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# Week Commencing: Monday 4th September 2023

## The 22nd Week of Ordinary Time- Year A



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**THEME FOR THE WEEK:**  
**'WE ARE A FAMILY OF FAITH'**

*We Gather to Pray...*



**FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS**

**THIS WEEK:**

- 4TH Translation of St Cuthbert
- 8th Our Lady's Birthday,
- 11th Education Sunday,
- PATRONAL FEAST DAY ST GREGORY  
3RD SEPTEMBER
- 7TH PATRONAL FEAST DAY BLESSED  
JOHN DUCKET

**WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:**

- INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CHARITY  
5TH SEPTEMBER
- NATIONAL READ A BOOK DAY 6TH  
SEPTEMBER
- 8th International Literacy Day



**Galatians 3:28**

There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

**Matthew 16:21-27**

'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.'

**CHRIST LIVES IN ME!**

**GALATIANS 2:20**

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen*

*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*

*Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of death.  
Amen*

*Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, On earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
Amen*



**Bishop Hogarth**  
Catholic Education Trust





# WE PRAY WITH OUR HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS

## PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024



### For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.





# Monday 4th September 2023- INSET DAY

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# Tuesday 5th September 2023- St Teresa of Calcutta

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### Sign of the Cross and Gather

*As we begin this new academic year, we may decorate our class candle and prepare our worship space at the front of the room. We might play some reflective music to help us enter into the time of prayer.*

Loving God, thank you for the joys that summer brought to us. You have blessed us with time to spend with family and friends, rest and relaxation, and a break from school work. As we return to our studies, inspire us to take on a new interest in new classes and new topics. Be with us as we discover old friendships and start new ones. Help us to recognise the gifts you give to us each day and to make good use of them to help build up Your Kingdom here on earth.

Amen.

### We Listen:

'It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. This life that I live now, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave his life for me.' Galatians 2:20



### We Go Forth:

Dear God, You are the source of all wisdom and holiness. Bless each one of us as we begin this new school year. Help us to grow in wisdom and love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord

Amen



### Living the Word of God

Today is the Memorial of St Teresa of Calcutta. She dedicated her entire life to serving sick and forgotten people in Calcutta. She said "In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love." May every action today be done with great love.





# Wednesday 6th September 2023- Feria The 22nd Week of Ordinary Time- Year A



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### Sign of the Cross and Gather

Today is National Read a Book Day. When we pick up a book we can be transported to a different place. "That's the thing about books. Books ' let you travel without moving your feet." –Jhumpa Lahiri, [The Namesake](#).

We give thanks for the gift of reading. As we reflect today, we pray that when we read, our eyes and our mind might be open to new ideas and that what we read might inspire us to be the best we can be.



We remember those young people who do not have access to books or education- may we work for a world where all can be transformed by reading.

### We Listen:

"The Son of God became a man to enable men to become sons of God."

– C. S. Lewis, [Mere Christianity](#)

### We Go Forth:

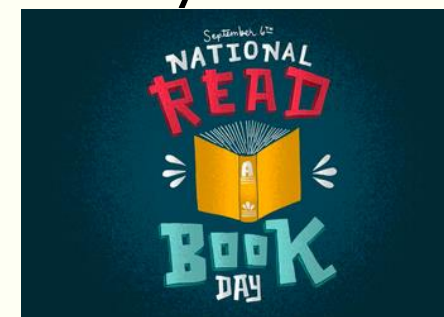
Lord, as we read our books today, help us to learn more about ourselves and more about the wonderful gift of life you have given us.

Amen



### Living the Word of God

Find a book in your school library today and read it! You might want to share your views on the book with your class.





# Thoughtful Thursday 7th September 2023- Blessed John Duckett The 22nd Week of Ordinary Time- Year A



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## Sign of the Cross and Gather

Today we use our class prayer journal and reflect on how Christ has lived in us this week...

We might use some music to help us get into the 'Thoughtful Thursday' Zone! [Click here](#) for some relaxing tunes.

As we begin a new academic year, we all need to have confidence to be the people God has made us to be. Blessed John Duckett demonstrated this virtue perfectly when he refused to give up his Catholic faith even when faced with the death penalty. He was born in Sedbergh, Yorkshire in 1613. He went at the age of 17 to France to train for the priesthood as it was illegal to do this in England at the time. He was a very prayerful and gentle person who came to Newcastle in 1643 to preach the Gospel and to celebrate the Sacraments for the faithful Catholics of the area.

He was arrested shortly after his arrival in the North east when he was on his way to baptise two children. He was taken to Tyburn in London where he was executed on 7th September 1644.

**Blessed John Duckett, pray for us!**



Christ has lived in us this week:

*Reflect as a class how you Christ has worked through you this week. When have we, as a class, let our light shine? How have we shown our love for God through our love of others?*



**This week we are thankful for:**

*As a class, what are we thankful for?  
What has been good about this week so far?*

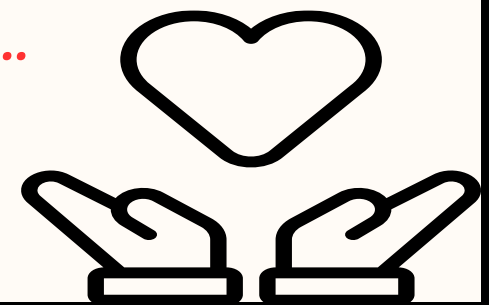


**This week we are praying for:**

*Staff, children and families at Bl. John Duckett RC Primary School  
Those who are sick, sad or lonely...*

*Those who have died...*

*Those experiencing difficulties...*





# Friday 8th September 2023- Our Lady's Birthday The 22nd Week of Ordinary Time- Year A



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### Sign of the Cross and Gather

Today, the Church celebrates the birth of Mary. Mary was chosen before all ages to be the Mother of Jesus. Mary is a wonderful example for us to follow. Her quiet, yet perfect faith reminds us that God has a special call for each of us. At the start of this school year, we ask for the courage of Mary to say 'yes' to God, even when we feel anxious.



### We Listen:

Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed indeed is the fruit of your womb.

Luke 1:42'



### We Go Forth:

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.



### Living the Word of God

Listen to God calling you to be holy this academic year.  
Have the



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to answer His call.

