

**+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	8	5.00pm	People of the Parish		
Sunday	9	10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	10.00am	People of the Parish
				12 noon (Latin)	Reece & Frain families
				4.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Monday	10	10.00am	Margaret Iveson		
Tuesday	11			12.05pm	Rose
Wednesday	12			12.05pm <i>Anointing Mass</i>	
Thursday	13	7.00pm	K & L		
Friday	14	10.00am	Quigley family	11.00am	Stations of the Cross
		3.00pm	Commemoration of the Lord's Passion	3.00pm	Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday	15			6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	16	9.30am	Isabella Sanderson		
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon (EF)	Jean McCormack & Beranrd Wright

CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S CONFESSIONS AFTER 12.05 MASS ON WEDNESDAY AND 12 NOON TO 12.30PM ON SATURDAY ST WILFRID'S BEFORE 6.00PM MASS SATURDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS BEFORE MASS ON TUESDAY AND FRIDAY IN SAINT JOSEPH'S EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAY AFTER MASS

COLLECTIONS: .02.04.17 St Joseph's 10.00am: £217.22 Midweek £98.40
12 noon £154.83
Total £372.05

St Wilfrid's. £128.60. Bonus Ball £109, Donation £5

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and especially Pat Palmer, Joe Beck, Theresa Vickers, Bernadette Hand and Alexis May Miller

SYRIAN PROJECT. £1099.57 raised so far. Next collection May 6th.

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS: .Fr Brown will take Holy Communion to the housebound parishioners in Alexandra Court on Thursday morning this week.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION for children who do not attend Catholic schools. The next session, led by Sr Jacinta, will take place on Sunday April 2nd at 4pm in the presbytery at St Wilfrid's.

COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES The collection for the Holy Places is taken on Palm Sunday. The Holy Places of our faith are eloquent witnesses of the death and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. From those places, the Easter proclamation has spread throughout the world, and it continues to spread. A Christian community has remained in those regions down the centuries, even at the cost of great sacrifice and martyrdom. Since the first Pentecost, it has bravely shown the universal face of the Church to the world. Today, as we know, living the Christian faith in the Middle East is not all that easy. Especially in Iraq, Syria and Egypt, where Christian communities have experienced an "ecumenism of blood", individuals are daily pressured to abandon their land, or even their faith. Keeping hope alive in such circumstances is both difficult and vitally important.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY St Wilfrid's 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper: Joint Mass of English and Polish communities. Watching until 10pm.

GOOD FRIDAY St Joseph's. 11am Stations of the Cross
3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
St Wilfrid's 3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

6pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Polish)

HOLY SATURDAY St Joseph's: Confessions 12-12.30pm
Easter Vigil Mass 6pm
St Wilfrid's Easter Vigil Mass 7pm (Polish)

EASTER SUNDAY
St Wilfrid's Mass 9.30am
St Joseph's Mass 12 noon (Latin)
St Wilfrid's Mass 11.00am (Polish)

ST JOSEPH'S

DAY CENTRE. St Joseph's Day Centre will close by the end of June due to lack of funding. The diocese will be looking to find another use for the rooms. The staff will be re-deployed and the clients are to be found alternative care.

ST WILFRID'S

MAUNDY THURSDAY. During the Mass on Thursday night we will have the washing of feet. If you would like to volunteer please do so.

NEW CHURCH SIGNAGE has been ordered. We are employing the services of Signs Express Gateshead. It will be 2 signs in a V-shaped design so that everyone can see it. It will be done hopefully within the next two weeks. Again the money for this has come from fundraising at the back of Church.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. Please note that this now takes place before Mass on Saturday nights. Would everyone coming into Church remember this. Why not come in and spend some moments alone in silence in the presence of Him??

GATESHEAD HOMELESS PROJECT : JOE'S PLACE at St. Joseph's Church Hall in Gateshead is open every Wednesday, from 10am -1pm offering food and a warm welcome to needy and vulnerable people. We urgently need more volunteers. If you would like to find out more, pop in and talk to one of our volunteers on a Wednesday or please contact our secretary Wilf McNeany on 07748118335. We do need your support to continue providing this service. There is also a container at the back of church for donations of packet or tinned food.

THE WAY WE SEE IT: A RESPONSE As we move into new partnerships, an important emerging priority is our relationship with young people. The report of the young people's survey 'The Way We See It' and Pope Francis' call for a Synod on Youth invite us to reflect on this relationship. The speaker will be the Anglican Rev David Wilkinson of St John's College, Durham. All adult parishioners and young people of sixth form age are invited to a Diocesan Conference at the Newcastle Assembly Rooms on SATURDAY 13TH MAY. Every church community is asked to be represented. Further details are in the booking form available from the parish priest or from the Youth Ministry Team (01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org) Details also on YMT website www.ymt.org

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Palm Sunday: Year A (OF)

Palm Sunday (EF)

8th April / 9th April 2017

Saint Stanislaus (July 26, 1030 – April 11, 1079)

Anyone who reads the history of Eastern Europe cannot help but chance on the name of Stanislaus, the saintly but tragic bishop of Kraków, patron of Poland. He is remembered with Saints Thomas More and Thomas Becket for vigorous opposition to the evils of an unjust government.

Born in Szczepanow near Kraków on July 26, 1030, he was ordained a priest after being educated in the cathedral schools of Gniezno, then capital of Poland, and at Paris. He was appointed preacher and archdeacon to the bishop of Kraków, where his eloquence and example brought about real conversion in many of his penitents, both clergy and laity. He became bishop of Kraków in 1072.

During an expedition against the Grand Duchy of Kiev, Stanislaus became involved in the political situation of Poland. Known for his outspokenness, he aimed his attacks at the evils of the peasantry and the king, especially the unjust wars and immoral acts of King Boleslaus II.

The king first excused himself, then made a show of penance, then relapsed into his old ways. Stanislaus continued his open opposition in spite of charges of treason and threats of death, finally excommunicating the king. Enraged, the latter ordered soldiers to kill the bishop. When they refused, the king killed Stanislaus with his own hands.

Forced to flee to Hungary, Boleslaus supposedly spent the rest of his life as a penitent in the Benedictine abbey in Osiak.

Feast Day 11th April

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