

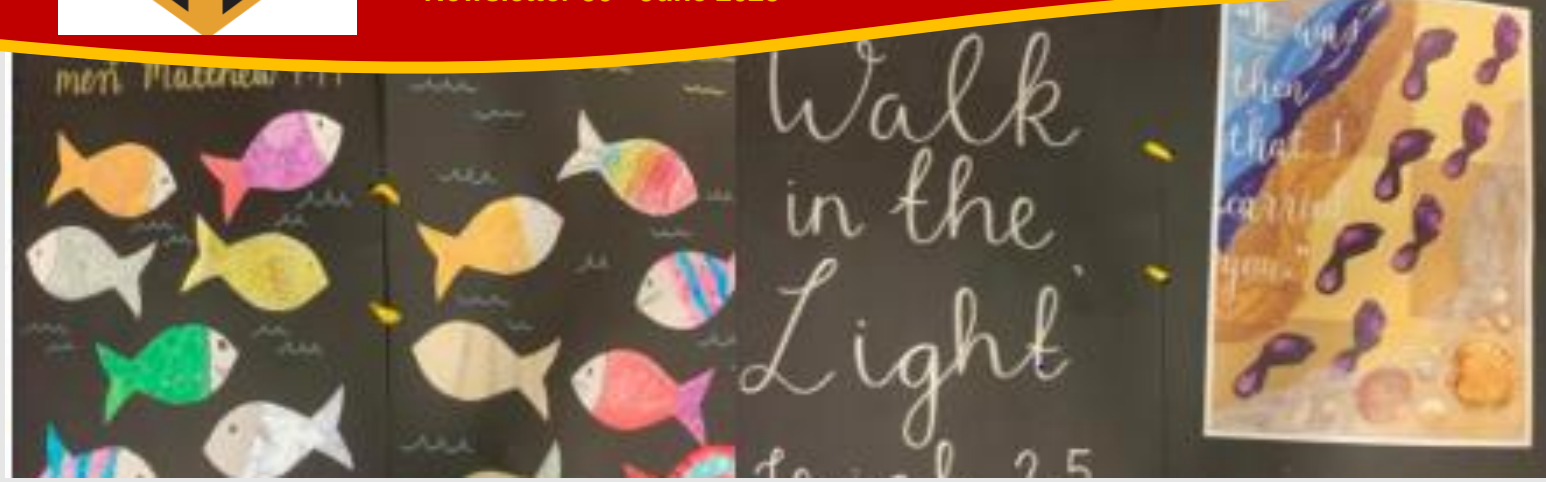


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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“Walking together in the Light of the Lord.”

A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although it has been a slightly shorter week for pupils, there has still been lots happening at St Gregory's with several visitors meeting pupils from our school. All our visitors have complimented the children on their maturity and willingness to learn.

Some Year 4s represented the school at the Pacesetter Games on Monday, competing in Diamond Cricket matches and earning a respectable 3rd place and 5th place. Well done to Abigail, Ashleigh, Ashley, Chizi, Cian, Cian, Debbie, Eliza, Hadley, Laci, Patrick, Phoebe, Sebastian and Victor.

We ask that all parents are mindful of the school's neighbours, particularly at the beginning and at the end of the school day. Please remember that Scafell Rise has parking restrictions and is a resident only parking area. We ask that you please respect this and park your vehicles safely and appropriately when collecting your children from school.

It is hard to believe that we move into the final month of the academic year this weekend – there is still lots in the pipeline for all our children over the next few weeks. Next weekend, The Becket Festival begins at the Cathedral in Northampton. There are many family friendly events going on, please do support this if you are able to. More information is included at the end of the newsletter.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Miss Marum

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Working with Thomas Becket Catholic School

St Catherine of Siena Class and St Cecilia Class were pleased to welcome Mr Azare, Mrs Darwin and Mrs Sleight from Thomas Becket Catholic School on Wednesday. Mr Azare and Mrs Sleight teach RE at Thomas Becket. Working in small groups, the pupils explored the concepts of theism, atheism and agnosticism and also considered the positive traits a person may show to help them 'shine'. The afternoon concluded with a time of prayer in the Emmaus Room. It was a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to get to know some of the staff from Thomas Becket.



Term Dates

Pentecost Term

Term ends: Friday 21st July 2023

School Year 2023-2024

Advent Term

Term starts: Wednesday 6th September 2023

Term ends: Friday 20th October 2023

**Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023-
Friday 27th October 2023**

Term starts: Monday 20th October 2023

INSET Day: Friday 24th November 2023

Term ends: Wednesday 20th December 2023

Find full term dates [here](#).

PTFA Dates

Ice Lollies – Thursday 6th July – 50p each.

Y6 Prom – Thursday 13th July – return your slip if you haven't already!

If you have any **good quality school uniform** you are no longer using, please add it to the basket in the School Office – we'd love to run another sale before the Summer Holidays!



Dates for your Diary

3rd July – Transition Day

5th July and 7th July – School closed

11th July – St Bernadette and St Claudine Class Choral Recital at 9.30am – letter to follow.

12th July – Year 5 to TBCS (PM); Choir singing at BecketFest at TBCS (evening)

13th July – Year 3 Violin Performance at 2pm – letter to follow; Year 6 Prom from 4.45pm.

21st July – Last day of academic year.

The Becket Festival

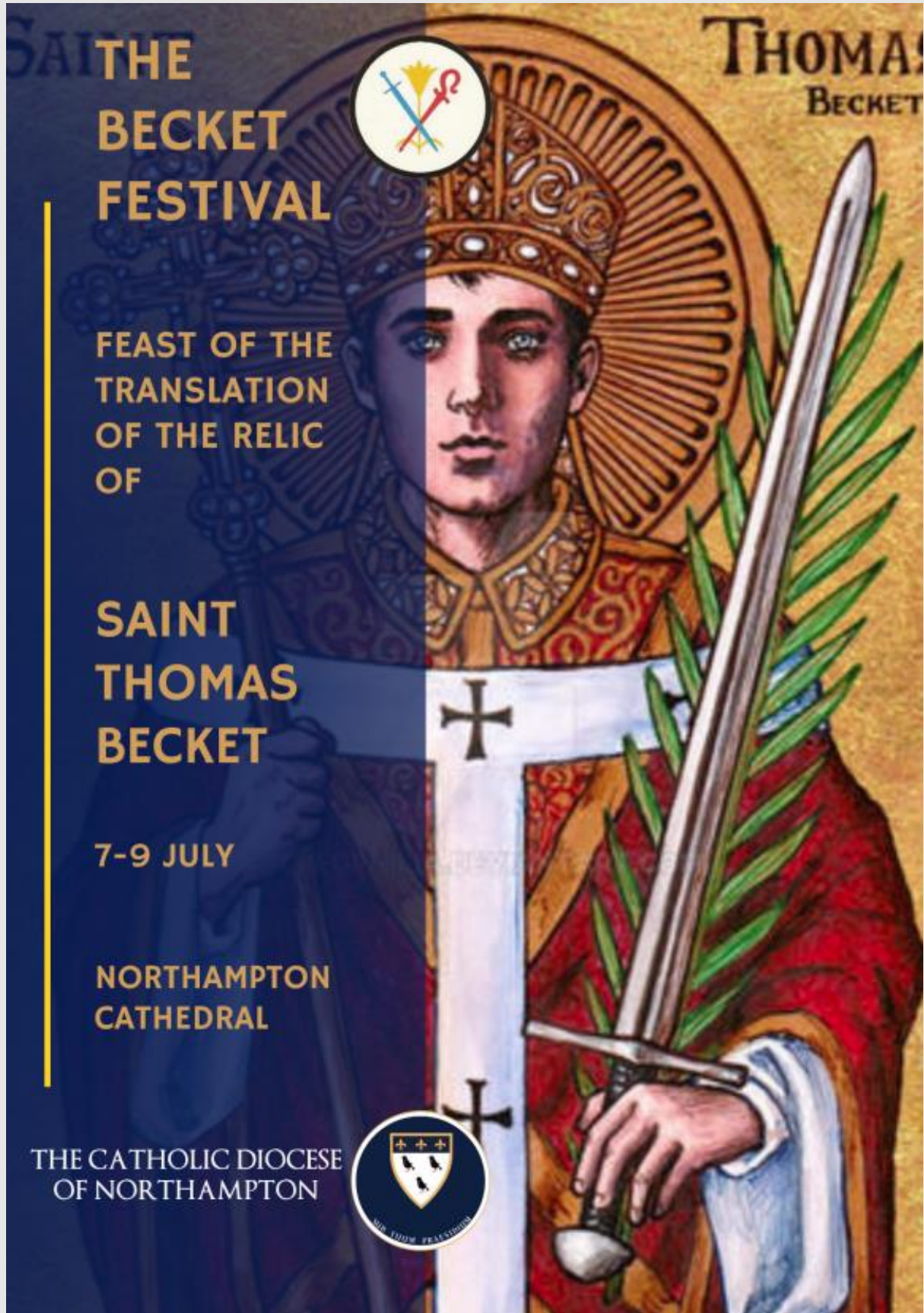
From Friday 7th July, the 'Becket Festival' will be being celebrated at the Cathedral. There will be a family friendly trail for children to enjoy at each site with prizes on their return, as well as lots of fun crafts to be involved in throughout the weekend. Each evening, there are also family friendly events taking place at the St Thomas Centre on the Cathedral site. Book via bishopssecretary@northamptondiocese.org

Friday 7th July – 'Carbs for Caritas Fundraising Event: Pizza, Pasta and Quiz Fun!' The event will run from 6.30pm-9pm and will consist of a range of delicious Italian food along with a friends and family quiz where you will have the opportunity to win a range of great prizes. This costs £10 per team (up to 6 people per team) with proceeds going to Caritas.

Saturday 8th July – 'Food Bank Fundraiser: Hog Roast and Bingo Fun!' 7pm onwards. All proceeds raised will go directly to the Food Bank to purchase much needed supplies. Tickets cost £10 per adult and £5 per child.



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Becket Festival Timetable



FRIDAY 7TH JULY

11am

Mass for the Feast of the Translation of the Relics of St Thomas Becket
Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, Papal Nuncio.

After Mass :

Blessing and Opening of the Saint Thomas Centre.
Veneration of the Relic of St Thomas will continue in the Cathedral until 9.30pm.
Confessions will be available

6:30pm

'Carbs for CARITAS' fundraising event with food, entertainment and family quiz

9.15pm

Compline (night prayer)

SATURDAY 8TH JULY

9:30am

Votive Mass of Our Lady Immaculate: Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Buendía,
Veneration of the Relic of St Thomas will continue in the Cathedral until 5.45pm.

10:00am - 12:00pm

RE-NEW Catholic Mission (St Thomas Centre)

*12:00pm - 1:00pm

Picnic lunches will be available from the Cafe (please pre-book in advance)

1:00pm

Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage will start at the Cathedral

3:00pm [approximately]

Ecumenical Service at the Cathedral

3:40pm [approximately]

Refreshments in St Thomas Centre

6:00pm

Vigil Mass at the Cathedral

7:00pm - 9:30pm

Hog Roast and Family Bingo at the St Thomas Centre to raise money for the food bank

SUNDAY 9TH JULY

8:30am & 11:00am

Usual Sunday Mass at the Cathedral (with the relic)

Veneration of the Relic of St Thomas continues in the Cathedral except during Mass.

12:00pm

Refreshments in the St Thomas Centre and the winners of the Art competitions will be announced

3:00pm

Becket Lecture - St Thomas Centre

Dr Judith Champ - 'The complicated saint: Thomas Becket and English Catholics'.

4:00pm

Vespers of St Thomas, and Solemn Benediction, which concludes the Veneration of the Relic.

BECKETFEST

12th July
2023



From
5.30pm

Pack up your deckchair and picnic blanket and join us at
Thomas Becket Catholic School
for an evening of fantastic entertainment from the
Northampton OLICAT schools

WITH PERFORMANCES FROM:

TBCS CONCERT BAND - YEAR 7 CHOIR - YEAR 8 BAND
TBCS CHOIR - ST GREGORY'S PRIMARY CHOIR
TBCS DRAMA STUDENTS - THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY CHOIR
ST MARY'S PRIMARY CHOIR - TBCS DANCE CLUB
NORTHAMPTON DIOCESE JUNIOR CHOIR
TBCS ROCK BAND 'NO NAME NEEDED' - TBCS SOLOISTS

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