

## LENT Newsletter 2023

This Lent we are working as a school to raise money for CAFOD during CAFOD's big Lent walk and also for our house charities at our St Patrick's Mini Market.

We know you will join us in working together during lent to ensure that we support those in need through the three pillars of Lent: almsgiving, prayer and fasting.

### Lenten Events in School

#### Week 1

Ash Wednesday Service - 22<sup>nd</sup> February - Beginning of Lent

#### Week 2

Opportunity for Confessions in school - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

Buddy Mass Y2/3 - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

CAFOD Assembly for all children in school - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

CAFOD Family Fast Day and Big Lent Walk- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

#### Week 3

Buddy Mass Y4/5 - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March

CAFOD workshops for all children in school- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March

#### Week 4

St Patrick's Day Mass - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 9am

St Patrick's Day Mini Market raising funds for house charities (Children only) - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

#### Week 5

Buddy Mass EYFS/Y1 - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March

Whole school mass led by Y6 - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Stations of the Cross - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 9am



**Lent and Easter 2023 – in the Mansfield Pastoral Area**



**STATION MASSES; Exposition and Confession from 6.00pm: Mass at 7.00pm**

followed by Tea and Coffee

St. Teresa's, Warsop	Thursday, 2nd March (no Mass in the morning on this day)
St. Joseph's, Shirebrook	Thursday, 9th March
St. Patrick's, Forest Town	Thursday, 16th March (please note 9.00am Mass at St. Patrick's school on 17th March)
St. Philip Neri, Mansfield	Thursday, 23rd March

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

St. Philip Neri	Friday 7.00pm (Commencing 24th February)
St. Patrick's	Wednesday after 9.15am Mass (Commencing 22nd February)
St. Teresa's	Thursday 10.30am (Commencing 23rd February)
St. Joseph's	Wednesday evening after 7.00pm Mass (Commencing 1st March)

**HOLY WEEK**

<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	1st/2nd April -	Masses as usual	
	Tuesday 4th April	7.00 pm	St. Philip Neri - Service of Reconciliation
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>	7.00 pm	St. Philip Neri only; watching until 11.00pm; Night Prayer at 10.45pm	
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	10.00 am	St. Mary and St. Laurence, Bolsover – reflection service	
	3.00 pm	St. Philip Neri; St. Patrick's & St. Teresa's (no service in St. Joseph's)	
<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>	11.00 am and 4.30 pm	Blessing of Food – in St. Joseph's, Shirebrook	
<b>HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL</b>	8.30 pm	St. Philip Neri ONLY	
<b>EASTER SUNDAY –</b>	Masses as usual	PLUS – 10.30am at St. Joseph's, Shirebrook	





## CAFOD's Big Lent Walk!

This Lent we are supporting CAFOD and joining other schools around the country to help support our global neighbours.



To raise money, we're going to be walking a mile in our classes on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. You can support your child by making a donation to CAFOD for their efforts on the day.

### How our fundraising will help

CAFOD is the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, working together with people living in poverty in some of the most hard-to-reach places in the world.

Our fundraising will support people like Dristy. She lives in a small village in Bangladesh - one of the most at-risk countries from the effects of the climate crisis. Dristy says that cyclones and floods are becoming more frequent for the people there.

Dristy's mum, Rupali, works side by side with her, teaching her how to plant lots of different crops; how to build seed beds that won't get flooded, what trees to plant to protect the village from cyclones; and how to use discarded household items to grow saplings.

Our fundraising will give more families like Dristy and Rupali's the tools and training they need to grow in strength and fight the effects of the climate crisis.

We have chosen to support CAFOD as a way for our pupils to put their faith into action. By raising money together, we will be supporting our brothers and sisters around the world and living out our school mission.

### Join the CAFOD raffle

Another way to get involved at home is to take part in the CAFOD raffle. Search 'CAFOD spring raffle' to find out more.

We really appreciate your support and hope that everyone has fun helping us raise money for CAFOD.

## House Charities

<p>1. St. Bernadette's - Macmillan</p> 	<p>2. St. Oscar Romero - Dogs Trust</p> 	<p>3. Our Lady's - RSPCA</p> 
<p>4. St. George's - Make a Wish</p> 	<p>5. St. Therese's - Team Seas</p> 	<p>6. St. Patrick's - Mission Together</p> 

In partnership and prayer  
Mrs J L Smedley