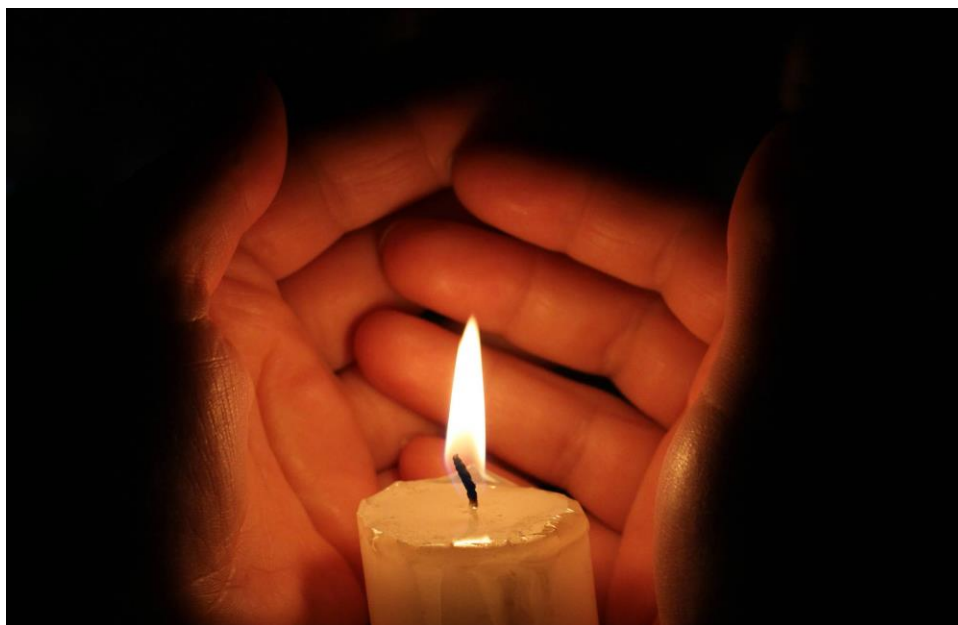




Loreto Chorlton
Chaplaincy

Room 105

 @ChaplainLHS



Our School Prayer

Lord,
May all that we do this day,
from morning until night,
begin with your inspiration,
and continue with your powerful help.
May our work this day be rooted in love
and mercy,
that we may love you, and love our
neighbours,
as perfectly as you love us.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.



Chaplaincy @ Loreto

Chaplaincy is at the centre of everyday activities at Loreto enabling everyone in school to become fully the person they are meant to be. We do this by enhancing the value of all, recognising that everyone is created and loved by God. Guided by our

Catholic faith, we encourage our staff & students to live out their own faith by looking outward, becoming the solutions to the problems that others face. The Chaplaincy is a unique space for all students and staff to take some timeout from the hustle and bustle of daily life - a space to make time for a conversation with God and the spiritual aspects of life. As the centre of the school our students and staff fondly call it "The Spa of Spirituality" offering a peaceful and safe space to reflect on what's important and therefore grow. Our Chaplaincy room in Room 105 is open to all from 8am-4pm providing a peaceful space to reflect on what's important and grow closer to God.

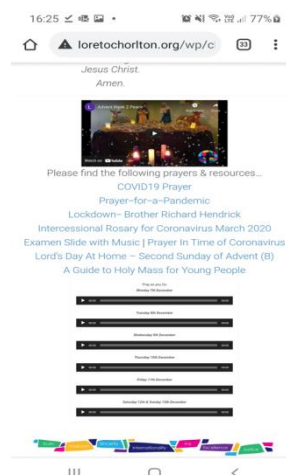
We also provide a wide range of enrichment activities which include but not limited to: trips and Retreats but also support pupils with Faith leadership opportunities through the Pupil Chaplaincy and Justice & Peace Group.

Our Chaplain, Davie; is always available to talk to and provides accompaniment to everyone whatever stage they are on their journey. The Chaplaincy also provides a wide range of enrichment opportunities including trips, groups and initiatives that promote social justice and the integrity of God's creation.

Utilising Social media for Good

Our Chaplaincy activities and liturgies can also be accessed through our twitter page: **@ChaplainLHS** as well as on the School website:

<http://loretochorlton.org/wp/chaplaincy/>



What our Chaplains say:

Alexandra Baptista Pupil Chaplain

"Leading liturgies is a small action that leaves a huge impact on others as through this example an impression is made on others on how to lead a good Christian life...As Head Altar server in my Parish, I set an example for others as well as promote servant leadership for others as they see first-hand what being a server really means."



"Come and join us in Chaplaincy, it will be an enjoyable part of your life. It encourages you to love others and yourself. It also teaches you about God." –**Maddie Clifton**
Year 7

"In Chaplaincy you will learn to smile more and to take care of yourself and to love yourself just the way you are. You will also use your time to help others". –**Wudasse Mesfin**
Year 7



Tania Kumar – Leader Pupil Chaplaincy & Outgoing Head Girl



"Chaplaincy has been a very big factor for change in my life as a High School student as well as in my personal life. I think it is because I had the opportunity to help people in need in so many different ways. It brought out my caring and loving self. I will continue to help people in need because seeing a smile on their faces is for me, like seeing a smile on God's face which I will cherish for life. Its even more especial when I know that I am part of the reason behind their smile. I want to continue taking personal

responsibility for this world as I am part of it. To other year groups my message is: whatever you do, do it with love and sincerity because even small things can make a huge impact on people who need it the most"

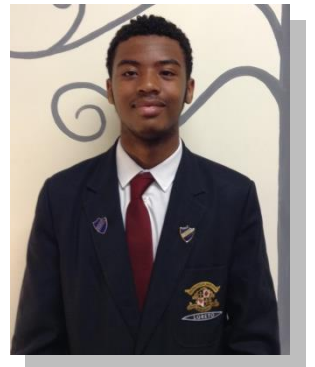
Diane Chofo -OutgoingPupil Chaplain & Leader of Justice & Peace Group



"I chose to be a leader in Justice & Peace and take part in Charitable work because it feels good to actively help others. Being a member of Chaplaincy is a courageous choice because it makes you stand out from the rest of the year group, just like how the good Samaritan did. I have learnt that everyone is human and I shouldn't be ashamed to stand out and help others".

Omari Henry – Former Pupil Chaplain

"I have learnt that I am capable of doing anything as long as I have the right guidance and mind-set...I have learnt to speak and spread messages not just the Word of God but also raising awareness about problems in the modern world. I will remember to speak for those who don't have a voice in the net part of my life. To the groups: enjoy your years in High School. Take all opportunities you can and be open to trying new things. Stay out of trouble!" Omari Henry Y11



Spiritual development:

Preparing and supporting the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy communion and Confirmation.

Safe space to reflect and grow closer to God in Chaplaincy Room- F105

Individual class & year-group Mass Celebrations

- Daily Morning Prayer in Chaplaincy room, Year group Assemblies & formation groups.
- Wednesday after Schools Prayer group from 15:20
- Individual spiritual guidance & guided prayer



What's on Offer:

There are many opportunities to get involved in Chaplaincy including signing up to the following roles:



- **Pupil Chaplains** - This is a selected group of students appointed by the Bishop to lead and safeguard the Catholic life of the School. They plan and lead assemblies, liturgies as well as assisting at Mass, RE lessons, Formation times and open evenings. They also work closely with their parishes taking up leadership positions in their places of worship. Please speak to Davie the Chaplain if you are a Gift Chaplain or would like to become a Pupil Chaplain at Loreto.
- **Justice & Peace Membership** – Justice & Peace is a student led group that meets once every week to look at ways through which everyone can live out the Loreto Vision, Mission and Values guided by Catholic Social teachings principles. They do this by looking at practical ways through which we can all become the change we need to make the world we live in better for all. The Justice & Peace focuses on issues of Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation and work in collaboration with the Senior prefect Team and the Student Council. Some of their recent projects include: Cafod's Walk for Water Challenge, Cornerstone's Big Sleep-In Campaign, The Caritas' Share the Journey Food & Clothing Campaign, Books2Africa books collection campaign and the Chaplaincy Free clothing shop.
- Both the Pupil Chaplaincy and Justice & Peace provide students with opportunities to enrol and attain their Diocese of Salford Faith in Action Award that enhances Home- School and Parish links enabling them to make a bigger impact in their own communities.

The group meets every Wednesday at Lunch in Chaplaincy. Please come along.



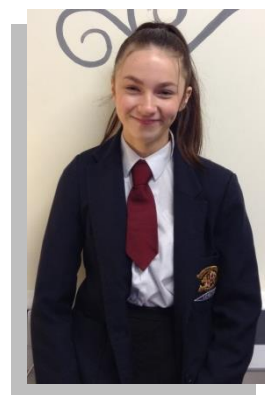


- Prayer clubs- every morning at 8am and after school at 3:30pm.

Jess Mellor Y11 - Fighting for your rights...

'Mary Ward walked all the way to Rome to fight for education- I don't think we can walk that far but we are raising money to support girls in Sudan.'

"Throughout your journey here at Loreto you will be challenged and stretched to become a better version of you, to succeed not just in your academic studies but to be who God meant you to be."



Jasmine Houghton- Y8



"As a Justice & Peace member, I have learnt that the environment is a fragile thing and we need to do all possible to save it".

"We only have one world- this World. I feel we can all do something to protect it"

-Stephyne Maria Rozario- Pupil Chaplain Year 7



Our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us (#1). But our sister cries out because of our lack of responsibility and love to her, and because "we have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will" (#2).
-Mary Ward JPIC Office-

Thoughts for Reflection

Laudato Si encourages us to reflect on six areas:

- **Climate change** – droughts, extreme temperatures
- **Water** – Ice melting, rising seas, flooding & shortages
- **Loss of biodiversity** – taking more than the our planet can replace, damage of the eco-system
- **Decline in the quality of human life and the breakdown of society**
- **Global inequality** – increasing gap between the rich & poor, throw away culture(not my problem if it does affect me directly)
- **Environmental problems**- Carbon footprint, Pollution

In Laudato Si Pope Francis says that while there are other causes, the main one is human activity.

- What do you think?
- What can you do in your personal and social lives to address the causes of climate change?

'It is not enough to recall principles, state intentions or point to crying injustices.. these words will lack real weight unless they are accompanied by personal responsibility and effective action.'

- Paul IV -



Sincerity Truth Joy Justice Freedom Excellence Internationality

Enrichment activities include:

Diocese of Salford Faith in Action Award

The Faith in Action Award is a National Catholic Award Scheme that challenges young people to put their faith into action in their schools, parishes and in the wider community. There are four awards for different age-groups: Pin, Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each Award requires a level of commitment to service as well as reflecting on that service.

You will be required to take some involvement in the life of your place of worship.

We aim to use the Faith in Action Award to enhance parish-school co-operation. Please speak to the Chaplain if you are or would like to be involved in your place of religious worship. This also includes those who have been involved as Caritas ambassadors, Gift Teams, Minivinnies, Cafod, Fairtrade, Justice & Peace, welcomers, readers and altar servers.



The Companions in Action Conference- 2021

This is an initiative that is designed to provide young people from Jesuit and Loreto schools with an opportunity to learn more about the key social justice and environmental issues of our day in the context of the Catholic Church's rich teaching in the area of social justice. It also seeks to provide an opportunity to gain new skills that will help young people be voices for positive change in the world.



Visits to Foodbanks and others places that offer support to those in need

As part of being change makers, the Justice & Peace group runs a variety of campaigns to raise awareness and fundraise on issues that affect our society. At the end of each campaign they visit centres that offer support to those in need to deliver their donations and see first-hand the impact that their work makes.



Pilgrimages



In February 2020, 16 students went on a shared Chaplaincy & RE pilgrimage to Rome. This was a great opportunity for students to take some time out of their busy lives, giving them a chance to explore and think about those things which are most important in life, and to enhance their growth in faith.

They witnessed the heart of the Catholic Church first hand by

visiting the Vatican and experienced an audience with the Pope. They also visited other key sites around Rome relating to Mary Ward and those who inspired her. These included: the English College in Rome, St Peter's Basilica, St Maria Maggiore, The Colosseum and Roman Forum, The Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museum. There will be opportunities for similar Pilgrimages in future.

Pupil Chaplain Training & Celebration Days - October, March & June

Our Pupil Chaplains will represent the school at various events during the academic year including running workshops in primary schools and parishes as well as attending Celebration days organised by the diocese.

Retreat days

Throughout the year, opportunities will be provided to each group to enable everyone to slow down, reflect and grow as complete human beings. These will range in variety from talks by inspirational speakers, visits, reconciliation services to times of prayer.



Shared Mass & visits to Loreto College, Xaverian, Loreto Grammar & Jesuit Schools

Every term, the Pupil Chaplains organise trips to Partner Colleges to celebrate our shared values and develop aspirations. This includes a Celebration of Mass, a talk and a tour followed by a shared lunch.

Quotes for your Day:

“Goodness is about Character, Integrity, Honesty, Kindness, Generosity, Moral courage and the like. More than anything else, it is about how we treat people”

–Dennis Page–

“I've learnt that people will forget what you said & did but will never forget how you made them feel.”

–Maya Angelou–

“May the God who dances in creation, who embraces us with human love, who shakes our lives with thunder, bless us and drive us out with power to fill the world with her justice”

–Janet Morley–



Slowing down at the end of day

How am I feeling?

How has my day been: my work, my family, my friends and my relationship with others?

What has added pleasure, enjoyment, joy excitement and satisfaction today?

Where have others appreciated my gifts and talents?

What has been challenging today?

What has stretched my patience, my thoughts and imagination?

What have been the unexpected blessings today?

What can I do better tomorrow?

Creator God, we place ourselves with all our plans, hopes and dreams before you. Pour out your spirit on all our work. Let us never be so rushed or pressed for time that we don't have time for one another. In spite of study and other commitments, may we all find the space to reflect on what guides our thoughts and decisions each day.

Equip us with the courage to lead, as well as the humility to follow. Inspire us to fully utilise our gifts for ourselves and the good of others. May we be good disciples, Fruitful, loyal friends, and good Samaritans wherever we go.

We hope that your time here will prepare you to succeed academically but most importantly help you to grow as a person.

We pray that in everything you do, you may contribute and benefit from our values of freedom, justice, joy, excellence, sincerity, internationality and truth. Always remember that you are now forever a part of this great Loreto community.

And, in the words of Pope Francis, 'Don't be afraid to dream great things!

