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Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership Gateshead

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Corpus Christi Sunday B (OF) 2nd After Pentecost (EF) June 2nd 2024

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	June 1 st	Kathleen Derrick	5.00pm		
Sunday	June 2 nd			People of the Parish Priest's Intention	10.00am Midday
Monday	June 3 rd	Intention of Jovita Udeh	10.00am		
Tuesday	June 4 th			Michael Kelly	12.05pm
Wed	June 5 th			No Mass	12.05pm
Thursday	June 6 th			No Mass	12.05pm
Friday	June 7 th	No Mass	10.00am		12.05pm
Saturday	June 8 th	Moira Rath	5.00pm	No Mass	11.00am (EF)
Sunday	June 9 th			AJ & Family Priest's Fallen of KOSB in WWII	10.00am Midday (EF)

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

NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament THIS Thursday 11-11.55am & Saturday 7.00am
NO Confessions: - St Joseph's: Saturday 12-12.30 and at St Wilfrid's - before Mass on Saturday evening

African Mass 2.00pm LAST Sunday of the Month

The SANCTUARY LIGHT

St Wilfrid's: None
St Joseph's: None

Pray for all those who are sick at this time or who have requested prayers including: James Foster. Verina Telford

Income 26th May 2024
 St Wilfrid's: - £167 Gift Aided- £67
 St Joseph's: - £300 Gift Aided - £112
Manv Thanks

Congratulations to Victor & Lais who are convalidating their civil marriage today at the 10.00am Mass

Today we celebrate the **Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ**. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be asked to renew their commitment to this role if they so wish.

First Holy Communion Preparation Classes take place as normal this week on Tuesday 4th June for Group 2 and Wednesday 5th June for Group 1. The classes will begin promptly at 5.00pm and run for an extra half hour until 6.30pm.

There will be no class on Tuesday 11th June as ALL candidates will be making their **first Confession** on **Wednesday 12th June**, beginning at 5pm with a special service.

First Holy Communions

We have 17 children from 5 different schools preparing to make their first Holy Communion on Saturday July 6th at 11.00am Mass. We hope to follow this with a shared table celebration in the hall. If you would like to contribute to the shared table and/or attend the Mass and celebrations please add your name to the list which will be available at the back of church soon, we need to have some idea of extra numbers attending.

First Holy Communion

If you have a child aged 7+ who would like to make his/her first Holy Communion please collect an application form from the office.

New classes will begin in September in the hopes of children being ready to receive this wonderful sacrament in time for Christmas.

We are hoping to restart **Sunday morning coffees** in the hall after 10.00am Mass, if you would be interested in attending or helping with this please sign your name on the sheet at the back of church and watch this space for further information.

Thank you to those who came along to **Thursday's celebration of Corpus Christi**, it was a great act of worship, witness and celebration. Thank you to all who contributed to the shared table event and particularly to **Katie** and **Paula** who cleaned up after everyone. It would be nice to see some of the men getting involved in the clearing and cleaning tasks instead of sitting around watching the women work.

Baptism Preparation Meeting at St Joseph's on Monday 17th June at 6.00pm for all the parents of children already registered to be baptised.

Baptisms

If you wish to have your child baptised please speak to Canon Michael and complete an application form available from the office.

BOOKCLUB – Monday 24th June @ 7pm

To discuss 'I, Julian' by Claire Gilbert, a biography of the medieval hermit and visionary Julian of Norwich. All welcome.

Choir Rehearsals

Will take place directly before each Mass.

If you wish to join one of our choirs please speak to:-

Mr. David Reid for 10.00am Mass Choir
Mr. Paul Dewhirst for 12.00pm Mass Choir
Mr. John Morris for 12.00pm Schola

Health & Safety and Safeguarding

In order to comply fully with guidelines in these areas we need to restrict the number of people who are accessing the Sacristy and presbytery rooms unnecessarily throughout the week and especially at weekends.

The **only people** who have **authorization to access the Sacristy** and downstairs rooms of the presbytery are:-

Sacristans: – When carrying out their duties and roles within the church to which they are assigned.

Catechists: - when needed to carry out duties in line with this role.

Altar Servers: - when preparing to serve at that day's Mass.

Welcomers/Offertory Collectors: - in order to fulfill their role only.

Cleaners: - in order to fulfill their role only.

Health & Safety Rep: - in fulfilling the role.

Safeguarding Rep: - in fulfilling the role.

Secretary: - in the course of duties

Anyone wishing to speak to Canon Michael or one of the above named people **MUST** wait outside of the Sacristy or come around to the outside office door.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

John Ingram Partnership News

Our parish is part of the John Ingram Partnership. Regular meetings are held with clergy and lay representatives to look at ways that the Catholic Community in our local area can work together and support each other.

At the May meeting we thanked Canon Patterson for his many years of service in the Partnership and wished him a long and happy retirement. We look forward to welcoming his successor. In this time of change for many of our parishes we encourage patience and understanding. Let us continue to support our priests and pray for them; and work hard to encourage and develop our faith communities.

There are many amazing projects helping others in our parishes. Our Partnership supports a project known as Joe's Place, which is currently in its 10th year. There are volunteers from nearly all of our parishes, and donations of food and other items are generously donated too. The Bishop will be visiting the project to mark its anniversary.

The Partnership Group will meet again in September. We hope to encourage more people to become active in their Parishes and to take an interest in developing our local community in the Gateshead area through the John Ingram Partnership.

The Annual John Ingram Walk from Newcastle to Gateshead takes place on the Sunday nearest to 26th July. Details will be in Parish newsletters for those interested in taking part.

Thank you to the Tuesday Club for their generous donation towards the purchasing of the new Lectionary.

Thank you to all those who have made generous donations towards the Parish debts at both St Joseph's and St Wilfrid's.

Please take this newsletter home with you or access it via the website, scan the QR code on the poster at the back of church, or access via www.stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org.uk

New Lectionary for Mass

On the 1st Sunday of Advent this year we will begin using a new lectionary, ie a different translation of the scriptures from that which we currently use. "The new Lectionary will use the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, biblical scholarship, and to provide a text for use in liturgical setting that is more 'proclaimable' and, where appropriate, more inclusive". Each parish has to purchase new sets of Lectionaries for the Lectern. Lectio

"The Ambo Edition" of the Lectionary costs £695 for four volumes and will be available in October. Each set comes with four stickers that can be inscribed with the names of those who donate to the new liturgical books on behalf of their parish or chapel. If there are four groups / people that wish to sponsor one of the four editions - £174 each – at either parish please speak to Canon Michael.

A Book of the Gospels will cost us an extra £275 but is not available until the middle of October and a Study Edition of the Lectionary is available at a cost of £250.

Please consider donating towards this unavoidable cost. Thank You.

Volunteers

REMEMBER: - If you wish to volunteer for anything at all within the parish you MUST fill in a volunteer form and wait until your references have been taken up BEFORE beginning to help out.

Currently we are looking for volunteers:-

- To wash & iron the altar linens
- Serve coffee after 10.00am Mass
- Clean the church on a Saturday morning

Volunteer application forms are available from the office. The Parish Priest reserves the right to refuse anyone a volunteering role if he feels there is good enough reason to do so.

Please check the list at the back of church, if your name does not appear on the list you have not been cleared to volunteer, please speak to Canon Michael.

Diocesan News and Information

Ignation Discernment Workshops

A series of online workshops looking at the principles and practice of Ignation Discernment are taking place on 11th June and 25th June. These meetings are open to young adults in their 20s and 30s. . In these workshops leaders will consider what Ignatian Spirituality teaches us about clarifying our choices, ways of listening to God's Spirit in our lives and discerning the way forward.

To register please email:

FCJCentreStHughs@gmail.com

Corpus Christi Procession On Sunday 2nd June

Ushaw will be hosting a Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Bishop Stephen Wright, and starting at 3pm in St Cuthbert's Chapel. Weather permitting; the procession will go through Ushaw's gardens, returning to the Chapel for Benediction. Teas and coffees will be available after the service. You do not need a ticket for this event, but please sign up at:- <https://ushaw.org/whats-on-atushaw/> to help Ushaw to estimate numbers.

Sunday 16th June has been designated as the Day for Life, by our Bishops of England Wales.

There will be a retiring collection for this on this day. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. This year it falls on 16 June. The theme is The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life. A debate on end-of-life issues has been in the headlines in recent months with calls for assisted suicide being expressed, especially by celebrities, a view that opposes the Catholic view that life is a gift and that we are called to care for others at the end of their lives. Day for Life is marked on the same day by the three Bishops' Conferences of England and Wales, Scotland, and Ireland. We hope that parishes will be able to prepare to promote the Catholic view of life as a gift and the importance of care at the end of life using the resources that will be issued by the Conferences in due course. More information is available on www.cbcew.org.uk

Refugee Week at St Mary's Cathedral

An event to welcome and celebrate refugees, asylum seekers and migrants to our Diocese at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on Tuesday 18th June at 6.30pm, celebrating the richness of our diocesan family by bringing together people of different nationalities who make their home here in the North East of England. Everyone is welcome to join in this celebration organized by the Vicariate for Caritas.

Significance Festival Weekend All are welcome to the Emmaus Village for the Significance Festival on Saturday 29th June from 10.00am. The day will offer a fayre of stalls and activities, sessions for children and young people, guest speakers and live music. Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright will take place at 3.15pm, followed by a Barbecue and Ceilidh in the evening. Entry is free with charges for accommodation and camping (self-catered) on Friday and Saturday nights. BBQ tickets will cost £10. All proceeds and any donations will support Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. To book email Nicole at nsalkeld@ymt.org or Tel. 01207 592244.