



10th October 2025

Dear Parents,

Today, I attended the Diocesan Schools Mass in Dunstable with Federica and the Faith Ambassadors. What a joyous occasion! One of the children said at the end, “This is the best Mass ever!” and to be honest, I completely agree. It is an absolute privilege to work in education, but even more special to be involved in Catholic education. As I looked around the church and listened to the children singing “The Blessing” at the end of Mass, I really was in awe.

This week has also been a very active one, with two sports festivals in Amersham and the last Chiltern League football fixture away to Waterside. It was another battling performance in the Chiltern League, with the children coming away with a 1–1 draw thanks to another goal from Rory.

Finally, just a brief apology from me to Evie in Year 6, who I didn’t mention in the newsletter last week despite earning a medal at the cross country the week before. Evie came 7th overall and has finished in the top 10 every time she has run, which is incredible. Apologies, and well done, Evie.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Youth Mass at St Columba’s on Sunday. The children’s incredible artwork, inspired by Carlo Acutis, will be on display, so it might be a good idea to arrive half an hour early.

God bless,

Mr Holdsworth



Accelerated Reader

The children who are already above their target and are higher than 85% in their quizzes are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Rory	Arthur	Keera	Tamsin
	Ayla	Rory	Alyssa	Elizabeth
	Noelia	Ruby	Chloe	Eleanor
	Varun	Josephine	James	Jude
	Tosia	Ann	Michael C	Arthur
		Juno	Szymon	Jacob
		Elena	Malwina	Shanaya
		Francesca	Michael F	Aliza
		Thomas	Cuthbert	Hansika
		Allison	Mason	Florence
		Roberto	Misha	Erin
		Ralph	Victoria	Olive
		Niamh	Hansini	Divine
		Caolan	Cat Cat	
		Eugenie	Julia	
		Genevieve	Xavier	
		Martha	Annie	
		Jan	Klara	
		Nathan	Hanna	
			Nikolay	

Attendance

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Gratitude Assembly Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Bertie, Patrick
Year 2	Mindy, Zac
Year 3	Reuben, Tiernan
Year 4	Elena, Megan
Year 5	Alyssa, Minchun
Year 6	Hugo, Sienna- Rose

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Ruby Amanfu • The Blessings (Instrumental)



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teresawatson7 🙏💙 OLS family always, the ties never break.



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olscheshambois Full Rosary for PEACE at the Popes request. The feast of our Lady of the Rosary, with Yr2 children from the Rosary Group. Mary, Queen of Peace: pray for us! #OLSchaplaincy
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News From The Parishes

Youth Masses

ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Masses @ 9 am (traditional choir) & 6 pm (Youth Band/ Choir)

Polish Mass @ 12 noon (1st & 3rd Sunday of the month)

Next Youth Mass: Sunday 13th October @ 6 pm

Artwork will be displayed on Saint Carlo Acutis by the OLS children from all year groups

IHM – Great Missenden

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Mass @ 11 am (with children's liturgy), followed by refreshments in the hall.

Polish Mass @ 12.15pm (2nd & 4th Sunday of the month)

Next Youth Mass: Sunday 5th October @ 11 am

Our Lady's and St Aidan's parishes

Priest: Father Roy

Sunday Mass times:

Our Lady's - Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am (with children's liturgy and a choir for children in Year 3 and above - all welcome to come and sing, and there's a brief practice after Mass)

St Aidan's - Saturday 6:15 pm; Sunday 9 am (Polish Mass) and 11 am

Next Youth Mass: Sunday 8th November @ 6.15pm

For those of you with younger children, OLOPS Toddler Group runs in the guildroom at the back of Our Lady's Church on Fridays in term time for children aged 0-4 and their parent or carer. We have lots of toys to play with and always finish with a snack and singing. The official timing is 9:15 to 10:30, but you are welcome to come earlier if you're at a loose end after dropping your older child off at school.