



## Archdiocese of Birmingham Academies Update:

September 2021

- On the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 there were 143 academies within the Archdiocese of Birmingham operating within 16 Multi-Academy Companies (MACs). In addition, we continue to have John Henry Newman operating as an academy from pre-MAC model arrangements.
- Although each MAC differs in size the desired model consists of a common strategic and structural framework of secondary schools aligned to primary feeder schools. This reflects the aim to structurally consolidate the relationship between partner schools as well as providing a secure and effective mechanism for promoting outstanding Catholic education across the 4-19 age range.
- His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley, wrote to all Directors, Governors of Catholic VA schools under the Diocesan Trust Deed, Principals, Headteachers and Parish Priests requesting that they join, or be in the process of, a Multi Academy Company. Further guidance on this Strategy is available on the Academies section of the D.E.S. website <http://www.bdes.org.uk/academies.html>.
- The DES holds regular meetings with MAC Boards to support and challenge Catholic Life, Leadership and Governance, Educational Standards and Financial Performance across each MAC.
- The DES holds regular meetings with officers of the DfE to monitor performance and discuss ongoing developments of the MAC strategy. The DfE team consults with the Regional School Commissioner and elected Headteacher Boards whose approval is required before any MAC proposal is signed off by the Minister.
- The DES is delighted to announce the formation of the Our Lady of The Magnificat, which brings together Our Lady of Lourdes and Holy Family MACs.
- In continuing the development of our education strategy, on 1<sup>st</sup> September, St Chad's, The Rosary and St Joseph's (Nechells), joined St Teresa of Calcutta; St Christopher's joined St Francis and St Clare; and St Bernadette's (Brownhills) and St John Bosco (primary) joined St John Bosco MAC.

### Diocesan MACs in operation (Secondary school in italics)

- The Painsley MAC (Staffordshire): St Giles, Cheadle; The Faber, Cotton; St Filumena's, Caverswall; St Mary's, Leek; St Thomas, Tean; St Joseph's, Uttoxeter; Blessed Mother Teresa; St Anne's; St Austin's; St Patrick's; St Dominic's, Stone; St John's, Great Haywood; St Mary's, Brewood; *Blessed William Howard, Painsley, Cheadle* (15) **Converted: 01.09.2018** (This MAC is a join of the previously converted Painsley MAC, 01.09.2014 and the Holy Trinity MAC, converted 01.03.2016).
- The St John Bosco MAC (Dudley): St Chad's; St Joseph's; St. Mary's; St Bernadette's (Brownhills); St John Bosco (Primary); *Bishop Milner, Stuart Bathurst* (7) **Converted: 01.09.2013**

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- The Newman Collegiate MAC (North Stoke): St George & St Martin's; St Mary's; St Peter's; St Wilfrid's; Our Lady & St Benedict; St John the Evangelist, St Joseph's; Our Lady of Grace; *St Margaret Ward* (9) **Converted: 01.09.2013**
- The All Saints Collegiate MAC (South Stoke): Our Lady's; St Maria Goretti; St Augustine's; St Gregory's; *St Thomas More* (5) **Converted: 01:11.2013**
- The John Paul II MAC (Sutton Coldfield): St Joseph's; Holy Cross; St Nicholas; SS Mary & John; SS Peter & Paul; Sacred Heart; The Abbey; *Bishop Walsh*; *St. Edmund Campion* (9) **Converted: 01.01.2014**
- Christ the King MAC (North Staffordshire): St Mary's, Newcastle; St Teresa's, Trent Vale; St Thomas Aquinas; St. Wulstan's; Our Lady and St. Werburgh's; *St John Fisher* (6) **Converted: 01.04.2014**
- Our Lady of The Magnificat (ex Our Lady of Lourdes (01.07.2014) and Holy Family (01.04.2017) (North Worcs. and South Warks): St Bede's; St Peter's; Our Lady of Mount Carmel; St. Thomas More; St Mary's, Broadway; St Mary's, Henley; Our Lady's, Alcester; St Gregory's, Stratford; St Mary's, Evesham, *St Benedict's, Alcester St Augustine's; Trinity* (12) **Converted: 01.09.2021**
- Pope Francis MAC (Oxfordshire): St. John's; St Joseph's; Holy Trinity; St. Joseph's, Carterton; St John Fisher, Littlemore; St Joseph's, Thame; St Thomas More, Kidlington; Our Lady's, Cowley; Our Lady of Lourdes, Witney; *Blessed George Napier; St Gregory's, Oxford* (11) **Converted: 01.01.2021**
- Holy Spirit MAC (Warwickshire): Our Lady & St. Joseph's; St Anne's; St Benedict's; St Francis; *St Thomas More* (5) **Converted: 01.03.2015**
- Lumen Christi Catholic MAC (South Birmingham): St Columba's; St. John Fisher; St Joseph's; St Paul's; St Brigid's; St James; St. Thomas More; *St Thomas Aquinas* (8) **Converted: 28.03.2015**
- Archbishop Romero MAC (Coventry): Corpus Christi; Good Shepherd; Sacred Heart; SS Peter & Paul; St Gregory's; St John Fisher; St Patrick's; *Cardinal Wiseman* (8) **Converted: 01.08.2015**
- St. Teresa of Calcutta MAC (Birmingham): Holy Souls; The Rosary; St Chad's; St Joseph's (Nechells); *Archbishop Ilesley, Holy Trinity* (6) **Converted 01:05:2019**
- Holy Cross Catholic MAC (Coventry): Christ the King; St. Augustine's; St. Elizabeth's; St. John Vianney; St. Thomas More; *Bishop Ullathorne; Cardinal Newman* (7) **Converted 01.09.2019**
- St. Francis and St. Clare Catholic MAC (Wolverhampton): Corpus Christi; Holy Rosary; St. Anthony's; St. Mary's; St. Mary and St. John; St. Michael's; St. Patrick's; SS Peter & Paul; St. Teresa's; St Christopher's; *Our Lady and St. Chad's; St. Edmund's* (12) **Converted 01.09.2019**

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- Emmaus (North Worcestershire/Dudley/South Sandwell/Birmingham): Our Lady of Fatima; St. Ambrose; St. Francis Xavier; St. Gregory's; St. Philip's; St. Hubert's; St. Joseph's; St. Mary's, Brierley Hill; St. Wulstan's; *Hagley* (10) **Converted: 01.02.2021**
- Our Lady and All Saints MAC (Birmingham/Solihull/Warwickshire): Guardian Angels; Our Lady's; Our Lady of Compassion; Our Lady of the Wayside; St. Andrew's; St. Anne's; St. Anthony's; St. Augustine's; St. Edward's; St. George & St. Teresa's; St. John the Baptist; St. Wilfrid's; *St. Peter's* (13) **Converted: 01.04.2021**