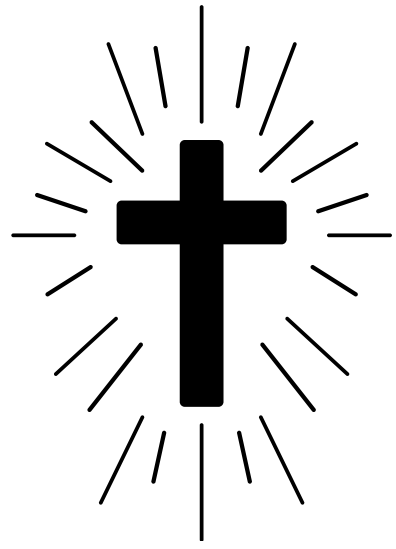


# 2026 TO 2027



# Catholic Life JOURNEY

## SEPTEMBER

### CST Focus - Rights and Responsibilities

- Fairtrade Fortnight Begins
- St. Hildegard of Bingen Week
- H Feast Day Mass
- Community Visit
- Year 7 Welcome Mass
- SVP Feast Day
- Macmillan Bake Off

Pupils begin their journey by exploring the importance of **Rights and Responsibilities**, one of the key principles of Catholic Social Teaching. They reflect on how every person is given rights—such as dignity, respect, and the opportunity to flourish—but also has a responsibility to respect the rights of others and to contribute positively to society.

Drawing inspiration from the life and teachings of St John Henry Newman—who believed that every individual has a unique purpose and role within the life of the Church—students consider how they can act responsibly within our school community and beyond. Through this, they deepen their understanding of what it means to make good choices, to act with integrity, and to take responsibility for their actions in building a just and compassionate society.

Catholic Social Teaching calls us not only to recognise our own rights, but also to stand up for the rights of others, especially those who are vulnerable or in need.

At the start of this new year, we renew our commitment to nurturing students who live out these values by becoming responsible, thoughtful, and compassionate individuals. We aim to guide them in understanding that with every right comes a responsibility: to care for others, to act justly, and to contribute to the common good. In this way, we build a community rooted in respect, accountability, and a shared commitment to living out our faith in action.



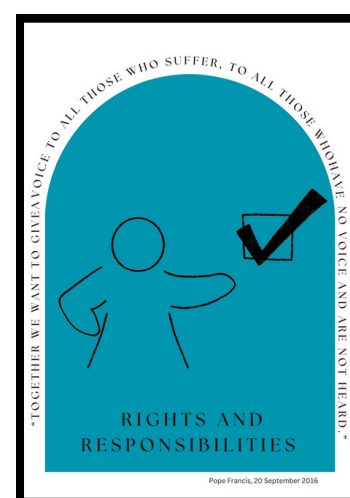
Chaplaincy

Cardinal Newman



## OCTOBER

- CAFOD Soup Day
- Newman Week
- Newman Feast Day Mass
- Community Visit
- St. Francis of Assisi Week
- Launch Harvest Collection
- Black History Month
- F Feast Day Mass
- Year 7 Retreat Days



## DECEMBER

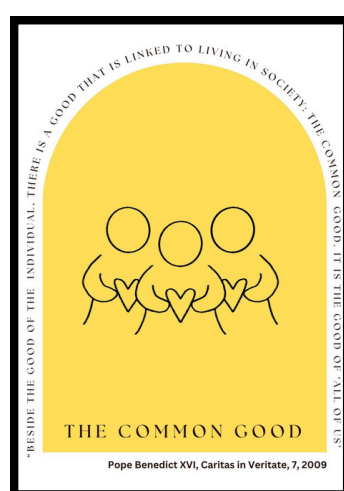
- Community Visit
- Parents' Advent Service
- Community Visit
- Christmas Markets / Jumper Day

As we return from the celebration of Christmas—a season of giving, unity, and hope—we are reminded that working for the **Common Good** is central to our faith. The Common Good calls us to think beyond ourselves and to consider how our actions affect others, ensuring that everyone can flourish and live with dignity. Catholic Social Teaching encourages us not only to care for those around us, but to actively contribute to building a society that supports and uplifts all people, especially those most in need.

At the start of this new year, we renew our commitment to nurturing students who live out these values by becoming thoughtful, inclusive, and compassionate individuals. We guide them to understand that the Common Good is achieved when we work together, support one another, and use our gifts for the benefit of all.

By encouraging cooperation, respect, and a shared sense of responsibility, we help our students recognise that they are part of something bigger than themselves.

Working for the Common Good means creating a community where everyone feels valued and included. It shapes how we learn together, serve together, and grow together, inspiring us to build a school rooted in fairness, unity, and care. In this way, we live out our faith by striving to create a better world for everyone.



## NOVEMBER

- Community Mass
- Remembrance Week
- All Saints' and All Souls'
- Remembrance Service
- Community Visit
- Red Wednesday Reflection
- St. Carlo Acutis Week
- C Feast Day Mass
- Pilgrims of Hope Closing Celebrations
- Christ the King Reflection

## JANUARY

- Epiphany Reflection
- Baptism of the Lord Reflection
- St Rocco's Visit
- Holocaust Memorial Week

## FEBRUARY

- St Josephine Bakhita Week
- Presentation of the Lord Reflection
- Community Visit
- B Feast Day Mass
- Random Acts of Kindness
- Year 8 Retreat
- Pancake and Prayer
- Ash Wednesday Services

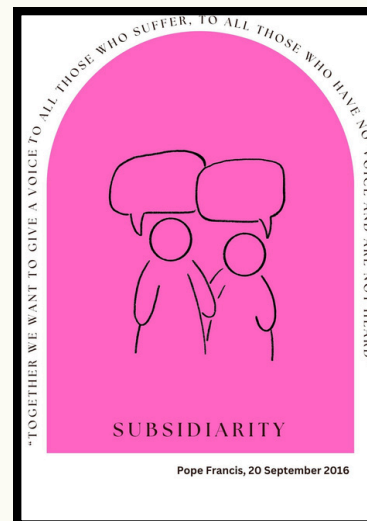


# MARCH

- Community Mass
- Optional Reconciliation
- Community Visit
- Blessed Marcel Callo Week
- M Feast Day Mass
- CAFOD Soup Day
- Annunciation Reflection
- Donkey Procession
- Parents' Lent Service

# APRIL

- Year 9 Retreat
- St Wilfrid of York Week
- W Feast Day Mass
- Year 10 Retreat



As we return from the joyful celebration of Easter—a season of new life, hope, and renewal—we are reminded that each person has a unique role to play within our community. This sacred time invites us to reflect not only on how we support one another, but also on how we encourage individuals to take responsibility and use their gifts to make a difference.

Rooted in **subsidiarity**, we begin this new term with a renewed commitment to empowering every member of our community. Catholic Social Teaching calls us to recognise that decisions should be made at the most appropriate level, allowing individuals to take initiative and contribute in meaningful ways, while knowing that support is always there when needed. As a school community, we encourage our students to grow in confidence, independence, and responsibility. Whether it is leading projects, sharing ideas, or supporting their peers, students are given the opportunity to take ownership of their actions and play an active role in shaping our community. Each contribution, no matter how small, is valued and makes a difference.

Subsidiarity reminds us that everyone has something to offer. It shapes how we learn, how we lead, and how we support one another. By empowering individuals while standing together as a community, we help to build a school rooted in trust, respect, and shared responsibility, where every person is enabled to flourish.

# JUNE

- Community Visit
- Community Mass
- World Environment Week

# MAY

- Crowning of Mary & Picnic
- Easter Masses (All Years)
- Community Visit
- Staff Retreat
- Ascension Reflection
- Pentecost Reflection

# JULY

- Blessed Andrew Phu Yen Week
- A Feast Day Mass
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The Liturgical Calendar, also known as the Christian Year or Church Year, includes the various seasons and festivals that mark the life of Jesus Christ and the foundational events of Christianity. It is celebrated and observed by Catholics.

The Liturgical Calendar is divided into several seasons, each serving a specific purpose within the Christian narrative. The main seasons of the liturgical year are outlined below:

- **Advent:** The season of preparation and anticipation leading up to Christmas, symbolising the waiting for the birth of Christ.
- **Christmas:** A joyous season celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, usually lasting twelve days.
- **Epiphany:** Marking the revelation of Jesus to the Gentiles, particularly represented by the visit of the Magi and the Baptism of Jesus.
- **Holy Week:** The final week of Lent, beginning with Palm Sunday and culminating in the commemoration of Jesus' Passion and crucifixion on Good Friday.
- **Easter:** The pinnacle of the liturgical year, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The season of Easter lasts for forty days, concluding with the Ascension of Jesus.
- **Pentecost:** Commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the birth of the early Christian Church.

During each season, specific liturgical colours, hymns, prayers, and readings are used to enhance worship and engage the faithful. In addition, significant events and saints' days are often commemorated on particular dates in the liturgical calendar, fostering a connection with the wider Christian community and the heritage of the faith.

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For more information about the Liturgical Year, please click on the link above.

# Liturgical Calendar

