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Palm Sunday 10th April 2022

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES (PLEASE NOTE CHANGES THIS WEEK)

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	April 9 th	Priest's Intention	5.00pm		
Sunday	April 10 th			Len Pygall People of the parish	10.00am Midday
Monday	April 11 th	Holy Souls	10.00am		
Tuesday	April 12 th			George and Elizabeth McDonald	12.05pm
Wed	April 13 th			Holy Souls (P)	12.05pm
Thursday	April 14 th			Intention of Patricia Turnbull	7.00pm (EF)
Friday	April 15 th			Stations of the Cross Commemoration of the Lord's Passion	11.00am 3.00pm
Saturday	April 16 th		5.00pm	Priest's Intention	7.00pm
Easter Sunday	April 17 th	Bell and Cantwell families	9.30am	People of the Parish	Midday

"E F" = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL

**Confessions: - St Joseph's: Wednesday after Mass; Saturdays from 12-12.30
St Wilfrid's - before Mass on Saturday**

**Stations of the Cross EVERY Friday after Mass throughout Lent St Joseph's
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 11-11.55am St Joseph's
Benediction and Vespers 3.00pm EVERY FIRST Sunday of the Month
African Mass 2.00pm Every LAST Sunday of the Month**

Prayers for:

"Defending fundamental human rights demands courage and determination", First Holy Communion children and their families,
WORLD PEACE

**St Joseph's Parish Meeting
LAST CALL for AGENDA ITEMS and
declaration of interest**

email michaelbrown6@btconnect.com
by 5.00pm Wednesday 13th April
Thank you.

HOLY PLACES

There will be an extra collection NEXT Sunday for the Holy Places, please give as generously as you can.
Thank you

Spring is in the Air

If you are a leader/organiser of any parish activity, club or group please get in touch with Shauna: shaunadevitt@tiscali.co.uk in order that information can be disseminated via the newsletter, Face book page and website.

If you used to organise or lead a group/club/activity and no longer wish to reinstate it please let the office know in order that we can give out the correct information to those seeking information regarding the activities.
If you have any suggestions for new activities please send these to Canon Michael

Mass Intentions

While every effort is made to say Mass on the day requested there are factors which may mean it takes a while for your Mass to be said. This is mostly an issue regarding Sunday Masses. A priest can take a Mass stipend for one Mass per day. For a Sunday this includes the Saturday vigil as being a Sunday Mass. If you ask for a Mass on a Sunday, it will be said but sometimes takes a while as Sunday is a popular day for Mass requests and those requested for a particular date will take preference over those to be said on no fixed Sunday. Weekday Masses are easier to arrange. Latin Masses may take a while to be said as there are only two Masses a week, in general, and one of those is a Sunday.

Thank you for your patience.

If you have anything you would like to be included in the newsletter please email shaunadevitt@tiscali.co.uk by Thursday 5pm

LOST PROPERTY

We have several pairs of glasses and a child's watch in the office waiting to be reunited with rightful owners, if you think anything may belong to you please call into office to claim your possessions.

Thank you
Anything unclaimed by the end of April will be given to charity.



WHAT'S ON?

Tuesday Club
Every week after Mass in the hall

Book Club
Next meeting
27th April 7.00pm
in John Ingram Room

Parish Meeting Date to be arranged

Northern Brethren Fund

The Northern Brethren Fund, (NBF), looks after sick and retired Priests, giving out approximately £15,000 per month to those in need. In recent years collections have fallen drastically and we are appealing for your support.

Each one of us can remember a Priest who has helped us along our faith journey, one of those Priests may be relying on your support now, so please consider making a regular donation to the fund, or leaving a legacy in your will. A one-off donation at any time throughout the year is also greatly received. If you can gift aid your donation all the better.

A special collection will be taken on the weekend of the 23rd/24th April

Stella Maris Day of Prayer & Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on Saturday 4TH June 2022 safe crossing times 9:10am - 17.05pm

SVP

Would you be interested in helping to set up and be actively involved in an SVP group in our parish?
Please speak to Canon Michael.

Church Big Clean

A very big thank you to those who spent several hours cleaning the church and Sacristy on Thursday afternoon.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

The Church celebrates this sixth Sunday of Lent as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday.

This is the time of year we stop to remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. What we commemorate and relive during this week is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying and rising in Jesus, which will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Attentive participation in the Holy Week liturgy will deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith, and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus.

Today's liturgy combines contrasting moments, one of glory, the other of suffering: the royal welcome of Jesus in Jerusalem, and the drama of the trial, culminating in the crucifixion, death, and burial of the Christ.

Today's first reading, the third of Isaiah's four Servant Songs, like the other three, foreshadows Jesus' own life and mission. The Refrain for today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 22), "My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?" plunges us into the heart of Christ's Passion.

The Second Reading, taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians, is an ancient Christian hymn representing a very early Christian understanding of who Jesus is, and of how his mission saves us from sin and death. The first part of today's Gospel describes the royal reception Jesus received from his admirers, who paraded with him for a distance of the two miles between the Mount of Olives and the city of Jerusalem. In the second part of today's Gospel, we listen to/participate in a reading of the Passion of Christ according to Luke. We are challenged to examine our own lives in the light of some of the characters in the Passion story – like Peter who denied Jesus, Judas who betrayed Jesus, Herod who ridiculed Jesus, Pilate who acted against his conscience as he condemned Jesus to death on the cross, and the leaders of the people who preserved their position by getting rid of Jesus.

Ask yourself the following:

- 1) Does Jesus weep over my sinful soul as he wept over Jerusalem at the beginning of his Palm Sunday procession?
- 2) Am I a barren fig tree? God expects me to produce fruits of holiness, purity, justice, humility, obedience, charity, and forgiveness. Do I? Or worse, do I continue to produce bitter fruits of impurity, injustice, pride, hatred, jealousy and selfishness?
- 3) Will Jesus need to cleanse my heart with his whip? Jesus cannot tolerate the desecration of the temple of the Holy Spirit (which I have become), by my addiction to uncharitable, unjust, impure thoughts, words, and deeds; nor does Jesus praise my business mentality or calculation of loss and gain in my relationship with God, my Heavenly Father.
- 4) Do I welcome Jesus into my heart? Am I ready to surrender my life to him during this Holy Week and welcome him into all areas of my life as my Lord and Savior? Let us remember that we are all sinners who have crucified Jesus by our sins, but we are still able to turn to Jesus again to ask for pardon and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is through the Passion of Jesus that we receive forgiveness: "*with His stripes we are healed.*" (Is 53:5).
- 5) Are we like the humble donkey that carried Jesus, bringing Jesus' universal love, unconditional forgiveness, and sacrificial service to our families, places of work, and communities by the way we live our lives?



Weekly Income for 3rd April 2022

St Joseph's

Loose Plate Collection: £281

Gift Aid Envelopes: £101.50 Votive Candles: £63.29

Rental income: Room: £24 Car-park - £40

Donation: £152 Piety: £40 Flowers: £50

St Wilfrid's

Loose Plate: £159.50 Gift Aid: £42 Candles: £12.10

Piety: £20.70



Don't forget to look at the Parish website

[St Joseph's Catholic Church, Gateshead Official Website](http://stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org.uk)
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