



# Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

This Saturday our Parish mission week begins. The parishes of All Saints' and Saint Mary's will welcome the Redemptorist Mission team to lead a week of special events to refresh our faith and renew our relationship with Jesus. There will be a range of events throughout the week, which can be found on the school newsletter, on the leaflets sent home or on the Glossop Catholics website ([www.glossopcatholics.org.uk](http://www.glossopcatholics.org.uk))

As a school, we are particularly involved in two events during the Mission week and look forward to the opportunity of re-energising parish/school links. We hope as many children and family members as possible are able to join us in these special events throughout the week.

The first event that the school will be involved in is a **whole school Mass** in Saint Mary Crowned church on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 10am**. This will be the first parish/school Mass since before the pandemic, so will be a wonderful occasion to celebrate together as a community. Children will be involved in the Mass through serving on the altar, singing, reading or taking part in the offertory procession. The children will leave school at 9.30am to walk to church, if you are able to help walk the children to church, then please let us know. Your support and attendance at this Mass will be much appreciated by the pupils and the parish community.

The second event is a **Family Celebration evening** at St Mary Crowned church on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm**. **All children and family members are encouraged to attend this celebration along with the whole parish community**. Children will be taking part in the event in different ways, and at the end of the celebration, they will sing 'Walk in the Light' together on the altar. Those children in the Young Voices choir will also be performing one of their songs together, so **all choir members will be encouraged to attend this event**. The past couple of years have been extremely difficult for many families, so this will be a wonderful opportunity for us to come together and celebrate 'family' and 'community' - all are welcome.

During the evening celebration, children can sit with their families or their school friends. School uniform does not need to be worn for this event, and refreshments will be available at the back of church after the celebration.

We look forward to seeing you and your families at these special events.

Kind regards,

Mr Ackers and Mrs Rudd



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