



Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 28 May 2021

The theme for next week is Corpus Christi (MARK 14:22-24)

This is my body; this is my blood.

Jesus breaks the bread and shares the wine for the last time. He is about to leave His disciples. They will be His hands and feet from now on. When we hope to see God face to face, this simple meal has to be enough for us. Imagine a traveller who is seeking God but cannot find Him. On the long journey, the traveller meets a poor family who have very little for themselves. They share their food with the traveller and talk. Through this simple, beautiful gesture, the traveller sees the presence of love that she has not experienced before. 'I have met with God', she says, 'It is enough for me.'

Dear Lord

**Christ has no body now on earth but yours;
yours are the only hands with which he can do his work,
yours are the only feet with which he can go about the world,
yours are the only eyes through which his compassion can shine upon a troubled world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.
Amen (St Teresa of Avila)**

PRESTON CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

We have been asked to pass on the message below:

Following discussions and careful consideration, it has been decided that, once again this year, the Preston Corpus Christi Procession will take place behind closed doors and live streamed. It is hoped that we can have a normal procession to honour the Blessed Sacrament next year. Details of the live stream arrangements can be found below, and the service will begin at 2.00 pm on Sunday, 6 June 2021. An order of service is attached with this Newsletter but please be bear in mind that all the processional hymns are not needed this year. Despite us not meeting together physically to honour the Blessed Sacrament in procession, it is hoped that many Blessings will flow from this important occasion for our City.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgP4DoEoo8bXwB8mclGvwFg> or by searching for St. Walburge's You Tube Channel - ICKSP Preston-St. Walburge

MARAFIKI GARDENING CLUB

Our Year 7s have been tending to the garden over the past few weeks. The rhubarb crop this year resulted in our kitchen staff baking a delicious rhubarb crumble cake which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. This is something we are looking to develop further in the future. Year 7s have also been sowing and planting a variety of different plants and vegetables. We have been given funding to create some benches for the garden and Year 7 have been fully involved in the design and building process, with the help of Mr Bilsbrough. They have cut the wood to size, sanded, drilled and assembled some lovely furniture. By the end of the process, we will have three benches in the garden. There will be more plant sales in the next few weeks it is a very busy time for the Marafiki Garden!

YEAR 11 LEAVERS - UNIFORM

Please could parents donate any good quality uniform especially skirts of a longer length and trouser with a narrow waist. We would also encourage parents to hand in any good quality PE uniform. Any items can be brought into reception and placed in the uniform box. Thank you for your support.

SCIENCE IN THE NEWS

Food chains and food webs show the interdependence between animals in an ecosystem. All these animals depend on each other, climate change can cause an impact on the population of some organisms, and this can then have a huge knock-on effect. Click here to see the impact on the population of mice in rural Australia.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-australia-57225103>

BRIGHT AS A NEW PENNY

Good as new that old penny at the bottom of your purse that is dull and not shiny any more can be restored to its original glory. Please see the attachment with this Newsletter for instructions.



The Catholic Teaching Alliance, based at Our Lady's is accepting applications for the remainder of this term. Minimum requirements are GCSEs in Maths and English (and Science for primary training), plus a degree.

Teacher training is available in all phases (PGCE with QTS):

- Early Primary (3-7 years)
- General Primary (5-11 years)
- Secondary (11-16 years, in Preston or Blackburn)
- Secondary with post 16 (14-19 years)

Please contact us for further information, or to book onto one of our online information sessions, call 01772 326931 or email ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk

Website: www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org/train-to-teach.html

Dates to remember

Monday, 7 June – School opens

Thursday, 17 June – Sports Day

Thursday, 24 June – New Parents' evening – 5.00 pm and 6.30 pm

Monday, 5 July – Year 6 transition day – Year 8 and 9 pupils remain at home

Friday, 16 July – School closes for summer at 12.45 pm

Thursday, 2 September – Year 7 and 11 pupils return to school

Friday, 3 September – all pupils return to school

Friday, 8 October – INSET day

Friday, 22 October – School closes for half-term