



Trinity Catholic High School

Headmaster: Dr P C Doherty OBE, BA (Hons), DPhil (Oxon), FRSA

9th September 2024

Dear Parents and Students,

- On Sunday 29th September and Wednesday 2nd October, we celebrate the Feast of the Great Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael together with the Feast of our Guardian Angels.

We do not know what Angels look like but a visionary of the 20th century describes them as shooting flames with beautiful faces. Michael is the leader of those beings we call "Angels," his specific duty is to guard the people of God. Gabriel is the great messenger who announced the coming of Christ. Raphael is the great healer – the scientist as it were. Our Church also teaches that each of us has a 'Guardian Angel' who is with us from conception to death, who helps our conscience and tries to motivate us to do the good. Again, visionaries say if you talk, pray to your Guardian Angel he/she will eventually reply and tell you the name under which they go. To honour these angelic feasts, we will have our Mass at 8.15am in the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Hall (Lower Site) on Wednesday 2nd October. **All are truly welcome.**

- Wednesday 2nd October will be a 'Truly Happy Day' at Trinity to honour the great feast of St. Francis of Assisi: We will also pay honour to the Good Brothers at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church for their truly outstanding support of our school.
- This will be a Truly Happy Day at Trinity.
- It will be a non-uniform day: students may wear sensible non-uniform in return for a fee of £2.00. Please pay by Parentmail.
- No homework will be set.

To all Year 7 Parents

- There will be a Cheese and Wine Evening for all parents of Year 7 students at 7.00 pm on **Friday 4th October** in the QEII Hall on the Lower Site. Hopefully this will be a social occasion to mark and honour the admission of your child into Trinity as well as to affirm the relationship between yourselves and the school. Dr Doherty, the senior management team and Lower Site staff will also be in attendance. A separate invitation will be issued in due course.
- Please note that half-term begins on Friday 25th October, but do remember that school closes to students at 3.15 pm (Key Stage 3) and 3.20pm (Key Stage 4) on Wednesday 23rd October, Thursday 24th and Friday 25th being inset days for staff.
- October is the month of the Rosary: a decade of the Rosary will be said on each site for the Church's intentions and those of the school.

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- We do have a 'Rosary Ring' here at Trinity where families promise to recite in the evening three "Hail Mary's" so in fact decades of the Rosary are said fairly continuously. If parents wish to participate, please email my PA: mmaher@tchs.org.uk The intentions of these prayers will be "For the welfare of the entire community of Trinity Catholic High School."

With every kind wish.



Yours sincerely,

Dr P.C. Doherty OBE
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