



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Inspired by the Holy Spirit and guided by the teaching of Jesus

Together we live and learn; we play and pray

Newsletter:

Friday 19th December 2025

Head's News...

As we come to the close of this term and prepare our hearts for the celebration of Christmas, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect with deep gratitude on what has been a truly special first full term for me at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School. I want to begin by saying a very sincere thank you to our whole school community for the warmth, kindness, and generosity that you have shown me since September. It has been an absolute privilege to lead such a wonderful school. Every day I am reminded that Sacred Heart is a place where faith, love, and learning are lived out through the actions of the most amazing children and the dedication of an exceptional staff team. I feel profoundly grateful to serve this community.

At this holy time of year, we turn our attention to the birth of Jesus, God's greatest gift to the world. In the humility of the stable, we are reminded that love, hope, and light often come quietly but powerfully. Throughout this term, I have seen these values lived out daily in our classrooms, playgrounds, and shared moments of prayer and worship. Sacred Heart truly reflects the light of Christ.

I would like to offer particular thanks following our Key Stage Two Christmas Carol Concert on Wednesday, which was nothing short of outstanding. The children sang with joy, confidence, and reverence, sharing the true message of Christmas so beautifully with all who attended. It was a proud moment for our school and a wonderful witness to our faith. My sincere thanks go to all staff who supported the concert, and especially to Mrs Ward, Mrs Culleton, and Mr Johnson, whose dedication, preparation, and encouragement of the children resulted in such a memorable and uplifting celebration. Your hard work did not go unnoticed and is deeply appreciated.

I would also like to express heartfelt thanks to our parents and children for the incredibly thoughtful and generous gifts that have been bestowed upon both myself and the staff. Your kindness and support mean a great deal to us and are truly appreciated. Please know that your generosity is received with gratitude and humility.

As we now prepare to enter the Christmas season, I pray that your homes are filled with peace, joy, and the love of the newborn Christ. May this time of rest and celebration strengthen family bonds and renew us all for the year ahead. On behalf of everyone at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, I wish you a holy, joyful, and blessed Christmas, and I look forward with great hope to all that the New Year will bring. WE very much look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026 – the feast of The Epiphany.



Joy

A man came who was sent by God. His name was John, John the Baptist. He came as a witness – as a witness to Jesus Christ. Priests were sent from Jerusalem to ask John, “Who are you?” John replied, “I am not the Christ.” “Are you the prophet Elijah then – or the Prophet?” they asked. He answered, “No.” “So, who are you?” they asked. “What have you to say about yourself?” John replied, “I am the voice of the one who cries in the wilderness: ‘Make the Lord’s way straight.’” Finally, they asked him, “Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?” John said, “I baptise with water. But someone is coming soon who is more powerful than I am.” This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the River Jordan, where John was baptising.



CHRISTMAS MASSES
At the parish of
The Sacred Heart and St. Oswald

Wednesday 24 December: Christmas Eve

3.00pm Mass for the Vulnerable
5.00pm Family Mass
7.00pm Night Mass in **Sacred Heart School**
7.30pm Carol Service
8.00pm Night Mass

Thursday 25 December: Christmas Day
10:00am Mass

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If you have safeguarding concerns about a child or family, please do not hesitate to contact us on **01733 262449** and ask to speak to a member of the safeguarding team. Alternatively, you can email our DSL directly:

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