Saint Joseph's Catholic Church

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Our Lady & Saint Wilfrid's Catholic Church

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BETWEEN 9am & 5pm Monday to Friday

15^{th} Sunday in Ordinary Time (OF) 5^{th} Sunday after Pentecost (EF) 10^{th} July 2022

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	July 9 th	People of the parish	5.00pm		
Sunday	July 10 th			Nicholas Porteous	10.00am
				Intentions of Pat Turnbull	Midday
Monday	July I I th	Holy Souls	10.00am		
Tuesday	July 12 th			Intentions of Fr Peter O'Connell	12.05pm
Wed	July 13 th			Raymond Henderson	12.05pm
Thursday	July 14 th			Isobella Sanderson	7.45
Friday	July 15 th	Fr M Keoghan (NBF)	10.00am	Pat Lewis	12.05pm
Saturday	July 16 th	Priest's Intention	5.00pm	Thanksgiving for 15 th birthday of Daniela Lee	11.00am (EF)
Sunday	July 17 th			People of the Parish	10.00am
				Intentions of Nancy O'Sullivan	Midday

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

Confessions: - St Joseph's: Saturday 12-12.30 and Wednesday after Mass St Wilfrid's - before Mass on Saturday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 11 - 11.55

NO Benediction and Vespers UNTIL September African Mass 2.00pm LAST Sunday of the Month

St Joseph's is very short of volunteers for the mundane tasks of maintaining a clean, tidy, environment, both outside and inside the church.

If we had some more willing hands it would ease the burden on the few and ensure illness isn't always the barrier to a clean and tidy setting!!

Please give volunteering a thought!!

"Love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength and love your neighbour as yourself"

The Sunday road from Jerusalem to Jericho is about 17miles and a good highway; we can stop at the 'Good Samaritan Inn' for a rest and a drink. In Our Lord's day it was a dangerous journey, with thieves and robbers ready to ambush the lonely traveller.

The parable of the 'Good Samaritan' is one of the best known of all the parables yet often it is misunderstood and simplified. We need to remember it was inspired by two very important questions posed for Jesus: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" and "Who is my neighbour?"

For a Jew and especially for the Jewish lawyer, a neighbour is a fellow Jew, the Gentile is not my neighbour, nor is the Samaritan; Jews did not associate with Samaritans and Gentiles, if they had to journey from Judea to Galilee they would avoid going through Samaria if at all possible. The Jewish lawyer could not even bring himself to say the word Samaritan when asked, at the end of the parable, "Who proved to be the neighbour to the wounded traveller?", instead he says "The one who took pity on him". Jesus tells the Jewish lawyer – "copy him" – copy the unbeliever, the outsider.

So my neighbour is everyone I meet on my life's journey, regardless of race, religion, political beliefs, colour, sexual orientation, ALL I meet throughout my life are my neighbours and as such deserve to be treated with respect, mercy, compassion and dignity.

Sadly we are all tempted to pass by on the other side of the street: we notice someone rattling a collection tin and pretend we haven't noticed; we pass by a motorist in trouble because we are too busy, we see someone in distress and our first thought is "don't get involved"

Our Lord says the Priest and the Levite passed by: the Priest no doubt was on his way to offer sacrifice: but love comes before sacrifice. A Levite was a church worker or student; a member of the Legion of Mary, a sacristan, an altar server, a member of a bible or discussion group – all very good and noble services, BUT Jesus warns all of us to be very careful....... Even religion might get in the way of service to others:- "I'm sorry I must get to Mass", "I'm sorry I have a prayer meeting to attend". When Jesus sent His church into the world He said "Go teach all nations, take care of the sick, look after the needy", we must not become so involved in church affairs that we have no time for what the church is all about.... bringing Christ's compassion to those in need.

Religion is not just about worship and adoration it is also about the human values of pity, compassion and mercy, Jesus Christ came to show us the road to salvation and if we follow Him closely we will see His greatest commandment to love is not beyond our reach, it is so human it is written on our hearts: compassion and love is what having a human heart is all about.

Today we promise our Lord in Holy Communion to respond to all in need, we thank God for all the good Samaritans who work tirelessly in service of those most in need, for those people who 'go the extra mile' to serve.

There is also another, often overlooked, powerful message in this parable. You and I are the wounded man, we have been wounded by sin and the devil is the robber who waylays us. We need Jesus who is the Good Samaritan, we must allow Him to carry us to the inn; His church. Let Christ pour the oil of His sacraments on our wounds, the Good Samaritan heals us in the sacrament of confession and nourishes us in the Eucharist. Without Christ the Good Samaritan I lie wounded, alone and helpless on the road of life.



St Wilfrid's Summer Garden Party Save the date AUGUST 14th

We are planning a summer garden party with a shared table, teas/coffees and refreshments for all.

We are seeking tombola and raffle prizes for the event, please be as generous as you can be. Prizes may be left in the church porch or handed to Steven Hogarth.

Teas and Coffees are served in the John Ingram room after Mass on Saturday and in the hall after Mass on Tuesday, please come and join us, ALL are welcome

Book Club

We are reading 'The Monk', a novel by Matthew Lewis and will meet to discuss on Wednesday July 20th at 7.00pm all are welcome.

CMUK/St Joseph's Men

Meet on **Saturday** mornings at **7.00am** for Exposition, Bible reading and breakfast, **all are welcome** to **Exposition** and **all men are welcome to Bible and breakfast.**

New Parishioner and Updated Information

Please complete one of the forms available at Church and send back to us. If you want this form emailed to you, please let us know and then you can complete it on your own computer and email it back to us.

How can we make our church community more vibrant and welcoming? How can we encourage others to become members of our community? How can we support each other on our faith journey? If you have any ideas for groups or clubs or activities you would like to see set up or be part of please email the office.

Don't forget about the Mexican family fun afternoon coming up on September 11th – SAVE the DATE

BEGINNING in SEPTEMBER

The Good Shepherd catechesis programme

For children aged 3-7yrs proposed beginning Monday 12th September 4pm

Baptism and First Holy Communion preparation sessions

For any child over the age of 7 who would like to be baptised or received into the church and/or to make their first Holy Communion, beginning Wednesday 7th September at 4.15pm

Youth Choir

For children aged 8-13yrs, no experience necessary, just an interest in singing, date and time to be arranged

For all of the above parents MUST REGISTER their children BEFORE END of AUGUST.

Registration forms are available at the back of church or from the office and must be returned to the office.

Weekly Income for 3rd July 2022 St Joseph's Not Yet Available

St Wilfrid's Loose Plate: £195.50 Gift Aid: £41 candles: £9.20 piety:£15



This Weekend - Apostleship of the Sea Donations - Gift Aiders

Please take an envelope from the back of church, complete the declaration and enclose it with your donation

PARENTS

Please take responsibility for your children.
If they use the children's library please help them to return it to its tidy self, books upright on the shelves, chairs placed back ready for the next child etc.

If your child plays with the stones around the church please ensure he/she puts them back into the proper place and does not leave them strewn around the ground where they become a hazard and an eyesore!

Thank you for your co-operation

Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle

St Joseph's Home (LSP), Newcastle are looking for volunteers to help throughout the Home (e.g. helping with residents' activities, administration duties, fundraising and other various duties). If you are interested and would like to help, please contact Sister Evelyn or Mother Deirdre at St Joseph's Home on 0191 2731279 for further details.

Blessed John Ingram

50th Annual Walk takes place July 24th why not join in? John Ingram was martyred here in Gateshead and we have a plaque dedicated to him at the back of St Joseph's church where you will also find some leaflets about him. The piety stall sells cards and Rosary beads featuring Blessed John Ingram

The Catholic Herald, which is now a monthly magazine, is on sale in the porch at a cost of £5 July edition of Northern Cross also available at a cost of £1.50

Please take this Newsletter home with you so that you know what's happening in your parish this week

BOOK of REMEMBRANCE

If you would like to have the name of a deceased relative or friend placed in the book of remembrance please put the **name** and **death anniversary date** along with **a donation** into an envelope and hand it into the office or place on the collection plate.

Please submit new names for entry as soon as possible in order for the book to be updated soon.

Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer for any role at St Joseph's please fill in a volunteer form available from the office.

GREGG'S FOOD VOUCHERS

PLEASE consider buying some and handing into office in order that they can be distributed to the poor who come asking.

Thank you

Are You Being Called?

You might be thinking: "I've got this niggling feeling that Our Lord might be asking me to follow him by thinking of the priesthood. What can I do to find out?"

Visit the Diocesan webpage

Priesthood - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle

Mass of Thanksgiving for NHS Staff, Chaplains and Care Workers at 19:00 on Thursday 14th July, the Feast of St Camillus, at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle.

If you have anything you would like to be put in the newsletter please email or hand in to the office before mid-day on a Thursday.

Diocesan Vacancies

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact 0191 243 3301.