



St John Fisher News

'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full'
St John's Gospel Chapter 10

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Theme: See the Good in One Another

This week we celebrated Cambridge House Mass. Cambridge icon is a balloon this year linking to the idea of raising each other up. In the readings in Mass, we were reminded of Jesus telling his disciples to 'Love one another as I have loved you' (John 15) and 1 Corinthians 'Love is patient and kind'. What a wonderful way to reaffirm our values at SJF. This was then actively seen in the Cambridge Charity day on Thursday. Looking for ways to elevate each other is so simple, free and immensely rewarding.

St John the Baptist

We are now part of the St John the Baptist Multi-Academy Trust. We look forward to building strong relationships with all within this Trust so that we are able to live out the mission of 'Preparing the Way' for all our young people.

A closer look at our new image:



Celebration

We celebrate our own and others' progress, gifts and talents.

As a learning community, striving to live the gift of life that God has given us we will do our best to reach our aspirations and celebrate our successes. We are a community whose core value is to be people of hope and aspiration.

At the start of the week, it was the festival of Candlemas or the Feast of the Light. We remembered the purification of Mary and the presentation of Jesus to the Temple by considering how we each have our own light. However this light can be shared with others especially those who are suffering in the dark. It is just another example of how we can lift each other up.

Natasha Wilmore, Headteacher

Cambridge House Mass

Further to Mrs Wilmore's message, we would like to thank our readers, offertory students and musicians who lifted our school community. It was lovely to see the balloons, representing the theme of raising one another up! Special thanks to Fr Karol for celebrating his last House Mass with us before moving parishes. Thank you for all you have done for our school over the last six years!



Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain



Catholic Social Teaching Solidarity and Peace

The Catholic Social Teaching principle of Solidarity and Peace reminds us to show compassion and understanding of another person. They are the key to having strong connections, spreading love and laughter.



Top Tip 5 – Strong Connections

Show **Peace and Solidarity** by spreading love, kindness and laughter through building strong connections.

Student Senior Leadership Team

Katharine of Aragon Mass

Last Friday our Student Senior Leadership Team and Chaplaincy Ambassadors attended the annual Katharine of Aragon Mass at Peterborough Cathedral, celebrated by the Deanery Priests. The Mass commemorated Katharine, once Queen of England, who is buried at the beautiful 12th Century Cathedral. She remained faithful to the Catholic church after King Henry VIII had their marriage annulled. Afterwards the congregation processed to her burial site with prayers of blessing led by Fr Karol and joined together to say the Angelus. The students enjoyed the experience of visiting the Cathedral to attend Mass and seeing where Katharine was buried. They represented our school with pride and professionalism.



Catherine was the Queen of England (1509-33)

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

As I walked into the Cathedral, its size amazed me! The handcrafted mosaic tiles on the floor and the woodcarvings were beautiful. During the Mass the priests explained the story of Queen Katharine which was really interesting. I was privileged to go as a Chaplaincy Ambassador.

Dexter (R4)



Extra-Curricular Activities Spring Term

Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Racket Sports (Sports Hall)
All Years – Chaplaincy Ambassadors (Chapel)
Year 7 – Art Club (week 1 only)
Year 7 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)
Students with EAL Support – Piano Club
All Years – Film Club

Monday After School

All Years - Boys Football (Astroturf)
All Years – Girls Trampolining (Sports Hall)
All Years – Chorum Choir (Room 102)
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)
DofE – Food Club (Room 306)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Tuesday Lunchtime

All Years – Girls Multi-Sports (Sports Hall)
All Years - Guitar Club (Room 102)
Year 8 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)
Year 9 – Drama Club (501)
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 1 only)

Tuesday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Wednesday Lunchtime

All Years – Basketball (Sports Hall)
Year 9 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)
DofE – Backstage & Lighting Club (501)
DofE – Italian Club (Room 209)
String Players – String Ensemble (Room 102)

Wednesday After School

All Years – Indoor Cricket (Sports Hall)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Thursday Lunchtime

All Years – Cricket Club (Sports Hall)
Year 8 - Drama Club
Blooket Club Spanish (Room 211)

Thursday After School

All Years – Badminton Club (Sports Hall)
All Years - Musical Theatre Club (501)
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre
DofE – Musical Theatre/ Performing Arts
DofE – Yoga (209)

Friday Lunchtime

All Years - Volleyball Club (Sports Hall)
All Years – Band Practice (Practice Room 3)
All Years - Warhammer Club (Art Room)
Year 7 – Drama Club (501)
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 2 only)

Friday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Upcoming Events

13
FEB

Training Day – school closed

23
FEB

Return to School after Half Term

3
MAR

Parents Evening Yr 7 & Yr 12
(school closes at 2pm)

St John Fisher Alumni – We need you...

Did you study at SJF? What are you up to now? It would be great to hear from you. We are really keen to reconnect with as many past students as possible to hear your news and successes. We'd like to create displays about the successes of our students as well as develop an alumni network to support current students.

Are you able to help current SJF students?

It doesn't matter when you left, whether you're completing an apprenticeship, are in further education or employment, whether you still live nearby or have moved further away. There are many ways you can get involved: in becoming role models for our current students or sharing your successes and highlighting the challenges you've encountered in your chosen career paths. Our students would really benefit from speaking to someone who grew up in our community, went to our school and has now achieved a fulfilling and satisfying career. You could help demonstrate to current students just what is possible for them too. To register your interest, please visit: <https://www.futurefirsthub.org.uk/register/st-john-fisher-catholic-high-school>

Mrs Reay, Head of Sixth Form

Sixth Form Star Students

January Star Students are Raymaan (W6) in Year 12 and Serafina (R8) in Year 13. Raymaan has shown a great attitude to learning in both IT and Maths as well as being a positive role model for our younger students. He has impressed us with the research that he has done in preparation for his Post 18 options which this year group are currently beginning to think about. Serafina is a hard working and conscientious student. She does everything that is asked of her and more, and is making great strides in both Health & Social Care and Religious Studies. She is a key member of the lunchtime supervision team and can always be relied upon to help others as needed. Congratulations to both students.

Mrs Reay, Head of Sixth Form

Poppy Appeal



Thank you to all who bought Poppies for Remembrance Day in November. As a school, we raised £31.90 for the Royal British Legion.

Cambridge House Day

We have raised £805.35 with Blue Day on Thursday. Thank you and well done! The money raised is going towards the charities of Water Aid and Cambridge Nazareth.



Academic Tutoring
Year 10
2 – 12 February 2026

The direct link to sign up for Parent Power is:

<https://forms.office.com/e/c178KmJATa>

Peterborough & Fenland Parent Power

What path would you like to see
your child take after school?

When: Tuesday 10th February

Time: 5:45-7:45pm

Where: ARU Peterborough

Who: All year groups

Join us for an interactive session
showcasing ARU's work experience
programme developed by ARU in
partnership with Greater Essex Careers
Hub. Explore the ideas behind the
workshop and experience a hands-on
taster!

Food and refreshments will be provided.

Scan the QR code to register your
attendance:



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