



St Joseph’s Catholic Voluntary Academy is a member of the St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust (CMAT).

Our Trust was established by the Rt Rev Patrick McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham, and came into being on 1 September 2018.

The existence of the CMAT provides new ways for our schools to work together. Children benefit from the expertise of staff from across the schools, and they will have increased opportunities to work with young people from other schools also. Training for our staff will provide even greater quality in our classrooms, and better value for money will mean that more resources can be focussed in those classrooms.

We are truly blessed to belong to a family of schools which, with Christ at the heart of all that we do, shares a common mission to prepare our young people for a wholesome, fulfilling, active life in the future. Our commitment to all parents and carers is to care for, support and educate your child to the highest possible standards.

Our Trust prayer is –

*Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Creator, true source of light and fountain of wisdom!*

*Pour forth your light upon our schools, and take away any darkness which covers us. Grant our young people open minds to understand, the clarity to comprehend, and abundant grace in expressing themselves.*

*Guide the beginning of our work, direct its progress, and bring it to successful completion. This we ask through Jesus Christ, true God and true man, living and reigning with You and the Father, forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

Please also see our Trust Vision below.

For further information about the CMAT, visit our website at [www.aquinas-cmat.org](http://www.aquinas-cmat.org)

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