher at 2.15pm so feel free to stay, cheer on the other children and enjoy our BBQ and Bar area.

Our 'Throw your Own' Zone, where you will be able to purchase individual bags of coloured powder for £1 each will open after the Year 6 run, for anyone who'd like to have a go at throwing at their friends and family.

Please don't forget your white t-shirts and sunglasses or goggles!

Don't forget you are not allowed to bring in your own powder.

Friends and family are welcome to come along and watch, we'll have a BBQ and drinks available so lunch is sorted!

The children will have brought home a sponsorship form before the Easter holidays and all sponsorship donations will be greatly appreciated. Sponsorship can be paid through ParentPay from 10th May, alternatively we will be collecting cash sponsorship money at drop-off time on Thursday 15th May.

Thank you to High Street Mortgages, Simmons & Son Slough, Bridget Orr (Chairman of the Cippenham Royal British Legion Club and DoxZoo for sponsoring the event.



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FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS

OLOPFest

Make sure you save the date for OLOPFest on Saturday 28th June! Our summer event is always our biggest of the year and this time we're having a Festival.... We have live music performances by our fabulous school choir, as well as Sing4You Community Choir and the amazing local band Daft! will be our headline act to end the day. We'll still have bouncy castles, penalty shoot-out and the splash zone as well as food, drink and festival-themed stalls.

Tickets will be available soon so look out for more details.....

We are also looking for anyone who would like to display a board in their front garden to advertise OLOP Fest. Oakwood Estate Agents have kindly offered us sponsorship money for each board so please let us know if you can help - email us your address details on friends@olopprimary.co.uk. Thank you!

Coffee Morning

Please join us for our next coffee morning on Friday 16th May in LKS Hall after drop off. It is a great opportunity to sit and have a chat.

Preloved Uniform Sales

Our preloved school uniform is available through www.uniformerly.co.uk

We have summer dresses, shorts and polo shirts available as well as pinafore dresses, skirts and trousers.

If you have any good quality uniform that no longer fits, please donate it to us so we can stock up our uniform shop. Only uniform that is washed and in good condition please. Feel free to drop off any pre-loved uniform at the office.

Our next uniform sale will take place during coffee morning on Friday 11th July.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS/SUPPORT

Everyone Welcome at the Curve 18th June 2025

Please see Flyer below for a Community Event at The Curve in June.



**Everyone
welcome
at The Curve,
Slough**

Come and say hello on
**Wednesday
18 June**
from 10am to 2pm



- Join the library
- Get help to look for a job or find volunteering opportunities
- Learn to use computers for work or personal use
- Understand and speak English with more confidence
- Find out about events and services for adults, children and families
- Free basic health checks
- Discover the history of Slough

Refugee Week 2025 theme is "Community as a Superpower"





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VOLUNTEERING IN SLOUGH

Thinking about Volunteering in Slough?

Come and have a chat with Tagreed
and find the right opportunity in the
community for you.



#OneSlough
oneslough.org.uk



volunteering@sloughcvs.org.uk

Drop-in Session

Monday 12th
May 2025
9am-11am

Penn Road Children's Centre,
Manor Park,
Slough,
SL2 1PG



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KEEP YOUR KIDS ACTIVE AND SMILING THIS HOLIDAY!

We're excited to invite your child to our **Football & Multi-Sports Holiday Camp** at **Dedworth Middle School** – the perfect place for boys and girls aged **4–11** to stay active, make new friends, and have fun over the school holidays!

What to Expect:

- ✓ Action-packed days full of football and a variety of sports
- ✓ Friendly, qualified coaches focused on fun, skills & teamwork
- ✓ A safe, inclusive environment for all abilities
- ✓ Confidence-boosting games and challenges

📍 **Location:** Dedworth Middle School

📅 **Dates:** All Half Terms. May 26th – 30th

🕒 **Time:** 10am-3pm (9am for an optional Early Morning Drop Off)

📅 **Booking:** <https://www.maidenheadunitedfc.org/coaching/>

But that's not all...

⚽ **Dedworth Sundays Are Back!**

Join us **every Sunday morning** at Dedworth Middle for fun football-focused sessions, perfect for children aged 4–11 who want to stay active, build their skills, and enjoy the game in a supportive and friendly setting.

Sunday Session Time: 10am-11am

Location: Dedworth Middle School

Spaces fill up quickly, so book your child's spot today and give them something to look forward to!

For questions or more info, feel free to reply to this email or contact us on Mark.Nisbet@maidenheadunitedfc.org

We can't wait to see your child there!

Look forward to seeing your superstars soon.



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MAIDENHEAD UNITED FOOTBALL & MULTI SPORTS CAMPS

● Maidenhead United FC
SL6 1SF

● Dedworth Middle School
SL4 5PE

● Holy Trinity Sunningdale
SL5 0NJ

● Cox Green
SL6 3AX



**May
27th - 30th**

10 am - 3 pm | Boys & Girls (4 - 13)



**Book
Online**

www.maidenheadunited.org



**Boys &
Girls**

4 - 13 years old - all abilities

Early Drop Off

9:00 am - 9:45 am £3
cash on arrival

**£25.00 a day
£100.00 a week**

**For any further
information:**

mark.nisbet@maidenheadunitedfc.org

FEB HALF TERM | EASTER CAMPS | MAY HALF TERM | SUMMER HOLIDAYS
OCTOBER HALF TERM | CHRISTMAS CAMPS





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THIS HOLIDAY!**

SUNDAY MORNING CLUB FOOTBALL



Sunday Morning Club @ Dedworth Middle School

AGE 4-12 Every Sunday 10am– 11am

Our Sunday Club's are coached by FA qualified coaches who plan and deliver football sessions to help players get a better understanding of the game, enhance their personal ability and confidence in a fun, active and nurturing environment.

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT: MARK NISBET
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BOOK ONLINE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE
WWW.MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG**

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CHURCH BULLETIN



Our Lady of Peace & St. Andrew's Church Parish Newsletter



Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)

Sunday
Missal
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WELCOMING OUR NEW HOLY FATHER, POPE LEO XIV: We give thanks to God for the gift of our new Roman Pontiff and Bishop of Rome, **Pope Leo XIV**. May the Lord pour out His blessings and graces upon him as he leads the Church with faith, wisdom, and love along the path Christ has prepared for us. We invite all to keep Pope Leo XIV in your prayers, that he may be a steadfast shepherd and a faithful witness to the Gospel.

Mass Times & Intentions				
Sat	10 th May	OLOP	6 pm	Pope Francis RIP (Maria Rawling) Dominic McGlynn RIP 5 th Anniversary (Bamber Family)
Sun	11 th May	OLOP	9.30	Clement Francis INT Thanksgiving (Francis Family) Bridie O'Connor INT (Maria Rawling) Mary Pyle RIP (Flannery) Bridget Campbell INT (Pat Campbell)
		St. A	11.30	Joe Campbell RIP (O'Shea) Jimmy Brett RIP (Mick Brett) Nick Jackson RIP (Karen & Danny Shaw)
Mon	12 th May	OLOP	9.30	Mother Angelica RIP (Maria Rawling) Eva & Patrick Birthday INT (Ola's Children)
Tue	13 th May	OLOP	9.30	Lucy Sweeney RIP (O'Donnell) Special Thanksgiving for Robert's INT (Tkaczyk)
Wed	14 th May	OLOP	9.30	Eleonore Kempson INT (Maria Rawling) Patricia Rose Stroud INT (Miriam Balcerski)
Thur	15 th May	St. A	9.30	Maria Warner RIP 1 st Anniversary (Val Warner) Mgr. Sean Healy INT (Val Warner)
		OLOP	11.15	Requiem Mass - Anna Skroś RIP
Fri	16 th May	OLOP	9.30	Deceased Members of Musial Family (Tkaczyk) Rosemary Fowler INT (Boundy Family)
Sat	17 th May	OLOP	10.00	No Morning Mass
			6 pm	Robert Young RIP (O'Donnell) Clinton (Foundation)
Sun	18 th May	OLOP	9.30	Anne Maasch RIP Birthday Remembrance (Denise) Robert Potter & Christopher Potter RIP (June Potter & Family) Maria Rawling INT (Mairin Comfort)
		St. A	11.30	Eldred Mascarenhas RIP (Zina & Family) Bill De Silva RIP (Angela De Silva)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Loose Collection: £805.79
Sunday Tea & Coffee: £21.60
Wednesday Tea & Coffee: £19.00
DONA Plate: £204.19



MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays – Wednesdays & Fridays
OLOP @ 9:30am
Thursdays St Andrews @ 9:30am
Saturdays OLOP @ 10:00am
WEEKEND MASSES
Saturdays Vigil OLOP @ 6:00pm
Sundays OLOP @ 9:30am
St Andrews @ 11:30am

MORNING PRAYER

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 9:15am
Saturdays OLOP @ 9:45am
Thursdays St. Andrews @ 9:15am

ADORATION

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 8:15am
Saturdays OLOP @ 8:45am
Thursdays St. Andrews @ 8:30am

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Priest: Rev. Anthony Dampson, SMA

Assistant Priest: Rev. Amalraj Lawrence, SMA

Deacon: Rev. Deacon Michael Ossei-Williams

Secretary: Mrs. Venecia Godinho
☎ 01628 605764

Lead Sacristan: Ms. Alma Pepaj

Safeguarding: Mrs. Mairin Comfort

☎ 07456 948001 /
✉ safeguarding.oloop@northamptondiocese.org

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☎ 01628 661886

All bookings for St Andrew's
Please contact the bookings secretary on ☎ 07546 710834.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2025: The Diocese of Northampton is pleased to announce the commencement of the Life in the Spirit Seminars for 2025. Join us for a series of six inspiring sessions starting May 13th, culminating in a special retreat on June 7th. Our Parish church of Our Lady of peace, Burnham, has been selected as the only Hub in Slough. There are six weekday sessions on Tuesdays (May 13, 20, 27 and June 3, 10 & 17) at 7:00pm. The Holy Spirit Day will take place on Saturday 7th June (Pentecost Eve) at 1pm at St John the Apostle, Luton. Visit the website (<https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2025/>) or speak to Parish Office, Mary Magdalene or Shelagh Whitehouse to register.

PARISH JUBILEE EVENT – PILGRIMS OF HOPE: We are delighted to invite you to our massive parish Jubilee event, "Pilgrims of Hope," on the evening of Pentecost Sunday 8th June 2025 at 6pm in Our Lady of Peace Church in Burnham. The Amazing Catholic musical collective **One Hope Project**—renowned across the UK for inspiring fresh expressions of worship—will lead us in song, and Fr. Andy Richardson has kindly agreed to deliver a reflection on our theme. Please bring your friends to this uplifting celebration and help touch the life of a loved one forever! Further details will follow soon.

PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND: The weekend of May 17th & 18th, there will be retiring collection at the end of all Masses.

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CHURCH BULLETIN CONTINUED

DECEASED

✠ Please pray for **Anna Skroś** RIP, who passed away on Easter Monday. Coming from one of the long-standing families in our Parish, her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, 15th May at 11.15am in Our Lady of Peace Church, followed by cremation at Slough Crematorium.

✠ Please pray for **Antony Galea** RIP, who died recently, his Funeral Service will be celebrated on Tuesday, 20th May at 11.00am in Our Lady of Peace Church, followed by burial at Slough Cemetery. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES: The annual Blessing of the Graves will take place on **Sunday, 18th May** at Slough Cemetery at **3.00 pm**. Fr Kevin will also be blessing the Graves at Parkside Cemetery on Sunday, 1st June at 3.00 pm. All are welcome to attend and pray for their loved ones.

CWL: The Catholic Women's League are holding a short WUCWO service at St Andrew's Church on **Monday 12th May at 2:30pm**. (World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations) The theme of this year's service is **'The Family'**. There will be tea and cake. **ALL WELCOME** - you do not need to be a CWL member.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We publish here the banns of marriage between

Mark Kevin Conroy, son of Thomas Francis Conroy & Marie Conroy and Victoria Anne James, daughter of Godfrey James & Wendy James.

They intend getting married at Our Lady of Peace Church, Burnham. Anyone knowing of any reason why this marriage should not take place is bound to bring it to our attention as soon as possible. **This is the Third reading of the banns of marriage.** Please keep them in your prayers.

MASS FOR THE SICK & ELDERLY: A special mass for the Sick will be held on Saturday, June 28th at 2pm in St Andrews. All are welcome to join in prayer for healing and support. We can arrange for transport; please contact the parish office at 01628 605764.

SHEKHINAH PRAYER GROUP: Is back after the long break! This Wednesday, 14th May, the theme will be **Reflections on the Gospel of John 13:31-33a**, for the Fifth Sunday of Easter (C). The speaker will be **Deacon Michael**.

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 20-22 June www.retrouvaille.org.uk
Tel: 0788 7296983

VACANCIES

ST THOMAS CATHOLIC ACADEMIES TRUST: Are seeking a visionary Director of Education to lead our schools to extraordinary success. With 17 schools already achieving outcomes well above national averages, we need a leader with ambition, knowledge, and skill to inspire our community. For more information and to apply go to www.mynewterm.com/jobs/987928861/EDV-2025-STCATL-74871. Closing date for applications 15th May 2025.

THE LONDON AND SLOUGH CHARITABLE TRUST (formerly the LASR) – URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEER DRIVERS: Could you give up an evening or even an early morning to help those in need? Do you hold a C1 Driving License and are over 25 years of age? We need some volunteers to join our weekly rota. Our drivers leave our food share hub in Slough and collect surplus food from 4/5 supermarkets for our packing teams to then redistribute, ready for early morning deliveries every day. For more information, please call Christina 07990 655471 or contact admin@thelondonandsloughrun.org

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the children who received their **First Holy Communion last weekend, on Saturday and Sunday**. What a beautiful and sacred milestone in their faith journey! Around 25 children, having recently celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation, now joyfully received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time. We are deeply grateful to the dedicated catechists and the supportive parents who helped prepare these young hearts for this special day. Your guidance and commitment have made a lasting impact. May God continue to bless each of these children and their families with grace, joy, and His abundant love.

UPCOMING WEDDINGS

We extend our warmest congratulations and prayers to the following couples who will be united in the Sacrament of Marriage at Our Lady of Peace:

✠ **Bronagh Szywala and Steven Douglas**, who will be married on **Friday, 16th May**.

✠ **Sarah Reeve and Ben Stonehill**, who will be married on **Saturday, 17th May**.

May God bless them abundantly as they begin their married lives together. We wish them every happiness and joy in the years ahead.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Saturday, 14th June 2025 This is a truly unique chance to visit our Catholic National Shrine, where Our Lady the Blessed Virgin Mary and Mother of God appeared in 1061. During this Special Jubilee Year, the Slipper Chapel has been afforded the status of HOLY DOOR, with the opportunity for pilgrims to obtain special plenary indulgences.

The coach trip will be filled with singing, joy, laughter and prayer, leading to the Midday Mass with the chief celebrant Bishop David. There will be time for all Pilgrims of Hope to engage in private prayers and opportunities to see the Slipper Chapel and the Anglican Shrine. There will also be an option to walk the Holy Mile at 3pm and participate in the short service at the site of where the original Holy House was built.

Our coach will leave OLOP at 6:45am and 7:00am from St Ethelbert's Slough, leaving Walsingham around 5:30pm.

Tickets are £35 per person, but for families of 4 persons or more, children under 14 are £25 each.

Please bring a packed lunch (cafeteria facilities are also available). To book tickets, please contact

Edward on 07802 753575, Christina on 07990 655471 or Natty 07397 149269. Payment must be made by 2 June 2025.

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Account Number: 46716203 Account Name: RCDN Our Lady of Peace.

✠ GO IN PEACE

Sign Up Now >
for online newsletter

