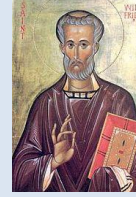




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*Today the 4th July is the Fourteenth Sunday of the Year B (OF)
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (EF)*

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	3 rd July	Priest's Intention	5.00pm		
Sunday	4 th July			People of the Parish Monica Tibaduiza	10.00am Mid-Day (EF)
Monday	5 th July	Holy Souls	10.00am		
Tuesday	6 th July			In Honour and Thanksgiving to St Joseph	10.00 (EF) 12.05
Wednesday	7 th July			Isabella Sanderson	12.05
Thursday	8 th July			Holy Souls Funeral Service for John Mains	7.45am 1.00pm
Friday	9 th July	Priest's Intentions	10.00am	Patrick Murray	12.05
Saturday	10 th July	Nicholas Porteous	5.00pm	Mary Wright & Jean McCormick	11.00am
Sunday	11 th July			People of the Parish Priest's Intentions	10.00am Midday (EF)

Please keep in your prayers all who are sick and those who have died recently or for whom anniversaries occur now.

If you would like a Mass said for your intentions please speak to canon Michael or drop a note into the presbytery.

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, First Communion, Confirmation, Becoming a Catholic, Annulments
If you have any questions about, or need to arrange any of the above please speak to Canon Michael

Confessions: -
before Mass on Saturday

St Wilfrid's

Piety
items are available at the back of church

St Joseph's

FIRST MASS – WELCOME FR LUKE

Congratulations to Fr Luke Wilkinson who was ordained a priest for the diocese on June 29th and who says Mass for us here today at St Joseph's.
Father will be available to give his first blessing after Mass.

STARTING TODAY Sung Evening vespers and
Benediction

Every First Sunday of the Month at 3pm
everybody is welcome, the more the merrier!



Confessions: Wednesdays after Mass;
Saturdays from 12-12.30

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Wednesday 11.00 – 12noon

Children's Books to Borrow

Please feel free to borrow some of the children's books, available at the back of church, to look at with your child/ren during Mass.

Once used please DO NOT put them back on the shelf but place in the box near the exiting side door, this is in order for us to be able to 'quarantine' it for 14 days to mitigate against the transmission of germs.

IMPORTANT THEFT ALERT!

Sadly a handbag was stolen from the back of church last week as the owner was receiving Holy Communion. The thief has been caught on CCTV and the police are following up on this crime, but the distress it has caused will take a long time to heal. Please do not leave anything valuable in your pew when you go to Communion.

Weekly Offertory Income 27th June 2021:-

Loose Plate Offertory:- £ 230.22

Gift Aid Envelopes:- £80

Peter's Pence:-£25 Candles:- £ 28.90

Many Thanks

Next Sunday, **11th July is Sea Sunday**, a day of pray for the work of Stella Maris, the Catholic charity supporting seafarers and their families in the UK and around the world. There will be a special collection next Sunday and we ask you to use the envelopes available for this, or text SEA to 70460 to donate £5, or give via the website:
www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate

Daily 'Touch Point' Cleaning

Our churches still require all touch points to be cleaned after every Mass, please wait in the church if you can help to clean and a steward or team leader will hand out cleaning equipment to you.

Covid is still with us!

Please continue to:-

sanitize your hands on entering and exiting church and prior to receiving Holy Communion,
maintain social distancing, preferably of two metres,
follow the one way system set out in church
wear a face mask throughout Mass.

The above are especially important if you remain unvaccinated as you are more likely than the vaccinated to transmit the virus

Please sit in the benches where the kneelers are down and there is a yellow sticker in front of you.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

FACE, SPACE, HANDS

Helpful Suggestions are Always Welcome

There are many people working, both behind the scenes and in full view, to ensure the atmosphere within our buildings is welcoming, secure and safe for all, especially during these most difficult of times. Helpful suggestions to enable our churches to remain open and covid secure whilst also maintaining the spiritual sanctity of the space are always welcome; however constant criticism is wearing and damaging for all concerned.

"The pleasure of criticizing takes away from us the pleasure of being moved by some very fine things." –
Jean de La Bruyère

Returning to a more vibrant Parish life

We are beginning to be able to think about returning to some form of normality, clubs and groups will soon be able to resume, if there are any leaders of activities who have thoughts about this and would like information to be put on the newsletter please email the parish office at:- gateshead.stjoseph@rcdhn.org.uk

If you would like to begin/set up a group or activity please email Canon Michael to run your idea past him.

Groups previously in place

Community Choir and Clarinet Group (over 18)

Youth Choir and Musicians (age 7-18)

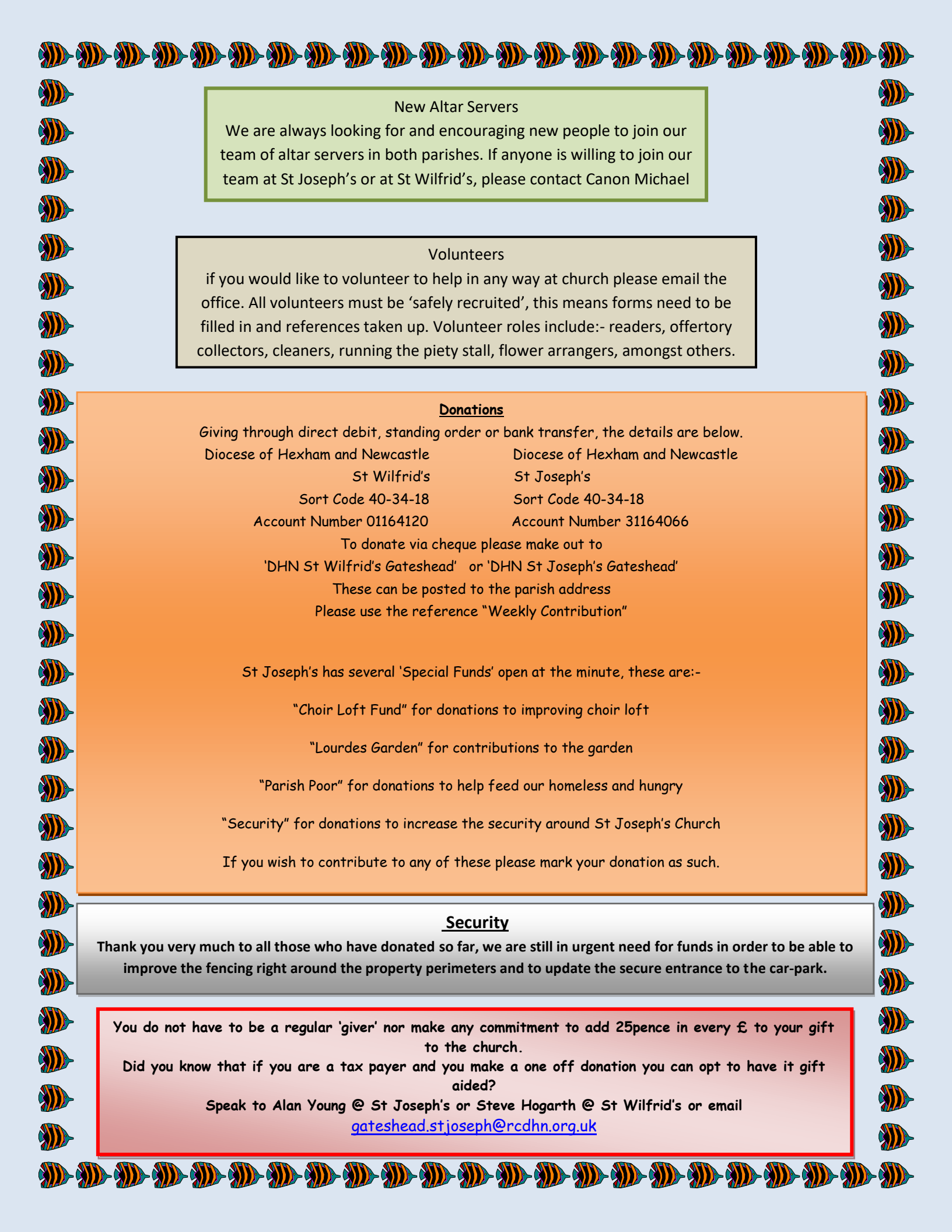
Young Catholic Sunday Lunch Club (age 18-30)

Book Club

Good Shepherd Classes (3-7yrs)

CMUK (Catholic Men UK)

Latin Mass Choir



New Altar Servers

We are always looking for and encouraging new people to join our team of altar servers in both parishes. If anyone is willing to join our team at St Joseph's or at St Wilfrid's, please contact Canon Michael

Volunteers

if you would like to volunteer to help in any way at church please email the office. All volunteers must be 'safely recruited', this means forms need to be filled in and references taken up. Volunteer roles include:- readers, offertory collectors, cleaners, running the piety stall, flower arrangers, amongst others.

Donations

Giving through direct debit, standing order or bank transfer, the details are below.

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

St Wilfrid's

Sort Code 40-34-18

Account Number 01164120

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

St Joseph's

Sort Code 40-34-18

Account Number 31164066

To donate via cheque please make out to

'DHN St Wilfrid's Gateshead' or 'DHN St Joseph's Gateshead'

These can be posted to the parish address

Please use the reference "Weekly Contribution"

St Joseph's has several 'Special Funds' open at the minute, these are:-

"Choir Loft Fund" for donations to improving choir loft

"Lourdes Garden" for contributions to the garden

"Parish Poor" for donations to help feed our homeless and hungry

"Security" for donations to increase the security around St Joseph's Church

If you wish to contribute to any of these please mark your donation as such.

Security

Thank you very much to all those who have donated so far, we are still in urgent need for funds in order to be able to improve the fencing right around the property perimeters and to update the secure entrance to the car-park.

You do not have to be a regular 'giver' nor make any commitment to add 25pence in every £ to your gift to the church.

Did you know that if you are a tax payer and you make a one off donation you can opt to have it gift aided?

Speak to Alan Young @ St Joseph's or Steve Hogarth @ St Wilfrid's or email

gateshead.stjoseph@rcdhn.org.uk

URGENT A Message from SPUC URGENT

Please, meet your MP to lobby against DIY abortion and assisted suicide. SPUC is holding a Mass lobby of MPs on **Friday 16 July or Saturday 17 July 2021**. We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP, at the MP's constituency office, on one of these dates. The DIY abortion policy is still in place, and there is a renewed threat of assisted suicide being legalised. Please ask your MP to lobby the Health Secretary to end DIY abortion. Please ask your MP to vote against assisted suicide. SPUC has produced dedicated briefings to help you lobby your MP. Please go to www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021

"Sing along Live Hymns Old and New"

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Village is hosting this event at Allensford on Sunday 15th August. There will be a BBQ, Quiz, sing-along, a day outdoors to reconnect with others. More details to follow soon.

Catholic Awards for Young People

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle offers our young people the opportunity to witness to their faith in their local and parish Communities by participating in **two award schemes**. Young people aged 10-18 years old (Year 6 - 13) can take part in the **Faith in Action Award** through their school, parish or organisation. The Faith in Action Award is accessible to, and inclusive of, all young people, regardless of academic ability. The **Pope St John Paul II Award** is a faith achievement award for young people between the age of 16 and 18. It is non-competitive, inclusive, flexible and voluntary. The Award enables participants to take an active part in the life of their Church – in the life of their community and society. It enables young people to become more aware of the teaching and role of the Catholic Church in the world and to engage at a deeper level with Christ. The Award was created to commemorate the late Pope Saint John Paul II who was so committed to young people and who had such belief and confidence in them. For further information speak to canon Michael.

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) 2021-2022

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith .

This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools.

The CCRS course programme is now available for 2021-2022 and there is a short presentation shown on the Diocesan website: www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses_ccrs.php

If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

Going into Hospital

If you are admitted into Hospital, it is important to ask ward staff to make a record of your Religion, they will not ask you as a matter of course, it is up to you to let them know especially if you would like a visit from the Catholic

Thank You

The Little Sisters of the Poor would like to thank everyone for supporting the recent Diocesan Church Collection in aid of St Joseph's Home (Newcastle). We are extremely grateful for the kindness shown to us. We ask God to bless and reward you and your families for all you have done to help us continue the work of Jeanne Jugan in caring for our elderly residents. Assuring you of our grateful prayers. Mother Deirdre and The Community.

Pope's Intention for the Month of July Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



"namaste' - "I see you and I recognize you are a temple of the living God." ([1 Corinthians 3:16](#)).

"CAFOD Hexham and Newcastle" are hiring

Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD and encourage support and partnership within the Church? CAFOD are looking for a Community Participation Coordinator to work in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Closing date, 11 July 2021. More information on CAFOD Careers (changeworknow.co.uk) Martin Brown, Community Participation Manager, North East:- tel. 07796 941 884

Diocesan Vacancy:

A vacancy has arisen for the appointment of a Communications and Marketing Officer based in Newcastle.

Closing date for applications is Tuesday 20th July