

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

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The Holy Name of Jesus



January

Weekend Mass Intentions

Sat - 7.00am – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.15am – Morning Prayer

8.30am – 1st Saturday Confessions until 10.00am

9.30am – Rosary and 15mins quiet Rosary prayer

10.15am – First Saturday Devotions

10.30am – For the Conversion of Sinners

5.00pm – Intentions of Liz Freeman

Sun – The church opens at 7.00pm

8.00am – Rosario Salustro - Anniversary

9.30am – Achila & Susantha - Thanksgiving

11.00am – Intentions of Rita Cox -

5.00pm – **No Evening Mass today**

Mon – 8.15am - Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Betina Jaubert - RIP

No Exposition Today

Tues – 8.15am – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Intentions of Nancy McLoughlin

Followed by Exposition until 11.00am

Wed – 8.15am – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Intentions of Mary Elwood

Followed by Exposition until 11.00am

Thu – 8.15am – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.30am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Intentions of Michael & Eileen Carberry

Fri – 5.00pm – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

6.30pm – Evening Prayer & Rosary

7.30pm – Tafuro, Carmine, Francesco, Maria,

Matalena, Maria & Michelina – Intentions of all.

Sat – 7.00am – Church opens for Quiet Prayer

8.15am – Morning Prayer & Rosary

9.30am – Intentions of the Holy Father

Followed by Confessions until 11.00am

5.00pm – Pat Molloy – 1st Anniversary

Sun – Church opens at 7.00am

8.00am – Giuseppe Salustro - Anniversary

9.30am – For the Intentions of Parishioners

11.00am – Araba Adjaye – Christmas Intention

5.00pm – Intentions of Brendan & Clare Carberry

From 18th January until 25th January we will be following the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

“Where is the infant King of the Jews?”

“We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.”

The Epiphany brings an almost magic atmosphere to the Christmas Feast, like a dark cloud fringed with light. Yet this light is not from that golden legend which Matthew has, perhaps, partially borrowed. This light shines out from a frail child – the Son of the Eternal Father, the Messiah of the Jews, God for the pagans and (as Herod was not) king of all peoples. How wonderfully God adapts his Christmas message to the capacity of his hearers! For the shepherds he uses a manger; for the Magi, a star; for the learned scribes, scripture; for Herod, the Wise Men from the East. The Wise Men symbolise for us the countless multitudes long exiled from paradise yet retaining some lingering, undefiled nostalgia for it. How many has a presentiment about this king of the Jews, born under a lucky star? Only the Magi undertook the journey and followed it through to the end. ‘The heavens proclaim the glory of God’ (Ps 18:2). Relying on their human wisdom, the Magi go first to Jerusalem, the centre of this Jewish mystery. In God’s plan their learning must give way to the revealed scriptures, so that they might learn where the child was. Their dawning and already proven faith could then enter a final stage which will them to recognise the king of an invisible kingdom.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION CONFESSION

Saturday 11th January from

after Mass until 11.00am

Saturday 18th January from

after Mass until 11.00am

Please do take advantage of these times. Always a very special time of the year and so good for us to put things right with God and with ourselves. Face to face or private confessions in the sacristy.

SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL

Weekend 12/13th January 2025

Every year we try to help the SPUC in their work of reducing the number of unborn children who are aborted and to promote the teaching that all are created in the image and likeness to God and that all life is sacred from the moment of conception to the moment of a natural death. Please do support the appeal

PEACE SUNDAY

Weekend 18/19th January 2025

PAX CHRISTI – are a Catholic charity that promote peace in the world. We support them every year. There will be a collection on their behalf.

Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions

January 2025 – For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father’s request and join with many people worldwide for praying for this intention each month. The Holy Father has entrusted these intentions in a particular way to the Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network, an organisation that works to encourage Christians to respond to the Pope’s appeal and to deepen their daily prayer

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE 2025

with trips to Mostar & Surmanci

29th April to 7th May 2025

9 days/8 nights – half-board

Price – Approx £850

Departing from Luton airport. Twin room sharing. Check in luggage 23kg + hand carry. Included are flights, transfer, entrance fees as per itinerary. Single room supplement £225. Not included – travel insurance, lunches; tips & gratuities will be added to invoice. **Prices will increase at the end of December so book early!**

Always a wonderful spiritual experience. Do join us for a very special time. Our first pilgrimage together for some time.



PARISH GIVING

If you use Planned Giving Envelopes please do try to keep up with your giving. The parish relies on a regular income from these envelopes each week. If you are away or do not attend church please make up your giving and that is what **Planned Giving** means. Please, if you can, take out a Standing Order to the parish. Our bank account details are **HSBC Bank plc**. To credit our account: WRCDT – Mary Mother of God Ponders End: 81308432, Sort Code: 40-05-20. Add surname and first name as a reference. Thanks.

THANK YOU

For your kindness and generosity to me and to the parish over Christmas. Cards, gifts and offerings. I am grateful for the love and care that you show. Fr John

MARY'S MEALS

An appeal

Mary's Meals can make money for their work by collecting any unwanted mobiles/ipads/jewellery/watches/cameras. If you have any of these and would be willing to donate them, pop them in a bag. Mark the bag Mary's Meals and hand it in next time you are at Mass. David Chapman will pick them up and deliver them to the Mary's Meals office.

FRIDAY LUNCH

Our Friday Lunch Club is very popular but we are in desperate need of help for a short time to move heavy tables and to help unload food off the van when it is delivered – for about an hour and half from about 9.00am.

MAGNIFICAT

Because of the change of translation the cost of Magnificat has increased in price from £4.99 to £6.50. Sorry!

YOUNG ADULTS DEANERY MEETINGS

Ages 18 – 35

The idea is for young adults (ages 18-35) to meet up once a month at one of the parishes in the Enfield deanery on a weekday evening for a time of prayer, worship (with a talk) and a social. This will allow young adults to grow and develop in their faith with mutual support and friendship. The venue for the next meeting has not yet been revealed, as soon as information becomes available we will let you know. For further details please contact: annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk

THE PRICE OF VOTIVE CANDLES

For quite some time we have been subsidising the price of votive candles in our church. The cost of these candles has increased and so we going to have to raise the price of the candles. We cannot afford to lose income any more so the cost of these candles will increase to £1 each.

LEGION OF MARY

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom

Meeting on Thursday 9th January 2025 at 7.00pm in parish hall

An opportunity to meet together and say our Legion prayers and to give our reports on the work we have achieved over the past few weeks or so.

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The **CCS** are a charity providing young people and children with counselling and therapy, emergency grants for families and carers and adoption and aftercare. There will be a collection box in the church Crib for any offerings you might like to make

Parish Shop – Cribs, Christmas Cards, Cane Calendars, Statues, Rosaries and gifts.

CHRISTMAS QUIET TIMES

Advent is a serious time of preparation and so we really need times of peacefulness and quiet to come before God in prayer. These are times when the church is open for quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon 23rd: 5.00pm – 7.00pm – night prayer

Mon 30th: 5.00pm – 7.00pm – night prayer

In addition to those mentioned below.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Friday Evenings

from 5.00 – 7.15pm

Saturday Mornings

from 7.00 – 8.30am

As we are now in the Jubilee Year do try and give a little more time to Our Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

Wanting a Mass said for a person or occasion is good but a reminder that if you wish a special date then you must hand in your request well in advance if you do not want to be disappointed. Thanks

Introductory Sessions for Parishioners

Anna Dupelycz from the Agency will be visiting the parish talking on 3 subjects

5th Dec – A look at Liturgy

Understanding the Liturgical year

16th Jan – Reflecting on the Eucharist

Understanding the Sacrament of the Eucharist

13th Feb – Reflecting on Reconciliation

Understanding the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Evenings will run from 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Prayers please:

Sick: Mehill Ftoni, Agnes Robinson, Peter Thorpe, Joe Harper, Mary Conway. Suzi Modi, Agnes Guveya, Liz Freeman, Adreina Sifari, Margaret Felgate, Mark Keighrey, Marilyn Theodore. Sara Malaki, John Keighrey, Dan Heath, Geoffry Nwachukwu. Maureen Walker, Eamon Fitzpatrick. Eileen Lacey,

Recently Dead: Agatha Durowaa, Angelo D'Vito, Daphne Sullivan. Thomas Lawlor. Brid McGonagle, Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Phyllis Robinson, Jennifer Browne, Liam Sullivan, Fr David Williamson. Rose Tonkin, Frank Sebagala, Rosemarie Warnesuriya, Elvera Nardone, Victor Saldhana, Fr Damien Crimes, Patrick Mukasa. Philomena Gomes, Peter Thorpe, Fernando Iannelli, John Charlery.

Anniversaries: Dennis Swanton, Solomis & Eleni Djerkallis, Surujnath Ragbir, Sheila Saldhana, Theresa Ragbir, Marie Mendy, Vermeil Joson, Anscaria Dinha, Margaret Paul, Diane Bunker. Peggy Power.

Morning Prayer & Rosary – is said before all weekday Masses. Monday to Thursday and Saturday mornings at 8.30am and Friday evening at 6.30pm before Mass.

Legion of Mary – the next meeting of the Legion of Mary is on Sunday 12th January at 2.45pm in the hall.

Friday Lunch – is served every Friday in the hall from 11.30am onwards – open to all comers – no cost!

Contactless Offerings to the Parish – you can find the Dona Contactless Terminal in the porch of the church for any donations you may wish to make to the parish and for payment for any purchases from the parish Repository. Not for special collections **Please remember:** Please take advantage of the times of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our church. So important as a help to building a relationship with Jesus.

Nightingale Hospice & School of Joy: These are two charities that we support every year at this time – the **NH** a local charity, and the **S of J** a school for children with learning difficulties in Bethlehem – a special collection this Sunday at all Masses.

Finance Committee Meeting – the Finance Committee will meet on Monday 6th January at 2.00pm in the Sacristy

Parish Council Meeting – the Parish Council will meet together on Tuesday 14th January at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are invited.

SUNDAY PLUS

What can I give him?

The gift of perseverance

By Seonaid Alder



He who has a tongue does not get lost in the forest." Perhaps this Zambian proverb applied to the Magi as they arrived in Jerusalem and began looking for the king to whom the star was leading them. As they headed towards the palace, did they wonder why they were asking Herod about the birth of a new king, of whom he was unaware? A reigning monarch only wants to know about their own choice of successor. Surely the Magi realised that Herod wouldn't like their news and would lie about wanting to pay homage to the newborn king.

Perhaps the Magi knew more about stars and symbols than politics! They had done the right thing in asking where Jesus had been born but the wrong thing if they wanted to guarantee his safety. Their highly symbolic gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh were not the usual presents for a new baby – even for one who was a king. (An amusing cartoon suggests that their wives sneaked in afterwards and gave Mary and Joseph food and a bundle of nappies.)

As we celebrate the Epiphany, what could we offer the baby Jesus? It's easy to say that we bring ourselves and that in giving of ourselves we have given everything - but it's much more difficult in practice. It's so simple to make enthusiastic, grand gestures in the beginning and, little by little, chip away at the gift until there's not much left. Perhaps we could ask Jesus for the gift of perseverance?

Seonaid Alder is a retired secondary school teacher.

Holiness doesn't mean doing extraordinary things but doing ordinary things with love and faith.

Pope Francis

Gifts

By Camilla Harrison

Wedding invitations often ask for our "presence" and not our "presents", a pun in which there is both generosity and wisdom. Isaiah describes the time of glorious light for God's people, telling of the gifts of gold and incense, which are there again at the manger, but these are secondary to the joy of the beloved's presence.

Church marriage courses ask young couples to think about "love language". How do they show love? Through action, touch, words or gifts

of time? At the heart of it is, of course, a loving presence in their lives together.

Being mindful and fully present with God in his created world, seeing him in the glory of creation, tending it with reverence, connecting with God through prayer and our human love of each other – spending time in journeying towards him, as the Magi did. Perhaps these are the gifts we can offer.

Camilla Harrison was the head of an RE department at a comprehensive school for twenty years and the writer of two of the Family Walks series of books.

Jubilee 2025

The Jubilee Churches

The Jubilee Churches are eleven churches in Rome which, in addition to the major basilicas, are to be gathering points for pilgrims, where various activities in a range of languages will help people deepen their understanding of the Holy Year. These churches will also offer pilgrims the chance to receive the sacrament of reconciliation and provide space for prayer.

The Jubilee Churches might be unfamiliar to many pilgrims, but they all offer a unique link to the history of the Church. St Prisca's, for example, is one of Rome's oldest sites of Christian worship and honours a martyr whom St Paul baptised at the age of 13. The sixteenth-century church of Santa Maria del Suffragio was built to pray for the souls of people who had died, whereas that of Santa Maria in Monserrato was a hospice for pilgrims who arrived in Rome and had nowhere to stay.



Jesus, I don't have gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to offer you, but I can give you my heart. Take it and fill it with love for you and everyone I meet. ✚ Amen.

Today:
Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

Monday:
1 John 3:22 - 4:6
Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday:
1 John 4:7-10
Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday:
1 John 4:11-18
Mark 6:45-52

Thursday:
1 John 4:19 - 5:4
Luke 4:14-22

Friday:
1 John 5:5-13
Luke 5:12-16

Saturday:
1 John 5:14-21
John 3:22-30

Next Sunday:
Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7
Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

THE Wednesday WORD



Encountering Christ The Wednesday Prayer Custom for Homes, Schools & Parishes

Prayerfully preparing for Sunday Mass with special prayers for our school families



Set aside 10-15 minutes and create a suitable environment by removing any distractions. Make sure that you are comfortable. Perhaps light a candle. Make the sign of the cross and remain still for a minute of settling silence.



Remember that through this scripture our Lord is truly present. Read the Gospel, aloud and slowly, and pay attention to any words that stand out. If any do, meditate on them for a few minutes and be invited into a dialogue with God.

1

Read

The Gospel for Sunday 5th January 2025

THE COMING OF THE MAGI

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. "Where is the infant king of the Jews?" they asked. "We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. "At Bethlehem in Judaea," they told him, "for this is what the prophet wrote: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. "Go and find out all about the child," he said, "and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage." Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

Taken from Matthew 2:1-12 The Epiphany, Year C

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Reflect

After reading the Gospel, did any words stand out? If they did, ponder or discuss them before proceeding with the reflection.

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

The contrast is overwhelming: Herod, the King of the Jews, the nation prepared since all ages to welcome the coming of God to set all things right, fails to recognise the coming of the Lord. Herod is so blind as even to make every attempt to liquidate this child who heralds the completion of history and of Jewish hopes. By contrast the trio of wise men from the East, the traditional home of natural wisdom, show their conviction that the turning-point of history has arrived by journeying over desert and mountain to welcome and pay homage to the Lord. The evangelist is clear that this is the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy of the coming of peoples from the East to worship the Lord. Especially in eastern Christianity, the festival of the Epiphany (rather than the birthday of Jesus) is regarded as a celebration of the manifestation of Christ to the world. 'Manifestation' is the meaning of the Greek word 'Epiphany': it was first used of the public 'manifestation' of the Roman emperor on a state visit, for he was regarded as a deity to whom worship and adoration were due. **What are we celebrating on this Feast of the Epiphany? Why is Epiphany a high point during the season of Christmas?**

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

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Respond & Request

Now slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel once again but this time in silence. Consider how this Gospel could apply to your life in general. Thank God for any insight you may have received.

Then ask God to bless you with a spiritual gift to help you act on any resolution you have made. Perhaps: love, hope, understanding, wisdom, faithfulness, peace, patience, humility, joy, forgiveness, self-control, courage, generosity, faith or something else.

4

Pray for Families

This Wednesday's word for our school families is **GUIDANCE!**

After praying for your loved ones, please remember to pray for our present and future Church, particularly for the families connected to our schools. You may want to conclude this special weekly time with a simple prayer such as:

St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church, pray for us. Mary, Star of Evangelisation, pray for us. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**The Jubilee
Year of Hope**

Share the Prayer: Why not forward a digital copy of this Parish Version to your friends? Also, to see a sample of your primary school's *Family Version*, visit: wednesdayword.org

WEDNESDAY WORD PLUS +

Fr Henry's reflections on the first and second readings of **Sunday 5th January 2025**



1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

The Glory of the Lord Has Risen upon You

Arise, shine out Jerusalem, for your light has come; the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples. Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full, since the riches of the sea will flow to you, the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.



Many of the most glorious passages in the liturgy are taken from this third part of Isaiah, written after the return of Israel from captivity in Babylon. They are full of optimism and a new self-confidence. What is more, they show an awareness of Israel's mission to the world. This awareness had already been implied in God's promise to Abraham that 'all nations will bless themselves in him' – and is picked up by Mary in her Magnificat. But now there is a new understanding: God's choice of the people of Israel was not just for themselves, but so that they could bring light to all the nations. This is expressed in terms of the sunrise which suddenly brings light to a grey world. All the people need to do is simply to lift up their eyes and see the throngs of peoples eagerly coming from the remote deserts to draw salvation from Israel. How aware are we that our mission too is to bring light and salvation to a darkened world, that the message of God's love entrusted to us is given to us not only for ourselves but for all?

How do we (the Church, the people of God) bring the light of the Lord to all those around us?



2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

The Climax of Creation

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

The message of the Letter to the Ephesians is that the mystery hidden from the beginning of the ages has in Christ at last been revealed. In the first century there was great expectation of a defining and transforming event. In Christ this event had taken place. In his earlier letters Paul had already referred to it. Now two other dimensions have become clear. The division between Jews and gentiles is no longer valid, for in Christ all nations are summoned to the salvation promised to Abraham. This was only the completion of the promise that in Abraham all nations would bless themselves. Secondly, in Christ creation was brought to its completion. Just as all creation was created in Christ, the Word and Wisdom of the Father, just so all creation was summed up and brought to a head in Christ. As Christians we believe this, but to what extent do we live by it? Do we see all creatures, and especially all human creatures, as united with us and making sense only in Christ, even if they do not realise it? What confidence and joy this should give us!

What is the "mystery" spoken about in this letter and how do we make that "mystery" known?

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summoned to the salvation
promised to Abraham.**

The Wednesday Word Connecting Home, School & Parish through the Word of God

**The Wednesday Word is under the patronage of St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church
Within the tradition of the Catholic Church, each Wednesday is dedicated to St Joseph**



**THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
ENTRUSTED TO THE WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK
FOR THE YEAR 2025**

JANUARY

For the right to an education.

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

MARCH

For families in crisis.

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

APRIL

For the use of the new technologies.

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

MAY

For working conditions.

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

JUNE

That the world might grow in compassion.

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

JULY

For formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

AUGUST

For mutual coexistence.

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

SEPTEMBER

For our relationship with all of creation.

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

OCTOBER

For collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

NOVEMBER

For the prevention of suicide.

Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

DECEMBER

For Christians in areas of conflict.

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

Pope Francis
Vatican, 31 December 2023

Original in Spanish

LOVE, LISTEN AND LEARN

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025

Due to the fact that there are now fewer pupils in London (there is a continued decrease in the population of children) and the issues with finding affordable housing we currently have some places in our Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 and 3 2024/2025 year groups.

Please contact the school if you wish to apply for a place for your child.



**THANK YOU PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS FOR
RECOMMENDING OUR SCHOOL AND HELPING TO BUILD
UP OUR PUPIL NUMBERS.**

Phone Number: 020 88042396

E-mail: office@stmarys.enfield.sch.uk

'Pupils are eager to come to school each morning because their teachers do their best to help them learn...Pupils learn in a calm environment. This is because the school has high expectations for pupils...Pupils conduct themselves well because they know what is right and have been taught how to behave well. Pupils achieve well across a range of subjects. They are proud to talk about their work which is presented with pride...Warm, caring relationships permeate the school... Pupils are confident that adults will listen to their worries and help them. This means they feel happy and safe...The curriculum is ambitious and well structured...Adults have secure subject knowledge...Leaders have high expectations and are ambitious for pupils...Safeguarding is a priority here.'
(OFSTED Inspection, November 2023).