

# St Joseph and St Wilfrid Weekly Newsletter

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**Week Commencing 25th August 2019 Twenty First Sunday (OF) Eleventh After Pentecost (EF)**

## Saint Louis IX of France

(April 25, 1214 – August 25, 1270)

At his coronation as king of France, Louis IX bound himself by oath to behave as God's anointed, as the father of his people and feudal lord of the King of Peace. Other kings had done the same, of course. Louis was different in that he actually interpreted his kingly duties in the light of faith. After the violence of two previous reigns, he brought peace and justice.

Louis "took the cross" for a Crusade when he was 30. His army seized Damietta in Egypt but not long after, weakened by dysentery and without support, they were surrounded and captured. Louis obtained the release of the army by giving up the city of Damietta in addition to paying a ransom. He stayed in Syria four years. Louis deserves credit for extending justice in civil administration. His regulations for royal officials became the first of a series of reform laws. He replaced trial by battle with a form of examination of witnesses and encouraged the use of written records in court.

Louis was always respectful of the papacy, but defended royal interests against the popes, and refused to acknowledge Innocent IV's sentence against Emperor Frederick II. Louis was devoted to his people, founding hospitals, visiting the sick, and like his patron Saint Francis, caring even for people with leprosy. He is one of the patrons of the Secular Franciscan Order. Louis united France—lords and townsfolk, peasants and priests and knights—by the force of his personality and holiness. For many years the nation was at peace.

Every day, Louis had 13 special guests from among the poor to eat with him, and a large number of poor were served meals near his palace. During Advent and Lent, all who presented themselves were given a meal, and Louis often served them in person. He kept lists of needy people, whom he regularly relieved, in every province of his dominion.

Disturbed by new Muslim advances in Syria, he led another crusade in 1267, at the age of 41. His crusade was diverted to Tunis for his brother's sake. The army was decimated by disease within a month, and Louis himself died on foreign soil at the age of 56. He was canonized 27 years later. Feast Day

August 25<sup>th</sup>

[www.franciscanmedia.org](http://www.franciscanmedia.org)

## REMEMBER

**FIND US ON  
FACEBOOK**

**4<sup>th</sup> September**  
Family Quiz Night

**4<sup>th</sup> September**  
Community Choir  
Resumes

**20<sup>th</sup> September**  
Good Shepherd  
resumes

**20<sup>th</sup> September**  
Organ Recital

**28<sup>th</sup> September**  
Day of Reflection

## St Joseph's Parish now Owes £81,000

- Repairs are needed to the church floor
- The hall needs to be completely rewired
- We would like to update the choir loft
- We need money to put aside for emergencies
- The Sacristy is in need of redecoration

### What does this have to do with you??

- St Joseph's is YOUR Parish
- Fr Michael is YOUR Parish Priest
- Without YOUR help the Parish could cease

### What Can You Do To Help?

JOIN US FOR:-

- Family Quiz and Shared Table on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (see poster at back of church)
- Organ recital, Wine & Cheese on September 20<sup>th</sup> (more information to follow)

### Pilgrimage to Rome 2020

There has been some interest shown in this united parish event – a perfect opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners and strengthen parish life!! St Wilfrid's and St Joseph's, OF and EF Mass attendees united through history and faith in the city of our fathers!! A mix of piety, history, sightseeing and lots of fun.

No date has been chosen yet as we need those interested to indicate their preferred month and the most popular will win: at the minute the preferred month is May.

The estimated cost at present is £600 - £700 per adult for 5 days on B&B basis, this includes flights, transfers and excursions.

## CMUK



Catholic Men UK, Uniting and encouraging Catholic men in the UK in their faith and in their duties to family life, parish life and public life.

**Next Meeting:** 17<sup>th</sup> August

### The Good Shepherd



Resumes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
All children aged 3-6 are welcome

### Community Choir

Resumes on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. New members are always welcome, no previous experience needed, just a love of singing and a sense of fun.

### **FOR YOUR DIARY**

Family Quiz and Shared Table  
6pm, on 4<sup>th</sup> September

Organ Recital and Cheese & Wine  
20<sup>th</sup> September  
- more information to follow.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially Pat Palmer, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley, Jeanette Brenkley, Eva Barnwell, Mona Richardson and Sheila Gibertson.**

**PeerTalk** peer support group for anyone facing depression or similar on Monday, 7pm at Bensham Grove Community Centre, Sidney Grove, Bensham, NE8 2XD. It's free, friendly and there's no need to book. PeerTalk is the natio

<http://www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/support-groups>

### Have An Idea for a Group?

Remember if you have an idea for a group or club and would like to give it a whirl just let Fr Michael know and we can air it here on the newsletter.

### Dementia Café Tuesdays at the Cathedral

We understand that transport can be difficult when you are with someone living with dementia. Therefore, we have secured funding to help cover the costs of a taxi to bring you to the Café and return you home safely.

### Vacancies

For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website <http://www.rcdhn.org.uk> or contact us on 0191 243 3301, email [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk)

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**PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS:** Fr Brown will take Holy Communion on Friday morning to Catholic residents of Fellingate Court.

PLEASE DO NOT STAND IN THE PORCH CHATTING BEFORE OR AFTER MASS. IT DISTURBS THOSE WANTING TO PRAY AND BLOCKS THE DOORWAY

**Tax payer? Gift Aid!!**



DIocese of Hexham & Newcastle  
LITURGY DEPARTMENT

## Serve the Lord with Gladness

### Day of Reflection for All Ministries

Ushaw College, Durham  
Saturday 28 September 2019  
10.30am - 3.30pm

Led by Fr Mark Millward  
Dean of the Benedict Partnership  
(n.b. this is a repeat of the day offered in May)

(Registration and refreshments from 9.45)  
Tea, Coffee and a light lunch will be provided

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

Please use the attached booking form to book through your Parish or contact the

## MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

| Day       | DATE                      | St Wilfrid's            | TIME    | St Joseph's  | TIME                    |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------|--|-------------------------|
| Saturday  | 24 <sup>th</sup>          | People of the Parish    | 5.00pm  |  |                         |
| Sunday    | 25 <sup>th</sup>          | Polish Mass             | 11.00am | Benefactors of the Parish<br>Intentions of A. Turnbull | 10.00am<br>Mid-Day (EF) |
| Monday    | 26 <sup>th</sup>          | George and Mona McGowan | 10.00   |  |                         |
| Tuesday   | 27 <sup>th</sup>          |                         |         | Bernardine Soy   | 12.05                   |
| Wednesday | 28 <sup>th</sup>          |                         |         | Edwin Soy  | 12.05                   |
| Thursday  | 29 <sup>th</sup>          |                         |         | Aidan Soy  | 10.00                   |
| Friday    | 30 <sup>th</sup>          | Priest's Intention      | 10.00   | Joseph Varghese  | 12.05                   |
| Saturday  | 31 <sup>st</sup>          | People of the Parish    | 5.00pm  | Intentions of A Turnbull                               | 11.00 (EF)              |
| Sunday    | September 1 <sup>st</sup> | Polish Mass             | 11.00am | People of the Parish<br>Intentions of Mary H           | 10.00 am<br>Midday (EF) |

*"EF" = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL*

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT 4.30-4.55PM SATURDAY AT ST WILFRID'S**

**CONFESSIONS:**

ST JOSEPH'S: WEDNESDAY AFTER MASS: SATURDAY 12-12.30PM

ST WILFRID'S: BEFORE SATURDAY MASS

COLLECTIONS: - ST JOSEPH'S    £509.99    MID-WEEK £ DONATION £109.75  
ST WILFRID'S £140.11 DONATIONS £35, BONUS BALL £74  
MANY THANKS