

**Are you looking for an exciting opportunity to lead an outstanding Catholic Primary School, where “in the light of Jesus, we learn to shine”?**

**St Mary & St John Catholic Primary School**

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**Headteacher**

Group 2

ISR L15-21

N.O.R 210

Required from September 2025

St Mary’s and St John’s Catholic Primary School is a very successful and welcoming one-form entry school serving the two churches of St John’s and St Mary’s within the Liverpool Archdiocesan parish of St William.

The Governors are seeking an inspirational leader and practising Catholic to guide our pupils, staff, and families in their journey of faith, love, and academic excellence.

**Could this be you?**

If you are passionate about making a difference, we encourage you to apply and join our dedicated team. Our new Headteacher will:

* Be a practising Catholic, with a strong faith and deep commitment to the Catholic ethos of the school and our community;
* Strive to maintain and further enrich our outstanding school;
* Be a role model with the vision and creativity to inspire and motivate others through their commitment and dedication to raising and maintaining high standards, ensuring that all children are able to flourish and reach their full potential;
* Be an experienced, and effective leader, with interpersonal skills to develop strong working relationships with our staff, pupils, parents, parish and governors;
* Be aspirational in ensuring high-quality teaching and learning for all pupils using proven effective teaching methods whilst also prioritising importance of pupil and staff wellbeing;
* Have proven and extensive leadership experience as a successful senior leader of a primary school.

**In return we can offer you:**

* A school that nurtures and celebrates the Catholic faith and ethos, where faith and learning are intertwined;
* Enthusiastic and ambitious pupils who are keen to learn;
* An experienced and dedicated family of teachers and support staff who are committed to supporting, nurturing, and providing quality education to our pupils;
* A highly supportive, effective, and ambitious Governing Body who are qualified and dedicated;
* Supportive parents, and carers, with strong links to the parish and wider community.

**If you are a leader who has the vision and drive to become our new Headteacher, we would like to hear from you.**

You will need to be able to demonstrate a commitment to Catholic faith, further information can be found in the ‘Catholic schools’ definition of a practising Catholic’ (Attach doc)

We warmly invite you to visit our school to meet our happy, confident and enthusiastic pupils and dedicated staff. Visits can be arranged by contacting Michelle Foster, Clerk to the Selection panel via email at michelle.foster@wigan.gov.uk to make an appointment.

Please also visit our website to see what [St Mary & St John's](https://www.saintmaryandjohn.wigan.sch.uk/) has to offer.

Application packs including CES application form can be found on the school website or greater.jobs

**The closing date for applications is midnight on the Sunday 30th March 2025**

Interviews will take place on 24th and 25th April 2025

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