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*Feast of the Most Holy Trinity 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022*

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Intentions of Mary Brock	5.00pm		
Trinity Sunday	June 12 <sup>th</sup>			Priest's Intention People of the parish	10.00am Midday
Monday	June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Stanley Sosabowski	10.00am		
Tuesday	June 14 <sup>th</sup>			Stanley Sosabowski	12.05pm
Wed	June 15 <sup>th</sup>			George and Bernard Wright	12.05pm
Thursday Corpus Christi (EF)	June 16 <sup>th</sup>			Stanley Sosabowski	7.45 7.00pm (EF)
Friday	June 17 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS	10.00am	Requiem Patrick O'Brien	12.05pm
Saturday	June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Priest's Intentions	5.00pm	Jean Brown	11.00am (EF)
Sunday Corpus Christi	June 19 <sup>th</sup>			Alan Tapless People of the Parish	10.00am 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

Benediction and Vespers 3.00pm FIRST Sunday of the Month African Mass 2.00pm LAST Sunday of the Month

**Corpus Christi:** On Thursday this week the feast of Corpus Christi is celebrated in the Extraordinary Form. We will have a solemn high Mass at 7pm followed by a procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The celebrant will be Fr Thomas Mason of Gainford and Barnard Castle who is a member of the Ordinariate. Fr David Phillips of Whittingham and Wooler will be deacon. Music by the Westland singers. After Mass there will be a shared table in the Ingram Room. All welcome.

## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

While dining out, it's not uncommon to see a group of people pulling out their mobile phones as they sit down to share a meal around the table. Even as we socialize with family and friends, our electronic devices are close at hand, in case of need. I've even seen a group of college students taking photos of their meal and sharing it with the person sitting across the table!

Human beings are social creatures. We come into this world within the first community of our immediate family, and we grow and flourish in ever expanding communities at home, school and work.

And even as electronic devices have changed the way we experience social interactions, we cannot escape this basic fact of our human existence. We are essentially social beings who exist in community from beginning to end.

This Sunday, the church invites us to reflect on the divine community that exists in the very heart and life of God, who we praise as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is not a theological abstraction but a graced opportunity to contemplate the wondrous love of God who is a community of divine persons. This divine love of the Holy Trinity overflows into the world and into our lives.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit directs our gaze to a simple truth about who God is and who we are in relationship to God and one another. We believe in God who is a community of Father, Son and Holy Spirit and into whose life we are incorporated in baptism. We are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit and made members of the family of God!

The psalmist invites us to praise the goodness of the divine community of Father, Son and Holy Spirit as he gives thanks for the heavens, the moon and the stars, animals, birds and fish of the sea. These marvelous works of God, the divine artist, are crowned by the creation of man and woman, created from the beginning to exist in a community of love.

As the psalmist sings, "You have made him little less than the angels and crowned him with glory and honor." The author of Proverbs echoes the same song of praise to God for creating the heavens, the seas, all earth's creatures, and for finding "delight in the human race."

In the Gospel, Jesus promises the gift of the Spirit of truth who will guide the church in the truth that comes from God. Jesus is the face of the invisible God, his Father, and their divine love is poured out in the gift of the Holy Spirit on the church.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity recalls our baptismal incorporation into the divine community of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit that deepens every time we gather around the table of the Eucharist.

And we know this with the certainty of faith "because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us," as St. Paul tells the Romans. In the joy of belonging to the community of the Holy Trinity with faith we pray, "Speak to me, Lord."

Jem Sullivan

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** It is more than five years since our Ministers of Holy Communion were originally commissioned or re-commissioned. In previous years we have only ever renewed their Commitment. So next weekend, 18th/19th June, on the Feast of Corpus Christi, we will celebrate the Rite of Recommissioning of all our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at all Masses.

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

Bishop Robert will say Mass on Thursday 30th June 2022 at 12.05 pm at St Mary's Cathedral, to celebrate Bishop Seamus' 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. All are most welcome to attend.

**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.

At this time of the Church's year, we are asked to pray for A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights, Europe; Human Life; and Seafarers: Please pray for those we know who are unwell, as well as the many who have no one to pray for them; for those in hospital; for those still struggling with the COVID-19 pandemic; for all who have died recently, including Father Michael Keogh, retired: and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Certificate in Pastoral Ministry – starting in September 2022

Are you currently involved in Church ministry but wish you knew more about your faith? Do you sometimes lack confidence and feel you could benefit from further training and formation? Do you want to grow in your faith and ministry and perhaps find new ways to share your gifts with others? We have a course designed just for you. The Certificate in Pastoral Ministry is an online, two-year learning experience created with the busy person in mind. It will take you on a journey of discovery about key aspects of the Catholic faith while helping you to reflect upon your own ministry and the ministry of others.

To find out more join us online for one of our information evenings: Tuesday 14th June 2022 or Wednesday 22nd June 2022 from 7:30pm - 9:00pm. To register your interest for one of the information evenings or for further information please email [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).

#### **Children at Mass**

We welcome all children at Mass and wish to encourage parents to bring their children to guide them on their faith journey. Young children are by nature wrigglers and gigglers, they cannot stay completely still and quiet, to ask them to do this is asking them to do something unnatural and impossible. However, by setting them the example and expecting them to behave appropriately during

Mass they will slowly learn to control their movements and voices.

Please remember that a very wriggly or noisy child may be disturbing those around him/her and it is best to quietly remove the child to the porch area and explain why this has happened, most children will eventually wish to return to the pew as they hate to be excluded from exciting events.

#### **Volunteers**

If you would like to volunteer for any role at St Joseph's please fill in a volunteer form available from the office. The church is cleaned at 12.30 on a Friday and a Saturday, if you have some spare time and can help with this role please fill in a form.

#### **GREGG'S FOOD VOUCHERS**

There are a number of people coming to the presbytery door asking for money for food. We are discouraged from giving cash as this may be used to aid an addiction, but we are reluctant to turn people in need away empty handed. Please consider buying some Gregg's food vouchers and donating them to the parish in order that these can be given out to anyone coming to the door asking for money for food.

#### **Corpus Christi procession at Ushaw**

We have a coach going from St Joseph's. There are a few seats left. If you are interested in joining the coach please speak to Canon Michael TODAY.

Congratulations, to Meriel Anderson who has been appointed to the role of Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator/Head of Safeguarding. Meriel will start in post immediately. The Diocese is now advertising for a new Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor to replace Meriel. See the [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) for full details of the advert.

### Where Have They Gone?

Is there someone who was regularly at Church, but who no longer seems to be around? Is there someone you sat next to who isn't here at Church any longer? Or someone you were friendly with who is no longer at Mass? Have you tried to find out where they are? Sometimes people just stop coming and we do not seem to know why. Is it possible you have neglected to keep in touch with that person or family? At one time, the priest was always told if someone wasn't able to come to church, but this no longer happens. Let us try and find out who is missing and why; and if possible let us try to keep in touch with them. Let us try to work together and show the good side of our parish community.

### No one should be a stranger here

Many people are slowly coming back to church, and there are new faces amongst the congregation, have you welcomed them? A smile, and friendly wave or a brief chat outside after or before Mass is all it takes to make somebody feel at home and welcomed into a community, let us be the ones who encourage new friendships and a growing congregation.

Please remember to keep conversation to the porch or outside, once in church our thoughts and chat ought to be with the Lord and many people are seeking silence for prayer and contemplation.

If there are any children from St Wilfrid's or St Joseph's aged 7 years and over who are not yet baptised or have not yet made their first Holy Communion but would like to do so please contact Canon Michael as soon as possible. Thank You.

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

**Extraordinary Rite altar server training** is to be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 5.30pm, open to any male who would like to learn to serve at the Traditional Rite Mass.

### Book Club

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

The Catholic Herald, which is now a monthly magazine, is on sale in the porch at a cost of £5

There is an **extra collection** this weekend for the lay training fund. Please give as generously as you can.  
Thank you

### 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

A very big thank you to all who helped to make the jubilee **Garden Party** at St Wilfrid's such a huge success, and a special mention to Dexter Faeldo who provided some wonderful musical entertainment.

### 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.**

### Weekly Income for 5th June 2022

St Joseph's

Loose Plate Collection: £ 283

Gift Aid Envelopes: £110 Votive Candles: £17

Rental income: Room: £24 Donation: £20 Piety: £15

Flowers: £2.70

St Wilfrid's

Loose Plate: £136.90 Gift Aid: £67

Donation: £100 Candles:



**Day For Life Collection Sunday 19th June** The focus of the Day for Life this year is older persons. The COVID pandemic highlighted the desperate plight of many older people, especially those in care homes and those struggling with long-term chronic conditions such as dementia. They carried the highest burden which included prolonged isolation, the distress for families being unable to visit, delayed medical interventions and tragic, isolated, deaths followed by shortened, minimal, funeral rites. Many family members and friends continue to bear the wound of deep grief which hurts and is still in need of healing. "We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families, in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations." [Rt Revd John Sherrington, Bishop for Life Issues] The proceeds of the Day for Life collection to be held in parishes in England and Wales assists the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Church.