ST MARY'S THE MOUNT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 25th September 2026

"At Saint Mary's School, we aim to live, love and learn, as Jesus taught us"

Part of our Diocesan family and mission:
"Forming Christ-centred pilgrims of hope with kind hearts, questioning minds, a thirst for knowledge and a hunger for justice"

Dear Parents,



Pope's Intention for September 2026

For the care of water. Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Harvest Mass

We warmly invite all parents and families to join us for our **Harvest Mass at 9:00am on Wednesday 30th September**.

It will be a lovely opportunity for our school community to come together, give thanks for the food and blessings we have, and remember those around the world who are less fortunate.

We would be delighted to celebrate this special occasion with you. **All are very welcome!**

We ask for contributions to the Food Bank- dry ingredients or tins please. Not fresh. We thank you for your kindness. Please send these in with your child to the classroom.

Dear God,
Thank you for the wonderful food we enjoy,
for the farmers who grow it,
and for all those who help bring it to our tables.

At harvest time, help us to remember people around the world who do not have enough food.
We think especially of families and children living in countries affected by **conflict, floods, drought and other disasters**, where growing and accessing food can be very difficult.

Help us to be thankful for what we have,
to share with those in need,
and to care for our precious world and one another.

Thank you for your gifts of food, family, friends and the beauty of creation.

Amen.

Birthdays/ celebrations

For many years, children have enjoyed sharing sweets, cakes and other treats with their classmates to celebrate birthdays and special occasions. However, following the introduction of Benedict's Law and the updated guidance around allergies, we have reviewed this practice.

With immediate effect, we ask that no sweets, cakes or other treats be brought into school for birthdays or celebrations.

Instead, teachers will make sure that every child feels special on their day. This may include wearing a birthday hat, receiving a birthday sticker, being the special helper, or having their classmates sing Happy Birthday.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us keep all children safe.

Confirmation Programme- towards the end of this Newsletter is the full Parish Programme.

Dyslexia Awareness Day – 8th October 2026

As part of our commitment to inclusion at St Mary's, we celebrate a range of awareness days throughout the year to help children understand, respect and value differences. Our message is simple: **"It's good to be different."**

This year, we would like to make our **Dyslexia Awareness Day** even more meaningful by inviting people to share their positive personal experiences of living with dyslexia.

Do you know anyone with dyslexia who would feel comfortable speaking to a class or small group of children? We would love for them to share their experiences, including any challenges they have faced and the strategies they use to overcome them. We hope these conversations will help our pupils develop a greater understanding of dyslexia and celebrate the strengths and achievements of those who are dyslexic.

If you know someone who may be interested, please let us know. Thank you for your support.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 28th September 2026	Y5 Parent Prayer 2.50pm
Wednesday 30th September 2026	Harvest Mass 9am
Thursday 1st October 2026	Poetry Day
Wednesday 7th October 2026	Y4 Mass 9am Confirmation Meeting for Y6 children 5.30pm in the Parish Centre
Thursday 8th October 2026	Dyslexia Awareness Day
Monday 12th October 2026	Whole school individual photographs Y4 Parent Prayer 2.50pm First Holy Communion Meeting 5.30 in the Parish Centre
Wednesday 14th October 2026	Retirement Mass for Mrs Boland 9am Confirmation Meeting for children 5.30pm
Thursday 17th September 2026	St. Francis Open Evening 6.30-9pm
Monday 19th October 2026	Trunk Theatre – Making Friends (Y1 & Y2) Y3 Parent Pray 2.50pm
Wednesday 21st October 2026	Y2 Mass 9am
Thursday 22nd October 2026	Y6 Visit to St Chads Cathedral
Friday 23rd October 2026	**Staff Training Day (School Closed)**
Monday 26th – Friday 30th October 2026	**Half Term**
Monday 2nd November 2026	School reopens First Holy Communion Meeting 5.30 in the Parish Centre

Wednesday 4th November 2026	Year 1 Mass 9am
Friday 6th November 2026	Bags 2 School Collection
Monday 9th November 2026	Year 2 Parent Prayer
Wednesday 11th November 2026	Year 6 Mass 9am Confirmation Meeting for children 5.30pm
Monday 16th November 2026	Year 1 Parent Prayer First Holy Communion Meeting 5.30 in the Parish Centre
Wednesday 18th November 2026	Year 5 Mass Confirmation Meeting for children 5.30pm
Monday 23rd November 2026	Reception Parent Prayer **Parent Consultations**
Tuesday 24th November 2026	Nursery Stay and Pray
Wednesday 25th November 2026	Year 4 Mass 9am
Monday 30th November 2026	Advent Service (Year 3 and Year 6)
Wednesday 1st December 2026	Nursery & Reception Mass 9am
Wednesday 9th December 2026	Year 3 Mass 9am
Monday 14th December 2026	First Holy Communion Meeting 5.30 in the Parish Centre
Wednesday 16th December 2026	Whole School Mass 9am
Friday 18th December 2026	Term ends. School closes at 1:00pm for Christmas Break No After School Club- please ensure prompt collection.
Christmas Holiday	
Monday 4th January 2027	School reopens as normal

School Lunches - Week Commencing Monday 28th September 2026

Monday 28th Sept	Tuesday 29th Sept	Wednesday 30th Sept	Thursday 1st Oct	Friday 2nd Oct
Beef Enchiladas Cheese & Tomato Enchiladas	Sausage Muffin Quorn Muffin	Chicken Curry Lentil Curry	Sausage Roll Cheese & Onion Roll	Fish Veggie Fingers
Baked Beans/Veg	Omelette Baked Beans/Tomatoes	Rice, Naan Seasonal Veg	Hash Browns Baked Beans/Veg	Chips/Wedges Baked Beans/Veg
Baked Potatoes, Selection of Desserts, Juice & Water available all day Salad Bar available to KS2 ONLY on a daily basis (except Friday)				

Packed Lunches:

Please remember: DO NOT send your child into school with nuts or any foods containing nuts, e.g. Nutella/chocolate spreads/some cereal bars. We have a growing number of children with nut allergies. Thank you for your consideration.

KS2 Snacks

Children may, if they wish bring in a snack at break time. We do not allow chocolate, sweets or crisps at break time

Free School Meals

Please consider using the QR code to apply for getting Free School Meals. Even if your child is in Reception, Y1 and Y2 or currently accesses free school meals through the Government scheme please



apply. It opens the door to many other pots of money we can access for the children.

Attendance

YR – 99.0%	Y1 – 94.7%	Y2 – 97.7%	Y3 – 97.0%	Y4 – 96.0%	Y5 – 95.7%	Y6 – 98.0%

Attendance Ted will be spending time with Reception and Year 6. Well done to everyone for their fantastic attendance.

Keep up the great work!

Virtues and Values

Compassionate: We are compassionate when we feel sympathy and concern for other people who are in difficulty; whether they are near to us or far away.
Loving: We are loving when we show our sympathy and concern for other people by our actions and by our words.



Compassionate & Loving

Compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and loving by your just actions and forgiving words.

Star of the Week

Year 1	Imaan
Year 2	Haniya
Year 3	Eleanor
Year 4	Ayo
Year 5	Cora
Year 6	Abdul



Nursery	Isla for being an excellent role model of behaviour and manners.
Year 1	Jaiden for always trying his best.
Year 2	Alex for super effort.
Year 3	Zuzanna for working hard and trying her best.
Year 4	Elsie for super multiplication progress.
Year 5	All of Year 5 for exhibiting good behaviour in all situations, leading to high quality learning and a calm classroom environment.
Year 6	Hareem for being an excellent role model.

Peripatetic Music Lessons

Instrumental music lessons have resumed. Please remind the children to practise and bring in their instrument for their lesson. Please can we ask that fees are paid promptly.

The School Library.

The Librarians will open the Library at break times as follows:

Monday Y6

Tuesday Y5

Wednesday Y4

Thursday Y3

Friday for everyone, PLEASE REMIND THE CHILDREN TO BRING IN THEIR LIBRARY BOOKS TO CHANGE.

Extra- curricular Clubs:

The following clubs are running:

Tuesday 8am – Gymnastics (Year 3, 4 & 5)

Tuesday 3.20pm – 4.20pm – Netball (Year 5 & 6)

Wednesday 3.20pm – 4.15pm – Computing (Year 4)

Thursday 3.20pm – 4.15pm - Basket Ball (Year 5 & 6)

This is in addition to the clubs offered by JC Academy.

Primary school applications are now open for September 2027.

Parents and carers are advised to submit applications before **15 January 2027** for entry to reception or to move from infant to junior school in September 2027.
Children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 are due to commence reception in September 2027.
Children in year 2 and on roll in an infant school will be due to transfer to junior school in September 2027.
Parents and carers will need to submit their application to the home Local Authority where their child lives.
We always advise parents and carers to list up to the maximum of three preferences available and include at least one local school they believe their child would have qualified for in previous years.
The applications process is online, and our Admissions and Education Sufficiency team are hosting drop-in sessions to support parents and carers with any questions they have, so please do make use of the support available.

Primary school drop-in sessions

- 1 December 2026 - Lichfield Street Hub – 9am-5pm
- 3 December 2026 - Willenhall Library – 1pm – 5pm
- 8 December 2026 - Blakenall Village Centre- 1pm – 4pm
- 10 December 2026 - Brownhills Library – 1pm – 5pm
- 7 January 2027 - Darlaston Library – 1pm – 5pm
- 12 January 2027 - Lichfield Street Hub – 9am-5pm

Offers will be sent by email to on-time applicants on 16 April 2027 for reception and junior school places.

Secondary school applications for September 2027.

Parents and carers are advised to submit their applications before the **31 October 2026** closing date.
Children born between **1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016** are due to start Year 7 in September 2027.
As always, we recommend that parents and carers make use of all **five preferences** available to them.

The application process is online, and the Admissions and Education Sufficiency Team will be hosting drop-in sessions throughout the autumn term to support parents and carers with any questions they may have.

School Admissions drop-in sessions

- Tuesday 29 September 2026 – Lichfield Street Hub, 9am–5pm
- Wednesday 7 October 2026 – Willenhall Library, 1pm–5pm
- Tuesday 13 October 2026 – Blakenall Village Centre, 1pm–5pm
- Tuesday 20 October 2026 – Brownhills Library, 1pm–5pm
- Thursday 22 October 2026 – Darlaston Library, 1pm–5pm
- Friday 30 October 2026 – Lichfield Street Hub, 9am–5pm

Please encourage parents and carers to make use of the support available.
On-time applicants will receive their secondary school offer on 1 March 2027.
Further information and support with school admissions can be found on the council's website:
https://go.walsall.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions

PE Autumn term 2026

			After School Clubs
Tuesday	P.E. **Y1 Y2**	**Gymnastics** Y5 Y1 Y4	**JC Academy Multi Sport** Y3/Y4
Wednesday	P.E **Y6 Y4**		**JC Academy Multi Sport Y6/Y5**
Friday	P.E. **Y5, Y3** Reception class balance-ability		**JC Academy Multi Sport Y1/Y2**

Uniform
Children continue to wear their summer uniform until after October half term.
Please, note that from September 2026 we are asking that all children wear a plain dark coloured coat- blue or black or the school royal blue colour if available. This is for ALL children.
Please note that leggings cannot be worn as part of the winter uniform. Tights are required to be worn

GIRLS: Autumn 1st Half term Uniform	Royal blue cardigan Grey tights or white socks Lightweight blue coat or school fleece Blue and white check dress in any simple style
BOYS: Autumn 1st Half term Uniform	Royal blue V-neck jumper Lightweight blue coat or school fleece Grey trousers or shorts Pale blue polo shirt Grey socks

Jewellery in school
For Health and Safety reasons, we would prefer children not to wear earrings. If they cannot be removed, please ensure that they are covered with plasters.

Watches
We do not allow smart watches or similar in school, as they are a distraction. Analogue watches can be worn in KS2. If your child arrives in a smart watch and to ensure that they concentrate on their work, we will ask the child to remove it and it will be returned at home time.

Confirmation Catechesis – 2027		
Date	Topic	Organisation/Responsibility
Wednesday 7th October 2026	The Story of My Life *Looking back - Looking ahead*	**Confirmation is a parish led programme.** The Catechists from the parish who will be supporting your children are: Miss Veronica Fenlon Mr William Wisniewski Mrs Amy Prichard Please note these dates may be subject to change, depending on current events. Please keep Fr. Fabien up to date with any changes to your contact details. Please make sure that you drop your child for each preparation session by 5.20pm and come back by 6.20pm to collect your child.
Wednesday 14th October 2026	What's the point? *The purpose of Confirmation*	
Wednesday 11th November 2026	The Church *A Community of Believers*	
Wednesday 18th November 2026	We Celebrate *The Eucharist, Liturgy and the Sacraments*	
Wednesday 2nd December 2026	+ Focus on Sacrament of Confession and preparation	
Wednesday 13th January 2027 202027	Our Creed *What Catholics Believe*	
Wednesday 20th January 2027	Can Someone Help? *The Holy Spirit, Pentecost and Gifts*	
Wednesday 27th January 2027	With the Spirit's Help *Letting the Holy Spirit work in Me*	
Wednesday 3rd February 2027	I want to be part of this *Are you ready to decide?*	
Wednesday 10th March 2027	Models (Part 1) *Saints – then and now*	
Wednesday 24th March 2027	+Models (Part 2) *Saints – then and now*	

Confirmation Catechesis – 2027		
Date	Topic	Organisation/Responsibility
Monday 29 March – Sunday 4 April 2027 HOLY WEEK + Easter Break —		**The date for the Celebration of Confirmation is still to be confirmed by the Diocese.**
Wednesday 21st April 2027	Someone is calling! *Vocations*	
Wednesday 28th April 2027	But what's gonna happen? *The Confirmation Ceremony*	
Wednesday 12th May 2027	*+ Confirmation – Organisation and preparation of Liturgy (Confession)*	
Wednesday 19th May 2027	*+ Confirmation – Organisation and preparation of Liturgy (Confession)*	
Wednesday 26th May 2027	Following God's Laws *The Ten Commandments*	
Wednesday 16th June 2027	God's Written Word *The Bible*	
Wednesday 23rd June 2027	Reflections	
Saturday X 1 (2027)	Retreat Day *Holy Spirit*	
Additional Wednesday X 1 (2027)	Confession day *Forgiveness*	
	+ Additional Evening for rehearsal/preparations (Dependent on date for Confirmation)	

Reminders

First Aid

As you recall from the communication before the holiday, we are changing the way we let you know if your child has received First Aid. They will no longer bring home a paper slip at the end of the day; you will be notified by email throughout the day.

Do not be alarmed by an email. As before, if it is a head bump, or a serious incident, we will ring you alongside the email.

If you have any questions regarding the incident, please speak to the class teacher at the end of the day.

Hair Styles

Haircuts

Please see the rules that St. Mary's has about hair styles below. This is very clear and we do not expect your child to return with stripes, colours, braids, undercuts in their hair, as this does not conform to school policy. It is also about teaching the children that in life they are required to respect and follow rules. Ear-rings need to be covered with plasters if these are worn.

Governors are very clear about expectations for hairstyles and have set a policy that is applicable to everyone in school and Nursery.

"There can be ***NO hair colouring, stripes or undercuts***. Longer hairstyles need to be tied back with a bobble or a hair band. We do not permit fashion cuts, where hair is shaved at the sides but a longer length elsewhere (similar to an undercut).

If your child asks for a fashion haircut, it is parent's responsibility to explain that this is school policy and good preparation for when they transfer to High School. (See local High School policy below). The children need to understand that these are the school rules to be followed and respected.
This is taken from the School Prospectus, which can also be found on the School Website:

8.14 Hair

These rules apply to both girls and boys. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted nor are hair colourings. If any child arrives in school sporting a style, which is considered by the Head Teacher to be extreme or a fashion haircut, he/she may be excluded for a period to facilitate suitable adjustments. We do not permit undercuts.

These hair accessories are deemed acceptable for both boys and girls. Please check your child's hair regularly for infestation. For safety and hygiene reasons, long hair should be tied back."





Academic Dates for 2026-2027

Autumn term 2026
Term starts: School Training Day -Tuesday 1 September 2026 School Closed
Wednesday 2nd September 2026 School reopens for the new school year.
Half term holiday: Monday 26 October 2026 to Friday 30 October 2026
Term ends: Friday 18 December 2026
Spring term 2027
Term starts Monday 4 January 2027
Half term holiday: Monday 15 February 2027 to Friday 19 February 2027
Term ends: Thursday 25 March 2027
Summer term 2027
Term starts Monday 12 April 2027
Half term holiday: Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2027
Term ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027

Prices for Breakfast and After School Club from 1 September 2025	
7.30am including Breakfast	£5.50 per child per session
7.30am no Breakfast	£5.00 per child per session
7.45am including Breakfast	£4.50 per child per session
7.45am no Breakfast	£4.00 per child per session
After School Club until 5.15pm	£7.00 per child per session
After School Club until 5.30pm	£7.50 per child per session
After School Club after a club (i.e. Football/Phonics/Gardening/Story Club/Homework etc.) is £4.00 per session, per child up to 5.15pm and £4.50 per child per session up to 5.30pm. **After this overtime, rates apply at £10 per 15 minutes.** Please use the School Gateway App to book.	

Peripatetic Music lessons		Extra – Curricular Clubs	
Monday	Stringed instruments (Mrs Masters)	Tuesday	Reception Class Story Club
Thursday	Woodwind instruments (Mrs Perks)	Wednesday	KS2 Choir at lunchtime
Friday	Brass instruments (Ms Taylor)	Thursday	Y2 Bible Club Y1 Phonics Club
		Guitar Club	Run by Mr Ward

Year 6 walking to school or walking home

We do not expect there to be many children arriving by themselves or walking home this term, as it is still very early in the year for Year 6 to be doing this on their own. There may be one or two very local children who may have authorisation to do this. A form is available on request. This would need to be completed. Mrs Amos would then consider the request and let you know if this is acceptable.

Medication

Please ensure your child's up to date Medication is in school as soon as possible. It has come to our attention that parents of children with Epipen can download an APP, which alerts you as to when you need to replace them. This sounds like a really good idea!

Medicines in School

Mrs Smith liaises with parents who need a care plan, when there is an ongoing medical need (allergies etc.), to ensure that the correct medical provision is in place.

We do understand that sometimes children need medication for a particular ailment, who are well enough to be in school. For example, eye drops, Piriton, antibiotics. We are happy to administer these, provided the school medical form is completed and handed into the office staff with the medication. We cannot administer medication without this form. We would not expect to administer Calpol to keep a temperature down. In that instance children would not be well enough for school. It is not the Office Staff who will administer these medicines, but Mrs Amos. The medical form will be on the website under Newsletters. We cannot administer medication with out written consent.

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St. Mary's the Mount Parish Family Wishes You All a Warm Welcome

Priest in charge: Fr. Fabien Ramiandrisoa, SDV
St. Patrick's: Fr. Roberto Ciardo, SDV
St. Thomas of Canterbury: Fr. Christogonus Ugwuakposim, SDV
Chaplain of Manor Hospital: Fr. Christogonus

➢ Parish Contributions: Last Sunday: £1,185.07 (Standing orders: £807, Offertory Collection: £378.07). Overseas Charities: £4. Second collection for Catholic Education: £88.77. Counting Teams: This Sunday: Team C, next Sunday:

Team D. This Sunday, there is a Second Collection for Fr Hudson's Society. Next Sunday, there will be a Second Collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast.

➢ Official Communication from the UK Delegate Superior of the Vocationists: We wish to inform you of the upcoming changes within our Walsall parishes. From 1 October 2026, Fr Christogonus will conclude his ministry at St Thomas of Canterbury and become Parish Priest of St Mary's the Mount. Fr Roberto will take on the role of Parochial Administrator of both St Patrick's and St Thomas of Canterbury. Fr Fabien will continue as Assistant Priest at St Mary's the Mount, while also assisting pastorally at St Patrick's and St Thomas of Canterbury. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin these new responsibilities.

➢ Altar server's Training: The starting date will be Tuesday 6th October, in the church, from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

➢ Parish Office Secretary (Part-Time): St Mary's Parish is seeking a reliable and well-organised Office Secretary for 15 hours per week. This role involves providing administrative support to the parish and assisting with the day-to-day running of the office. For further information, and to request an application form, job description and person specification, please contact the parish office at stmary.walsall@rcaob.org.uk. We also extend our sincere thanks to Melina Merabli for her dedicated service during her time as Parish Office Secretary. She has stepped down from the role for personal reasons, and we wish her every blessing for the future.

➢ An Invitation from Archbishop Bernard Longley: We urgently need more Foundation Directors and Governors to help guide our Catholic schools and keep Christ at the heart of their mission. If you are a practising Catholic and would like to use your time, skills, and faith to support Catholic education, please consider this rewarding vocation. No previous experience is required, as full training and support are provided. For more information and to apply online, visit: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/could-you-be-a-foundationgovernor-or-director-at-your-local-catholic-school - www.bdes.org.uk/governor-online-application-forms.html.

➢ Programme Leader Vacancies - Kenelm Youth Trust: Kenelm Youth Trust is seeking enthusiastic and committed individuals to join our team as Programme Leaders. These roles involve delivering engaging retreat and outdoor learning programmes for children and young people within the Archdiocese of Birmingham. If you are passionate about youth ministry, education, and helping young people grow in faith and confidence, we would love to hear from you. For full details and to apply, please visit: www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/kenelmvacancies.

➢ Jubilee Mass of the Anointing of the Sick: The Jubilee Mass of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on Sunday, 4th October 2026, at the 11:00 am Mass. Fr Gwilym Lloyd, Parish Priest of St Anne's, Streetly, will be the principal celebrant. Following Mass, there will be a special time of prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for all those seeking God's healing and strength. All are warmly welcome.

➢ First Confession and First Holy Communion Preparation: The First Confession and First Holy Communion Preparation programme will begin tomorrow (Monday 21st September), from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Please drop your child off at the Parish Hall by 5:20pm.

➢ Confirmation Preparation: The Confirmation programme will begin on Wednesday, 7 October. The programme has been shared with families. If you have not received it, please collect one from the Parish Office or speak to Fr Fabien.

➢ RCIA Programme: The next session will take place on Monday 21st September. The meeting begins at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall and will focus on the Eucharist.

➢ Readers' Rota & Bidding prayers 'Rota : The new readers' rota and Bidding prayers 'Rota are now in use. Copies of the rota are available in the Sacristy. Readers, please take a copy.

➢ Life Charity Coffee Morning: Join us for the Life Charity Fundraising Coffee Morning on Friday 25 September, 10.00am – 12.00 noon, at 23 Glebe Street. Come along for coffee, fellowship and to learn more about life Charity's work in our community.

➢ RIP: Let us pray for the soul of Martha Ekezie, who passed away on 4th September 2026. We commend her to the loving mercy of God and pray that she may rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

➢ RIP: Let us pray for the soul of Paul Donellan, who passed away on 8th September 2026. We commend him to the loving mercy of God and pray that he may rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course. Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th September 2026 Week I 3

➢ RIP: Let us pray for the soul of Michael John Plant, who passed away on Tuesday 15th September, 2026. We commend him to the loving mercy of God and pray that he may rest in peace. His Funeral will take place at St Mary's the Mount on Friday 2nd October 2026 at 11:00 am.

➢ APF/Missio Box: Would all APF/Missio box holders please bring their boxes to the sacristy as soon as possible and collect them the following Sunday.

➢ Flowers: We offer our warm thanks to Margaret Williams for her generous contribution toward this week's flowers. Her kindness helps keep our church beautifully adorned for prayer and worship

➢ Food Bank: This week we are in need of all of our usual items - tinned, dried, and packet goods, and long life milk. We are currently supporting 9 families with your donations. If you know of another family in need who would welcome support from our SVP Group, please contact Father Fabien. Thanks again for your continued support and your generous donations.

➢ Safeguarding: The parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sylvester Mutsigwa and Doreen Sehdeva. They can be contacted at: stmary.walsall@rcaob.org.uk. Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.