



Parent Briefing – w/c: 05/03/2018



News from the Catholic Church in Jersey

The annual **St Patrick's Day Mass** will be celebrated at St Mary's & St Peter's church on Saturday March 17th. The Mass will commence at 11.00 a.m. and will include the Blessing and Distribution of Shamrock. If any parents wish their son to serve at this Mass, please ensure that they arrive at the altar servers sacristy at St Mary's & St Peter's church by 10:40am on the day.

LENT STATION MASSES

Each Friday there is a parish Mass at 7pm at a different church. Each Mass begins with Evening Prayer and Adoration and offers the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

- 2 March – St Patrick
- 9 March – Sacred Heart
- 16 March – St Matthieu
- 23 March – St Bernadette

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

- Our Lady, St Martin Sundays - 4pm
- St Thomas Sundays - 5pm
- St Matthieu Mondays - 6.30pm
- St Patrick Tuesdays - 7pm
- St Bernadette Tuesdays - 7.30pm
- Little Sisters Fridays - 5pm
- Sacred Heart Saturdays - 5.30pm.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

Hosts a Family Friendly Adoration every Friday at 4pm - 5pm in St Thomas' Church. We need more grandparents to commit to a rota. Are you able to help? This is a family friendly hour helping parents to introduce children to Adoration. We have appropriate prayer resources available for grandparents to use.

Parents you are very welcome to call by after school with children even if you are not attending the Family Faith and Fun group.

Contact Mary Cahill for further details: m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je Tel: 07797742767 or 732583

Youth news

To keep updated like us on Facebook - Jersey Association of Catholic Youth – weekly plans for youth activities are posted on Facebook.

Follow us on Twitter @JaCy2005

Catholic Youth website We have updated the website. Please visit us at www.jacy.org.je Lots of information on what is happening in Youth Ministry. View our spring term programme of exciting events coming up. Browse our archives and see the things that are on offer for Catholic Youth in our island parish.

Friday evenings in the Youth Room Fridays from 7pm-10pm. School year 7 and up, get to know other young Catholics in Jersey as well as sharing and developing your knowledge of your faith. Join us for themed faith based activities, followed by chill-out time with friends. The focus during Lent is on praying the Stations of the Cross. Tuck shop available. Come along with a willingness to get involved.

Youth 2000 Thursdays from 6.30-8.30pm. Join us for praying the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Youth from school year 10 and up are invited to see how Jesus can help *you* to carry *your* cross this Lent.

Musicians and singers Are you interested in becoming part of a youth music group? We are interested in hearing from you. Contact Moyra on m.journeaux@catholicchurch.org.je or pop into the youth room on Friday evening to get more information.

Football tournament – a joint Knights of St Columba and youth event Saturday 14 April 2pm at Les Ormes Dome. Looking for youth year 7 and up to come and get involved with this fundraising event for Catholic Youth in Jersey. If you do not want to play you can still come along. Put the date in your diary and come and support your youth and the Knights of St Columba. Contact m.journeaux@catholicchurch.org.je

Chaplaincy News

Please join us in the following prayer next week, when we shall be praying for all women as March 8th is International Women's Day.

Heavenly Father, Your Son Jesus affirmed and advocated for the status of women in society. On this International Women's Day we remember your call to build a human community. We join with others in prayer and action to advocate for the rights and freedoms for women and girls around the world. We hold in prayer in a special way women and girls in the Lasallian Family. Take us by the hand and journey with us as we remember your presence in our doing and being. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lent is a season in the Church's calendar when we're invited, for forty days, to find time for prayer and fasting. It's an opportunity for spiritual growth as we prepare to commemorate the suffering and death of Jesus Christ and the celebration of his resurrection at Easter. These six weeks mirror the amount of time that Jesus spent in the desert to fast and pray. The following link provides information and resources to accompany you on your Lenten journey <http://catholicnews.org.uk/lent>

You can use the following links to help prepare for Mass on Sunday 4th March 2018 – The Third Sunday of Lent

http://wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/518-B-Lent-3-2018.pdf

<https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/sunday-bible-reflections/>

Whole School Notices

Jersey Health Survey

We have agreed to support the States of Jersey four yearly Jersey School Survey. This Island wide survey is organised by the States of Jersey Statistics Unit and aims to survey all children in school years 6, 8, 10 and 12. Your son will be given the option to complete the survey during the week beginning the 12th March. More detailed information regarding the survey can be found in the attachments.

Contacting the School

Should you need to email the College about any matter, please email: college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk and your email will be forwarded onto the relevant member of staff. Please **do not** email an individual member of staff directly: should they be away from College for any reason your email will not be received until their return. By emailing the main College address, we will be able to forward your message to another member of staff who will be able to assist in their absence.

Pupil Absence:

Reminder to all parents that any absences through medical/dental appointments must be preauthorised via our attendance officer: absence@dls-jersey.co.uk

In the event of your child being unwell please contact the college via email, absence@dls-jersey.co.uk or telephone on 754103. If leaving a message please let us know what is wrong with your son, please do not simply state 'sick' or 'unwell'.

Please do this each day until your son returns to school. We will not assume that if he was ill on Monday that is the reason he is absent on Tuesday unless you have previously informed us.

In the event your son becomes unwell at school and needs to go home, he should find the nearest teacher to inform them he has to go to sick bay. He should then go directly to sick bay and inform the admin team that he is unwell. The admin team will assist him and contact you, when necessary, to collect your son. Students should not contact parents in advance of going to the sick bay.

Holiday Requests:

Absences for term time holidays and absences not due to illness must be approved by the head teacher. To facilitate this please put any requests in writing via the email address above or as a letter handed in to reception. Requests should be made prior to making any bookings. If a pupil's parents are separated, we would appreciate that we receive a request from both parents to facilitate a more speedy response.

E-safety

For the latest news regarding e-safety please go to the news section on the homepage of our website. This is updated on a daily basis.

Whole School Notices continued...

Centenary Walk

I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know that we are now looking for willing volunteers to sign up for the **Centenary Walk on Tuesday March 27th 2018**. We hope to have 100 people and you will have the option of walking as far as you want or walking to the end of the five mile road. We want this to be a historic event and welcome Lasallians of all ages to participate.

Further details will soon be available and I would urge you to sign up via the web site or directly with myself. Please also pass this through to anyone you think might be interested!

Please contact me on [**centenary@dls-jersey.co.uk**](mailto:centenary@dls-jersey.co.uk)

Date for your diary: Family Bingo night- Friday March 16th- more details next week

Centenary Ties

Owing to demand we have received an extra order of centenary ties in small, medium or adult sizes. These are available to purchase for £10 each. To order yours, please email Mr McCarthy on [**j.mccarthy@dls-jersey.co.uk**](mailto:j.mccarthy@dls-jersey.co.uk), please remember to specify which size you would prefer.

Centenary Exhibition

We will be holding an exhibition of memorabilia on 26 April between 5-7pm in De La Salle sports Hall. Please do pop along to this if you available.

Founders Day Concert

May 15 at Arts Centre. Any old boys who would be willing to participate in this special concert would you please contact Kevin Pallot at [**k.pallot@dls-jersey.co.uk**](mailto:k.pallot@dls-jersey.co.uk)

Celebrating Achievements

It is important to us that we are able to celebrate your son's achievements with him and so we would be very grateful if you could please keep us informed of anything your son has done/achieved outside school. Please email any details and/or photos to Mrs Lucy Fosse: [**l.fosse@dls-jersey.co.uk**](mailto:l.fosse@dls-jersey.co.uk)

Parking on site

Please be aware that all of the numbered spaces in both car parks are allocated to staff.

Please do not park in these spaces - even for 5 minutes

This may, and has, caused major disruption

Primary School Notices

PTA Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Thursday 8th March from 2.45-3.15pm. For further information about the PTA please contact pta@dls-jersey.co.uk

Secondary School Notices

School Ski Trip

We hope that the boys who are off to Verbier on our school ski trip next week have a wonderful time and we look forward to seeing the photos!

Mock exams for Years 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13

Due to the expected snow disruption to the island, the exam week for **Y7, Y8, Y11, Y12 and Y13** has been affected.

For **Y7 & Y8**, the exams that were scheduled for yesterday (Thursday 1-3-18) are now to take place on Thursday next week (8-3-18).

For **Y11, Y12 and Y13**; the mock exams that were scheduled for yesterday (Thursday 1-3-18) took place today instead (2-3-18). The exams that were originally scheduled for today (2-3-18) will now take place on Monday (5-3-18.)

Island Walk Parent Helpers

If parents are available to assist at checkpoints throughout the day, even if only for a short period of time, then please contact Mr McCarthy on j.mccarthy@dls-jersey.co.uk. You will find a list of the checkpoints and timings attached to this briefing.

Secondary School Notices Continued...

Year 11

Maths

Please find Maths revision guides attached.

Music

Support sessions for year 11 Music students will continue this term:

Every morning 8.00am – 8.30am

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes. 1.00 -1.30pm

Tuesday - 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Thursday - 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Year 12 and Year 13

A Level Geography Field Trip

Wednesday 07/03/2018

PE Department

Please find a full PE department programme attached for the week commencing 5th March



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For College sports updates:

@DLSjsyPE