



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

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**THEME FOR THE WEEK:**  
*'Staying close to Jesus.'*

LINKED CST PRINCIPLE  
LINKED BHCT VIRTUE  
Honesty

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'I am the vine, you are the branches!'  
John 15:1-8

WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:

FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:  
29th St Catherine of Siena, 30th St Philip, 1st May St Joseph the Worker, 2nd May St Athanasius, 3rd St Philip and St James, TRIST MEMORIAL FEAST 2024: The English Martyrs, Saturday 4th May, MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY

### Monday

#### Feast of St Catherine of Siena

Loving God, inspired by St. Catherine of Siena, we ask for the courage to be our true selves, as You created us. May her words, "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire," resonate within us. Help us shine our light boldly, inspiring others to do the same. Through our authenticity, may we kindle a spark of Your love in our school and beyond.

Amen.

### Tuesday - Of Eastertide

Lord Jesus Christ, there are times when life seems a mystery, when we can make no sense of anything, not even our faith, when the events of life confuse and trouble us.

Help us to know you are with us at such times.

Speak again your word of peace, and may our souls find rest.

Amen

### Wednesday of Eastertide- The Memorial of St Joseph the Worker

Almighty and Everlasting God, as we honour St. Joseph the Worker, we bring before You all those who labour, seeking to embody his virtues of diligence and humility.

We ask your blessing and help for those workers whose rights and dignity are compromised, that they may receive the justice and respect they are due. We also implore Your guidance for those within our community who are currently unemployed, especially the parents and family members linked to our school.

St. Joseph the Worker, intercede for us. May your example inspire us to engage in our work with integrity and purpose, fostering a world where every individual's labour is valued.

Amen.

### Thursday - Memorial of St Athanasius

"God became man so that man might become a god."

God became Man for us, to reveal to us the way to the Father.

May we acknowledge that the Incarnate God, Jesus Christ lives in us, and calls us constantly to Live life to the Full.

Amen

### Friday - Feast of Sts Philip and James, Apostles

As celebrate the feast of Saints Philip and James, we remember their faithful witness.

Inspired by their words, "Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us," we seek Your presence at the close of this working week.

Grant us, through their intercession, the grace to see Your hand in all our endeavors and the strength to continue our work with renewed zeal and joy.

Saints Philip and James, pray for us.

## World Religion and Cultural dates this week:

29 <sup>th</sup>	MONDAY	Pesach/Passover
30 <sup>th</sup>	TUESDAY	
1 <sup>st</sup>	WEDNESDAY	International Worker's Day May Day
2 <sup>nd</sup>	THURSDAY	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	FRIDAY	World Press Freedom Day Journalists often write news stories that expose the bad things organisations or governments have done. Why is it important journalists are allowed to speak freely?