Dear Parent

Archdiocese of Birmingham

### ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit

### Fr Bernard O'Connor OSA – RIP

As you will know, Fr Bernard died last week. He was 93 years old in age but much younger in spirit. He loved the children and was always kind to them. He enjoyed coming over to school to celebrate class Masses. He was the epitome of holy gentleness and we will miss him greatly. May God grant him eternal peace. His Requiem will take place on Friday (24th) at 11.00am and, in accordance with current regulations, will need to be live-streamed. There is a memorial planned once things begin to return to some kind of normality - Fr John will make the details known.

### The God who Speaks

## "Peace be with you."

### Lourdes 2020

The Shrine of Lourdes is closed and travel restrictions in place so our visit this year is, clearly, cancelled. All monies sent into school will be refunded. Mrs Shepherd will be sorting this out in due course. We are hoping to have completed all transactions by the end of May 2020.

#### Online Learning

We resume our online learning from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April and hope that all children will become fully engaged again after their break. In line with our care and concern for children as well as our safeguarding duties, we will continue to phone the families of those who do not respond to our eschools learning platform.

### INSET DAY- 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 Cancelled

This day has been cancelled and if we have returned to school, we shall be open to the children.

I hope you are all enjoying the sunshine and, in the midst of the confusion, seeing the blessings from heaven that we are being given at this time.

God bless and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

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Second week of Easter