



'Let's begin with a prayer...' 2023/24

Week Commencing: Monday 11th September 2023
23rd Week of Ordinary Time- Year A

WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:

13th Positive Thinking Day,
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCRACY
15TH SEPTEMBER, INTERNATIONAL DAY
FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE
OZONE LAYER 16TH SEPTEMBER,
NATIONAL TEACHING ASSISTANT DAY
16TH SEPTEMBER JEWISH FESTIVAL OF
ROSH HASHANAH

FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS

THIS WEEK:

MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY 12TH,
13th St John Chrysostom, HOLY
CROSS 14TH, OUR LADY OF
SORROWS 15TH

(Focus this week on the Sign of the
Cross, Introduce Reconciliation, a
display for the parishes to be
displayed on Education Sunday 10th
Sep)

Monday

Feria

In our Gospel at Mass yesterday, Jesus
tells us that 'Where two or three meet in
my name, He shall be there with them.'

We pray that this school where Christ
walks with us, through the joys, successes,
sorrows and challenges. May we recognize
Christ here with us, present in the faces of
all those we will come into contact with
today.

TUESDAY

Most Holy Name of Mary

God our Father, it is in you that we live and
move and have our being. Inspire us to live
in such a way that our choices each day will
lead us to live faithfully the present
moment, and transform the ordinariness of
daily life into something extraordinary.
Bless us this day and always, Amen.

Wednesday

St John Chrysostom

God our Father we pray that we may be inspired by the
teaching of your Son; that we will remember to make
space for silence and reflection in our own lives; and
that we will always use the gift you have given us to
enable our students to discover their own gifts and
become the best people they can be.

May our school community be a place; of faith, of
hope, and of love.

And together we praise God for this new school year as
we say,

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.

Thursday

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today's feast celebrates the fact that through the suffering of Christ
on the Cross- we are all sharers in His victory over sin and death. No one
is excluded from this offer of freedom bought through the cross.

As they were looking on, so we too gaze on his wounds as he hangs. We
see his blood as he dies. We see the price offered by the redeemer, touch
the scars of his resurrection. He bows his head, as if to kiss you. His
heart is made bare open, as it were, in love to you. His arms are extended
that he may embrace you. His whole body is displayed for your
redemption. Ponder how great these things are. Let all this be rightly
weighed in your mind: as he was once fixed to the cross in every part of
his body for you, so he may now be fixed in every part of your soul. -

St. Augustine

Friday

Our Lady of Sorrows

TOMORROW IS NATIONAL TEACHING ASSISTANT DAY
We give thanks for all those who support teaching
and learning in our school. We pray for God's
blessing on our Learning Support Assistants and all
those who work with our young people who have
additional needs. We use the words of St Don Bosco
a saint who 'taught by kindness' to inspire us today:
'Without confidence and love, there can be no true
education. If you want to be loved...you must love
yourselves, and make your children feel that you
love them.'

May our classrooms be places of compassion and
joy.
Amen

THEME FOR THE WEEK:

'Jesus is with us.'



Compassion



Justice



Matthew 18:15-20

'Where two or three meet in my
name, I shall be there with
them.'



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