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THE URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FAITH DEVELOPMENT, CATHOLIC MISSION AND SERVIAM VALUES

Meet Our R.E Team



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Please take a look at our Catholic Life section on our website for further details of our activities and events!

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP





St Oscar Romero Feast Day Mass

On 27th March, Ursuline students attended the St Oscar Romero Feast Day Mass at St George's Cathedral, joining schools across the Archdiocese. Archbishop John Wilson presided, reminding us of Romero's commitment to faith and justice. Schools receiving Participator or Developer Level in the Oscar Romero Award were presented with certificates. The Mass inspired students to live out the Gospel through service and advocacy, reflecting Romero's call to stand with the poor. It was a powerful reminder that small acts of love and courage can transform the world.

Chaplaincy Update



Dominic Cunliffe Chaplain

Though Epiphany fell during the Christmas break, we marked the new year with a well-attended Mass celebrated by Fr David Hunter. St Angela Masses followed in January at Sacred Heart Church with support from the Chaplaincy Team. In February, our Year 10 Retreat encouraged students to reflect on the people, places, and experiences shaping their lives and their place in the bigger picture.

Throughout Lent, we engaged in a full spiritual programme, including Messengers of Hope, Eucharistic Adoration, charity drives, food donations, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr Ben of St Cecilia's. We concluded with our Passion Services, themed "Walking The Way: The Cross of Hope," inspiring students to reflect on their Lenten journey.

Mr Cunliffe Chaplain

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2024-25: KS3 OVERVIEW

Year 7

- Ursuline Family and Creation and Covenant
- Prophecy and Promise
- Galilee to Jerusalem
- Desert to Garden
- To the Ends of the Earth
- Dialogue an Encounter

Year 8

- Ursuline Family and Creation and Covenant
- Prophecy and Promise
- Galilee to Jerusalem
- Desert to Garden
- To the Ends of the Earth - Dialogue an Encounter
- Islam - Our World

- Prayer

Year 9

- Pilgrimage

- Creation
- Incarnation

Catholic Life in Pictures



Catherine B (11C) interviewed Ms Harrison for an article in local parish magazine 'Edgeways' overseen by the editor and supported by the Chaplain.



Students decorated the Chapel display board with Lenten themes, offering a space for spiritual reflection during breaks.



GIFT after-school faith sessions continue to be well attended, providing students with opportunities for prayer, reflection, and social time.



Our Messengers of Hope initiative encouraged students and staff to exchange postcards of encouragement.



Ahead of St Blaise's feast, our choir received the blessing of throats and shared testimonials on the role of music in their faith.



The Chaplaincy Team hosted a Bake Sale to raise funds to help offset costs of a residential team retreat. They raised £200.