

**+THE PARISHES OF SAINT JOSEPH AND SAINT WILFRID+
GATESHEAD**

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MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

	APRIL		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	7	5.00pm	People of the Parish	3pm-5pm	<i>El Shaddai prayer group</i>
Sunday	8	10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	10.00am 12 noon (EF) 3.00pm	Stan Gould Linda de Castro Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Monday	9	10.00am	Joseph		
Tuesday	10			12.05pm	Joseph
Wednesday	11			12.05pm Anointing of the sick	Joseph
Thursday	12			12.05pm	Recovery of Sheila Hazlitt
Friday	13	10.00am	Priest's Intention	12.05pm	Jean McCormack
Saturday	14	5.00pm		11.00am (EF) 3.00pm-8pm	Private Intention (A & M) <i>El Shaddai prayer group</i>
Sunday	15	10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	10.00am 12 noon (EF)	People of the Parish Bernard Wright

EF DENOTES EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 12NOON-12.30PM: WEDNESDAY AFTER MASS. ST WILFRID'S BEFORE 5.00PM MASS SATURDAY NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAY.

COLLECTIONS: 01..04.18 St Joseph's 10.00am £333.63 Midweek £72.62
12 noon £285.85
Total £616.48

St Wilfrid's: £169.69. Maundy Thursday £151.76. Donations £15 Many thanks.

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Pat Palmer, Joe Beck, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley, Margaret Moore and Jeanette Brenkley

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS Fr Brown will take Holy Communion on Friday morning to housebound parishioners in Alexandra house.

ST JOSEPH'S

DIVINE MERCY. A plenary indulgence is available under the usual conditions for all who take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!"). At 3pm this afternoon we will celebrate the Divine Mercy devotions in St Joseph's. Tea and biscuits afterwards. All welcome.

SAFEGUARDING. Thank you to Shauna Devitt for volunteering for this important role in the parish.

THANK YOU to the Tuesday club and Sunday coffee for the beautiful floral display for Easter and a donation of £100 for CAFOD.

DIOCESE.

ROSARY ON THE COAST A day of Pilgrimage and Prayer for the reflowering of our Faith for the grace to build a culture of Life and for true Peace to reign will be held on 29th April at 3pm. The North East contingent will meet just behind Colmans Seafood Temple, Sea Road, South Shields, NE33 2LD. For more information please see www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk.

THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE SCRIPTURE WORKING GROUP has been working alongside the Northern Dioceses and religious orders to organise events celebrating the Word of God – one in the north-east, the other in the north-west. The event closest to our own diocese is to be held on Saturday 12 May at All Saints School, York (5 minutes from the railway station). It is open to all but might be of special appeal to clergy, school and university chaplains Readers and students (6th form and above). More information on the poster or from Kathryn Turner (spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk)

CELEBRATION of MARRIAGE

Bishop Séamus will celebrate Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 5th May at 11.00am to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage.

He has invited each parish community to be represented by at least two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary.

In addition, everyone is welcome to attend. This promises to be a wonderful celebration and will provide affirmation and support for Marriage across the diocese and to the wider North-East community.

ANNUAL MEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM will this year take place from Friday 29th June to Sunday 1st July. The cost which includes coach travel, bed breakfast and evening meals plus a traditional Sunday lunch before our return home is £150. A deposit of £50 to secure a place. For details contact. John Ross Tel 0191 4404391. John Robertson Tel 0191 4877790

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Low Sunday: Year B (OF)

Feast of the Divine Mercy

Low Sunday (EF)

7th/8th April 2018

During the course of Jesus' revelations to Saint Faustina on the Divine Mercy He asked on numerous occasions that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy and that this feast be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The liturgical texts of that day, the 2nd Sunday of Easter, concern the institution of the Sacrament of Penance, the Tribunal of the Divine Mercy, and are thus already suited to the request of Our Lord. This Feast, which had already been granted to the nation of Poland and been celebrated within Vatican City, was granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina on 30 April 2000. In a decree dated 23 May 2000, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments stated that "throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come." These papal acts represent the highest endorsement that the Church can give to a private revelation, an act of papal infallibility proclaiming the certain sanctity of the mystic, and the granting of a universal feast, as requested by Our Lord to St. Faustina.

Concerning the Feast of Mercy Jesus said:

Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. (*Diary* 300)

I want the image solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. (*Diary* 341)

This Feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies. (*Diary* 420)