



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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15th March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you all know it has been a very difficult week for all the staff, children, governors, and parents at St. Mary's following the news that Reyes passed away on Sunday.

On Monday we all came together in a whole school Liturgy and we were supported by Father John, Deacon Nick and the CEO of Plymouth CAST, Mr Raymond Friel.

As a school family we sang, prayed, cried, but most importantly we remembered a very important young man who had contributed so much to the life of our school. At the end of our Liturgy Father John reminded us all that, Reyes was with the angels and that we should pray for his parents and his little brother and sister. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

The funeral will take place tomorrow, Saturday, 16th March 2019. The funeral service will commence at 11.00 am at St Mary's Church, 211a Wimborne Road, Poole, BH15 2EG. Poole High School will open their car park as we have been asked to save parking at the church for those who are travelling from afar. There may be up to 1000 mourners in attendance and the service may be live streamed. The service will be in Malayalam language, Reyes' family's mother tongue, as part of Reyes' tradition and culture

Everyone from our school community is welcome to attend. The coffin will be open and the service will last between 2.5 and 3 hours. Following the service at the Church, the Funeral Rites will take place at Poole Cemetery, 113 Old Farm Road, Poole, BH15 3RZ.

As a school family we thank you for all the prayers and support we have received this week and we are happy to continue to pass on cards, messages and flowers to the family on your behalf.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Armstrong
Headteacher