



St John Henry Newman Catholic Primary School

Annual Plan of Provision for Prayer and Liturgy 2026-2027



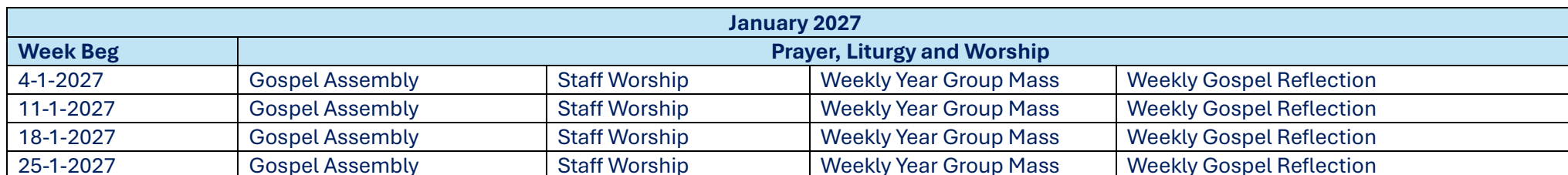
Prayer and Liturgy Summary

Prayer and Liturgy takes place weekly throughout the school. It is an integral part of our ethos, aims and relationships with Christian values that permeate through all aspects of school life and all our relationships. Prayer and Liturgy is a way of deepening our relationship with God together as a school family and individually. At St Francis of Assisi, we believe that all pupils, whatever their age, ability or faith background, can engage in the prayer life of the school, whether that involves class prayer or reflection times, Gospel or Year Group assemblies, Liturgies or Masses. Pupils are supported in developing their prayer life through explicit teaching of common Catholic prayers and responses, both sung and spoken. Each year, Headteacher assemblies revisit the role of hearts, voices, bodies and minds in worship, enabling practise and the embedding of prayer and liturgical norms. These are consolidated in daily prayers within the classroom, Year group prayers and in whole school Sung Worship each Wednesday. Pupils can choose to join Mini-Vinnies/Junior Chaplain. Older pupils attend confession during Advent and Lent, whilst all pupils participate in prayer opportunities such as Stations of the Cross and a Advent Service. These opportunities enable pupils to deepen their relationship with God through prayer. Each classroom has a Prayer Area which is used as a focal point during class Prayer and Liturgy.

Pupils are taught that they are all able to engage in the prayer and liturgical life of the school, regardless of their faith background. They can do this by joining in with reflection and prayer opportunities, through listening to the Word, in receiving a blessing, by being present. During classroom or Year Group assemblies, they can read prayers and Bible extracts. The 24 Junior Chaplains, ranging from Year 1 to Year 6, are elected annually through a system of application and interview. Some are baptised Catholics and some are not – being a baptised Catholic is not a requirement of the role. Their role is primarily to enhance the prayer life of their class and the school. However, they may be called upon to help organise school Masses.

October 2026November 2026December 2026

Throughout Advent additional daily reflection will occur



February 2027				
Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship			
1-2-2026	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
8-2-2026	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Ash Wednesday Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
22-2-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Harvest Celebration	Weekly Gospel Reflection
Throughout Lent additional daily reflection will occur				

March 2027						
Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship					
1-3-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection		
8-3-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection		
15-3-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection		
22-3-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Palm Sunday Liturgy	Stations Service	Weekly Gospel Reflection
Throughout Lent additional daily reflection will occur						



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SUMMER 2027



April 2027

Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship			
12-4-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
19-4-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
26-4-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection

May 2027

Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship			
3-5-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
10-5-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
17-5-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
24-5-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection

June 2026

Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship			
7-6-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
14-6-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
21-6-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection
28-6-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection

July 2027

Week Beg	Prayer, Liturgy and Worship				
5-7-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection	
12-7-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Weekly Year Group Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection	
19-7-2027	Gospel Assembly	Staff Worship	Leavers Mass	Weekly Gospel Reflection	



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Additional Offer

In addition to the above we offer the following....

- Daily Classroom Prayer (4times daily)
- Weekly Catholic Values Assembly
- Weekly Singing Worship
- Twice Monthly Chaplaincy Prayer Group
- Weekly Staff Meeting Prayers