

# Newham Catholic Schools Brochure

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023



# A Catholic Education for your child?

Many parents think that a Catholic Education is about sending their child to a Catholic School, and that certainly is what is on offer to Catholic Parents in Newham, where we have seven Primary schools and two secondary schools, but a Catholic education begins with the desire of the Parents to share their faith with their children. This brochure has been put together by the Catholic Parishes and Schools of Newham to help you understand your role, the role of your parish and the role of the school. It is a combined task, you are not on your own, the parish and school are there to assist you on the journey, but the journey begins in the home, and begins when you bring your child to be baptised.

## The Family | Baptism

"You have asked to have your child baptised. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbour. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?" At your child's Baptism, these words were addressed to you by the priest, and you answered, "We do" for the first people responsible for educating a child in the faith are their parents. "Catholic parents learn to form their family as a 'domestic church,' a church in the home as it were, where God is honoured prayer is a normal event ... and everyone shares the hopes, the problems, and sufferings of everyone else." St John Paul II

The "domestic church" - is where children learn from watching their Father and Mother how to love God. In a word, your children will learn from you how to live a Christian life; you will be their first teachers in the faith, the faith is passed on 'around the family table,' in ordinary conversation, in the language that persevering love alone knows how to speak.

This is the building block on which a child begins to know about the things of God, and as they grow this strong foundation opens them to the wisdom of faith that enables them to navigate the ups and downs of daily life. This may seem daunting, but your local parish and school are here to help you.



## The Parish "It takes a whole village to bring up a child"

This wise African saying helps us to understand the importance of being part of our local parish, for it is here that by example, encouragement, teaching, and belonging to a community, that the roots of faith, sown at home, are strengthened. It is in the Parish those parents are given the support, and encouragement in their desire to bring up their children in the faith.

Catholic means universal, it is open to all. Many of you will have moved into your parish from other parts of the world, and one of your priorities has been to find the local Church. It is the "local" place for us wherever we may be in the world. The Parish is the point of gathering for those who believe in Jesus Christ, the place where we hear the Word of God, and receive the sacraments.

## The Catholic School

Preparing for a life of worth, not merely work - The Catholic school

supports the desire of parents for a Catholic education and are closely linked to our parishes in a joint ministry of support to parents in enabling their children to grow in faith. Catholic schools are welcoming to all who seek to share in their modern, vibrant communities and who value what they have to offer - an education of the highest standard that is grounded in Catholic faith and values, in communities of care. It is a partnership between students, parents, school, and parish where parents and families are welcomed as members of the school community.

Catholic schools encourage parents to be involved in all facets of school life and to actively support students in the full range of educational activities. Today, more than ever, there is a growing awareness of the need for education that is grounded in values. In times of rapid change, our schools are providing students with a foundation of faith, which will empower them to take their place in the world as spiritual, moral, well-integrated persons. Our schools recognise and value parents as the first educators of their child and work in close partnership with families to develop young men and women who will become constructive and compassionate members of society. Our school communities are places where the uniqueness and individuality of students and families is recognised and welcomed, and the human dignity of each student is promoted. Our dedicated teachers are one of the great strengths of our Catholic school communities and are recognised as being caring and willing to go the extra mile for their students.



## Mission Statement:

*We celebrate our special talents as children of God:*

*We try to be like Jesus and always keep him in our hearts.*

*We work together in our homes, school and parish to share our gifts and learn together. We understand that we are all different and we respect each other. We look after our world so that we may share it together in peace.*



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# St Antony's Catholic Primary School

**Type of provision:** Pre-School (2 Year Old Provision) and Nursery, Primary - Reception - Year 6, Mixed  
**Address:** Upton Avenue, Forest Gate, London E7 6PN  
**Tel:** 020 8552 3670  
**Web:** [stantonyscatholicprimary.co.uk](http://stantonyscatholicprimary.co.uk)  
**Headteacher:** Mrs Angela Moore  
**Linked parish:** St Antony of Padua Catholic Church, Forest Gate  
**Parish Priest:** Father John Moloney

**St Antony's Catholic Primary School is a vibrant, culturally diverse and aspirational school community, which inspires its children to aim high to attain their individual best.**

Our staff are committed and dedicated and have high expectations of the children in all areas. Children developing a work ethic, which will carry them all through life. We offer an outstanding education and have been named the 'Top Primary School in the country in 2019' as well as 'Primary School of the Decade

in 2021' by The Sunday Times for our sustained, high academic standards. Children are taught that each is 'God's Masterpiece'. Our children are resilient and confident and participate in initiatives such as The Living Wage Campaign, which make a real difference in their lives.

Our children work in partnership with a wide range of charities annually, raising funds to aid the most vulnerable of our local and wider community. Our Performing Arts Programmes offer our children the opportunity to develop and showcase their God-given talents, spreading the Good News of the Gospel to audiences local and international.

Our choir has performed at the Launch of Pope Francis' latest book 'Let Us Dream' -in December 2021 and in the presence of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and leaders of the Commonwealth Choir. They have performed on their favourite cartoon- Peppa Pig's Album for Save The Children and lead the singing at the weekly 10am Mass at our local parish church-St Antony Padua in Forest Gate.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

"St Antony's was my first choice for my child and I am happy with the school and the staff, they go above and beyond for the children."

"The teachers are approachable and supportive so, I definitely recommend the school to other parents."

"I have had my five children attend this school which has won many awards - I am a proud parent"

"My child has SEND needs and he has received such wonderful support and has made such great progress; I am so grateful to the head and staff"

"My child used to struggle with reading but the daily phonics interventions are simply amazing-he is now reading well!"

"St Antony's is simply the best!"



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Mission Statement:

*Following Christ to reach our goals.*

*At St Edward's school we focus on the holistic development of our children.*

*As well as succeeding academically, we want our children to develop their spiritual, moral, social and cultural values by reflecting on their own beliefs.*



Mission Statement:

*Peace. Love. Knowledge.*

*"As followers of Jesus and St Francis we pray that we are instruments of peace, learning to love and be loved, embracing our differences and Striving for excellence in all we do. Amen"*



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# St Edward's Catholic Primary School

**St Edward's is a child centred environment, which has Christ at its core. The aim of the school is to support your child's educational journey, not only academically but also spiritually, teaching the true values of the Gospel and Christ's teaching to love and to be kind to one another.**

St. Edward's share one vision and it is our mission to promote Catholic education whilst ensuring that all pupils reach their full potential. In joining our school, your child will be

**Type of provision:** Primary Nursery (½ day sessions) Reception - Year 6 Mixed  
**Address:** Green Street, London E13 9HX  
**Tel:** 020 8472 4337  
**Web:** st-edwards.newham.sch.uk  
**Headteacher:** Mr Paul Underwood  
**Linked parish:** Our Lady of Compassion  
**Parish Priest:** Father Angelus Houle

encouraged, motivated and guided to ensure that they develop their natural gifts and talents whilst gaining a well-rounded education in a happy and safe environment.

St Edward's is committed to the partnership of home, school and Parish and through all parties working together, our children will be sure of success.

Through this joint commitment, we welcome new members to our school to grow and work in the love Christ.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**I chose St Edward's Catholic Primary School for my children because of its outstanding Catholic ethos, which is in the heart of the school community - "Following Christ we reach our goals." As a parent of 15 years' experience in St. Edward's, I believe our children have a strong sense of belonging and show a great respect for themselves and others. My children have developed self-confidence and determination, as well as a positive behaviour for learning; this has helped to encourage strong relationships between friends and teachers.**

Being a former student (1991-1998) myself I can personally relate to these positive experiences, I have a lasting impression of the teachers as well as friendships, which I still, carry on to this day.

St Edwards has prepared my children well for their move to secondary school, giving them the encouragement to believe that they can achieve anything through faith and perseverance.

# St Francis' Catholic Primary School

**St Francis' is a diverse community where everyone is respected. In our school Christ is at the centre and is the source of our values. We value the partnership between parents, pupils and the parish family.**

We are caring and committed staff who nurture children academically, emotionally, physically and most importantly spiritually; this is achieved by building strong relationships with our children so we can build on their strengths and challenge them to be the best they can be. Staff, children and parents are encouraged to "live" their faith

**Type of provision:** Primary - Mixed - Nursery to Year 6 including a 30 hours provision for Nursery children Also Heaven Sent Day Nursery with provision for children from 6 months to 3 years old.  
**Address:** Maryland Park, Stratford, E15 1HB  
**Tel:** 0208 534 0476  
**Web:** st-francis.newham.sch.uk  
**Headteacher:** Natasha Scott  
**Linked parish:** St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Stratford  
**Parish Priest:** Father Michael O'Grady

through service in the school and local community; through regular fundraising and trying our best to demonstrate our Gospel values and live how Jesus would.

We are an inclusive school where your child's needs, aspirations and education will always come first. We provide a safe and welcoming environment for all and are committed to academic excellence. Our curriculum and resources are personalised for your child. We aim to provide your child with the knowledge and skills for success in the next stage of their education and beyond.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**At St Francis' both parent and child are welcomed in their learning environment. They taught me phonics so I can support my child with her learning. My child is in year 2 and she has lessons in IT, French, English, Maths, Baking and more.**

The school has after school clubs with a variety of activities including bowling. The school offers an extended day, 7.30am – 6pm which as a full time working parent greatly helps. My daughter is flourishing and her knowledge in social responsibilities such as becoming an eco-warrior and reading is way beyond expectations for her age. Choosing the right school was a challenge. I visited more than six schools and on my visit to St Francis, from meeting the welcoming reception staff, to seeing the children and teachers, just resonated with me. I knew it would be a good fit for mine and any child regardless of their ability and background.



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Mission Statement:

***United by its Catholic faith, St. Helen's is a multicultural school, committed to developing the spiritual, academic, and social potential of each child.***



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Mission Statement:

***Playing and Praying, Loving and Learning, We achieve through God.***

***To inspire children to grow spiritually and morally through developing their knowledge and understanding of Catholicism.***

***To raise standards and aspirations through providing creative, inspirational and enjoyable learning opportunities and experiences.***

***To inspire and enable children to grow in confidence, to take risks and develop an understanding of the world they live in and actively be part of it.***

# St Helen's Catholic Primary School

## Type of provision:

Primary Pre-school - Year 6 (2-11 years), Mixed

**Address:** Chargeable Lane, London, E13 8DW

**Tel:** 020 7476 1785

**Web:** st-helens.newham.sch.uk

## Headteacher:

Miss Claire Doherty

## Linked parish:

St Margaret's Canning Town  
**Parish Priest:** Monsignor John Armitage, Father Tony Grant (Assistant Parish Priest)

## At St Helen's we serve the

**community of Canning Town and Plaistow; the children and families that come to us are welcomed into a community that prioritises children's spiritual development alongside their wellbeing, academic excellence, and social and emotional learning.**

Our passionate staff ensure that the children receive the highest

quality of education which is further enhanced through our amazing range of educational visits, residential, workshops and specialist lessons.

We ensure that children are challenged in all areas of their educational journey with us; learning how to live as good citizens, with all of the skills that they will need to be successful in later life.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**St Winefride's is a warm, friendly and vibrant community which provides its children with an outstanding education. Children thrive in our caring and nurturing environment where every member of the community is valued and respected as a unique gift from God.**

We strive to develop strong, confident and responsible young people who aspire to reach their full potential.

Children enjoy learning and achieve high standards. Our curriculum encourages children to learn about the challenges the world is facing and to have the inspiration to improve and preserve the future of our planet, and to live happy and kind lives in the way that Jesus teaches us.

Teachers have high expectations of the children and behaviour for learning is a real strength.

# St Joachim's Catholic Primary School

## St. Joachim's Catholic Primary

**School is an excellent Catholic primary school that provides all its pupils an engaging and exciting Catholic education through an ambitious and creative curriculum, which inspires and motivates children with a love of learning and self-development.**

The school works hard to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, which is reflected in our school ethos and mission statement, where all our children are inspired and encouraged to reach their full potential, both spiritually and academically.

St Joachim's School has consistently for many years achieved high standards academically and in many other aspects of the school life through the arts and sports. We also provide children engaging and extensive extra-curricular

## Type of provision:

Primary, Nursery - Year 6, Mixed

**Address:** Shipman Road, Canning Town, London E16 3DT

**Tel:** 020 7476 1658

**Web:** st-joachims.newham.sch.uk

**Headteacher:** Mr James Allen

## Linked parish:

Parish of Our Lady of

Walsingham

## Parish Priest:

Father Daniel Kelly

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**St Joachim's provides a good range of theoretical and practical work as well as a good balance of class work and fieldwork. St Joachim's is a very cohesive school community.**

St. Joachim's provide high standard of education. The school encourages my child to be the best version of them self.

To the best of my knowledge St. Joachim's is the best and have been for a long time. They are good and I feel welcome whenever I visit.

opportunities through before and after school clubs, numerous outstanding educational visits, musical instrument tuition, and various sports training opportunities. Children at St Joachim's are always safe at school and very happy to attend each day. Our children love their school.



Mission Statement:

*In the footsteps of Jesus, we strive to achieve excellence in everything we do.*



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# St Michael's Catholic Primary School

**Type of provision:** Primary, Nursery (½ day session), Reception - Year 6, Mixed  
**Address:** Howard Road, East Ham, London E6 3EE  
**Tel:** 020 8472 3964  
**Web:** st-michaels.newham.sch.uk  
**Headteacher:** Ms N. Scott  
**Linked parish:** St Michael's  
**Parish Priest:** Rev. Canon Bob Hamill

**St Michael's is a small, friendly, safe and welcoming community that celebrates the diversity of our children.**

St Michael's is an inclusive school that caters for the needs of all children. We live our mission of following in the footsteps of Jesus. Our Catholic ethos is evident in everything that we do.

We have strong home, school and parish links. We aim to stretch and

challenge our children's learning with the curriculum opportunities that we provide. We support our pupils beyond the gates by engaging them in extracurricular activities to develop their gifts and talents.

We strive to provide a stimulating learning environment, giving all children the opportunity to succeed and achieve their full potential.

We're sure your child will be happy at our school.



Mission Statement:

*We celebrate God's love for everyone. We enjoy learning and growing together in our caring and welcoming family. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." Matthew 19:14*



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# St Winefride's Catholic Primary School

**St Winefride's is a warm, friendly and vibrant community which provides its children with an outstanding education. Children thrive in our caring and nurturing environment where every member of the community is valued and respected as a unique gift from God.**

We strive to develop strong, confident and responsible young people who aspire to reach their full potential.

Children enjoy learning and achieve high standards. Our curriculum encourages children to learn about

**Type of provision:** Nursery and Primary  
**Address:** Church Road, Manor Park, London E12 6HB  
**Tel:** 020 8478 0510  
**Web:** st-winefrides.newham.sch.uk  
**Headteacher:** Mrs Nicola Brosnan  
**Linked parish:** St Stephen's and St Nicholas' parish  
**Parish Priest:** Rev. John Victor

the challenges the world is facing and to have the inspiration to

improve and preserve the future of our planet, and to live happy and kind lives in the way that Jesus teaches us.

Teachers have high expectations of the children and behaviour for learning is a real strength.

Our children have the opportunity to participate in extensive extra-curricular activities including our choir which has been invited to perform at prestigious events including celebrations involving Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and events celebrating the Commonwealth.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**"I am pleased that my children started their educational journey with St Winefride's. May God bless all the staff."**

**"I am very happy and proud that my children attend St Winefride's. I am particularly happy with the way any concerns I put to teachers are followed through and resolved."**

**"The school is doing a great job and is excellent. May the Good Lord help and bless the management and staff of St Winefride's."**

**"Great job St Winefride's. Keep doing what you're doing, because you're doing it right!!!"**



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Mission Statement:

*Through our curriculum and community life, we seek to meet the needs of the whole person and to enable all to achieve their full potential.*

*We offer to all the challenges of building and living in a Catholic Christian community in which all members are equally valued.*



Mission Statement:

*St Bonaventure's school was founded by and is part of the Catholic Church. It is steeped in Christian principles and enriched by the cultural and religious diversity of its environment.*

*We endeavour to be a community where each individual can grow spiritually, academically and socially while at all times serving as a witness to the Catholic faith.*

# St Angela's Ursuline School

**St Angela's school is part of the Ursuline tradition which has as its hallmark the pursuit of the highest standards possible in education. Through our curriculum and community life, we seek to meet the needs of the whole person and to enable all to achieve their full potential.**

We offer all the challenges of building and living in a Catholic Christian community in which all members are equally valued. We share with St Angela a commitment to the service of young people, which will empower them to play their full part in society.

In the light of this we aim to

- recognise and respond sensitively to the talents and needs of every student and provide the most appropriate means of developing their full potential;
- ensure that equality of opportunity is available to all;
- welcome, value and respect all who come to the school;
- provide opportunities for experiencing the fullness of

Catholic and Christian life with understanding and respect for all people, cultures, traditions and faiths;

- build a community based on justice and a sense of personal responsibility while acknowledging the power of healing, reconciliation and forgiveness;
- promote dialogue and co-operation with the wider community.

**Type of provision:** Secondary Year 7-11 - Girls  
6th Form - Mixed  
**Address:** St Georges Road, Forest Gate, London, E7 8HU  
**Tel:** 020 8472 6022  
**Web:** stangelas-ursuline.co.uk  
**Headteacher:** Mr Mark Johnson  
**Linked parish:** St Antony's Parish, Diocese of Brentwood  
**Parish Priest:** Father John Jesus

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

**Catholic life at St Angela's Ursuline School is outstanding. In 2022 the school celebrated record breaking results with 72% achieving A\*/B grade & 93% of students at A\*-C at A-Level and at GCSE a brilliant 90% Grade 4+ in Eng/Ma with 71% achieving the stronger pass of Grade 5.**

**In our recent outstanding Section 48 inspection inspectors noted that 'Students thrive in this multi faith community which is an oasis of peace, prayer and faith. The school is situated at the heart of a very diverse local community which is reflected in the intake of the school. Students speak warmly of the welcoming ethos of the school where everyone is made to feel included no matter what their faith or background. Students feel they are part of a family where kindness and respect are shown to all.**

# St Bonaventure's

**Type of provision:** Secondary, All Boys - Year 7 - 11, 6th Form - Mixed  
**Address:** Boleyn Road, London E7 9QD  
**Tel:** 020 8472 3844  
**Web:** www.stbons.org  
**Headteacher:** Mr Christopher McCormack  
**Linked parish:** St Antony of Padua. Other parishes: Our Lady of Compassion, St Michael, Our Lady of Walsingham, St Francis of Assisi, St Stephen, St Mark, St Anne, St Margaret & All Saints  
**Parish Priest:** Father John Moloney

**St Bonaventure's provides an outstanding education in a caring environment.**

Your child will be supported and encouraged to reach their full

potential. This is a caring and nurturing environment with all that we do based on the Gospel Values and the 7 virtues of St Bonaventure's - Faith, Hope, Charity, Integrity, Courage, Humility and Kinship.

## We aim to:

Enrich pupil's understanding of the Roman Catholic faith and to cultivate respect and understanding for other religious traditions. Prayer and Worship is central to school life.

Create an environment that is warm and welcoming, well-ordered and disciplined, reflecting the mutual trust and respect between staff and pupils where each person is recognised as an individual, valued and enabled to fulfil their potential to the highest possible standard.

Provide a full and comprehensive curriculum for all students to enable them to develop their full potential in all areas of school life - spiritual, intellectual, physical, creative, moral and social. Promote a spirit of collaboration and co-operation. We recognise that all staff have a contribution to make to our school. All teachers and non-teachers must be valued and treated with respect.

## Why should parents send their child to this school?

St Bonaventure's provides an outstanding education in a caring environment. Your child will be supported and encouraged to reach their full potential. This is a caring and nurturing environment with all that we do based on the Gospel Values and the 7 virtues of St Bonaventure's - Faith, Hope, Charity, Integrity, Courage, Humility and Kinship.

"St Bonaventure's is an amazing school and I am thankful that my boys are there"

"St Bon's is like a family, I know my son will be looked after there"

"The teachers care for the students and encourage them to do well"



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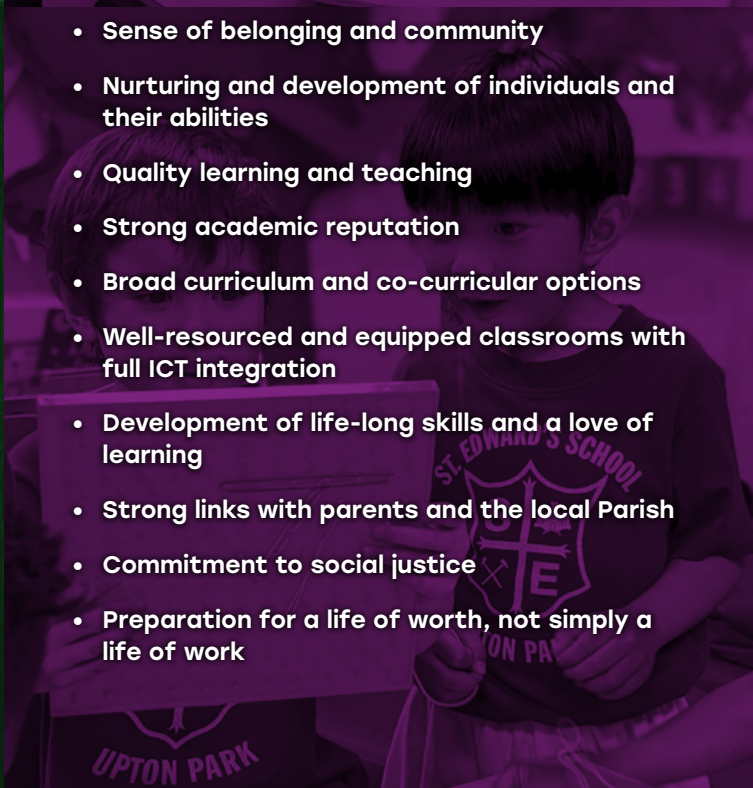
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## Is a Catholic school right for your child and your family?

- Faith and values-based learning environment
- A holistic education - academic, spiritual, social,
- Emotional and physical development
- Welcoming, inclusive and family-oriented environment
- High standards of behaviour and respect for self and others
- Safe and caring environment
- Sense of belonging and community
- Nurturing and development of individuals and their abilities
- Quality learning and teaching
- Strong academic reputation
- Broad curriculum and co-curricular options
- Well-resourced and equipped classrooms with full ICT integration
- Development of life-long skills and a love of learning
- Strong links with parents and the local Parish
- Commitment to social justice
- Preparation for a life of worth, not simply a life of work

