

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

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE REGISTERED CHARITY NO.1143450

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MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

	JAN		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	12	5.00pm	People of the Parish	3pm-8pm	<i>El Shaddai prayer group</i>
Sunday	13	11.00am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	10.00am 12 noon (EF)	Joan Curry and Denise Quinn Alfred Rutter
Monday	14	10.00am	NO MASS		
Tuesday	15			12.05pm	Joseph & Mary Dobson
Wednesday	16			12.05pm	NO MASS
Thursday	17			12.05pm	NO MASS
Friday	18	10.00am	NO MASS	12.05pm	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Saturday	19	5.00pm	People of the Parish	11.00am (EF) 3pm-8pm	NO MASS <i>El Shaddai prayer group</i>
Sunday	20	11.00am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	10.00am 12 noon (EF)	John Patrick Murphy Jean Ingram

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

CONFESSIONS: ST WILFRID'S BEFORE 5.00PM MASS SATURDAY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SATURDAYS 4.30-5.00PM @ ST WILFRID'S .

COLLECTIONS 06.01.19 St Joseph's Total £439.22 Midweek £25.80

St Wilfrid's Total £200.23

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Pat Palmer, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley, Jeanette Brenkley, Eva Barnwell, Mona Richardson, Mary Grieves and Sheila Gibertson.

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS: None this week.

THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD for 3-6 YEAR OLDS . Classes will resume on January 25th at 5pm. Contact Fr Brown or Peter Armstrong for more information.

READING GROUP. The next book is: *The Radiance of Her Face: A Triptych in Honour of Mary Immaculate* by Dom Xavier Perrin, abbot of Quarr. Available from Amazon for £10.50. Proposed date of next meeting January 28th at 7.30pm, all are welcome.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES. Jack Kilday, the parish youth co-ordinator, has been hard at work thinking up youth activities for the two parishes. You will find information on the notice board about proposed activities. Please sign up if you are interested.

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL. The annual collection for the work of the Society for the Protection of Unborn children will take place after Mass next weekend.

ST JOSEPH'S

JIM REID. Please remember in your prayers Jim Reid, who has died aged 72. Jim served at Sunday Mass for many years. His funeral is at Saltwell Crematorium at 1.45pm on Wednesday 23rd January. May he rest in peace.

ST WILFRID'S

PIETY STALL: Calendars and diaries are now half price: many other items including pocket crosses, medals and booklets have also been reduced

FACEBOOK PAGE If you are on Facebook why not join our page? It provides information on Mass times, events in the Parish and other items relevant to our Catholic Faith. Search for Our Lady and St. Wilfrid's R.C. Church Gateshead.

VACANCIES AT ST WILFRID'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL Foundation Governor: 2 Foundation Governors are required for the governing body of St Wilfrids RC Primary School.

The role is varied but some duties would be to monitor the curriculum, finance, personnel and premises to ensure that the school functions efficiently. If you are interested in either of the above positions please contact Mrs E Wright at stwilfridsrcprimaryschool.gov.uk or Tel: 0191 4771909

DIOCESE

VACANCY The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancy: Finance Assistant, Dept. for Finance, based at the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle – full-time, 3 year fixed term contract. Closing date: 21 January.

For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us (0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk)

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Feast of the Baptism of the Lord: Year C (OF)

Feast of the Holy Family (EF)

12th /13th January 2019

Saint Anthony of Egypt

(251 – 356)

The life of Anthony will remind many people of Saint Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, “Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor” (Mark 10:21b), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony’s life was spent in solitude. He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, he responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery of scattered cells. Again, like Francis, he had great fear of “stately buildings and well-laden tables.”

At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover. “The mule kicking over the altar” denied the divinity of Christ.

Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil—the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for “the book of nature” over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at age 105.

Feast Day 17th January

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