

**+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

	MARCH		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	10	5.00pm	People of the Parish		
Sunday	11			10.00am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon (EF) 4.00pm	Intentions of LMS Stations of the Cross
Monday	12	10.00am	Holy Souls		
Tuesday	13			12.05pm	Cecilia Nastimento
Wednesday	14			12.05pm	Brown & Henderson families
Thursday	15			12.05pm (EF)	D. m of Wright & Urwin families
Friday	16	10.00am	Holy Souls	12.05pm	Priest's Intention
Saturday	17			11.00am(EF)	A Turnbull
		5.00pm	People of the Parish	3pm-8pm	<i>El Shaddai prayer group</i>
Sunday	18			10.00am	Priest's Intention
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon (EF)	George and Elizabeth Wright.

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

CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 12NOON-12.30PM:
WEDNESDAY AFTER MASS. ST WILFRID'S BEFORE 5.00PM MASS SATURDAY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAY AFTER MASS UNTIL 1.30PM. 4.30PM-5PM ON SATURDAYS AT ST WILFRID'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAY 11.30AM

COLLECTIONS:04.03A.18 St Joseph's 10.00am £165.77 Midweek £35.82
12 noon £147.47
Total £313.24

St Wilfrid's: £157.80. Many thanks.

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Pat Palmer, Joe Beck, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley, Margaret Moore and Jeanette Brenkley

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS Fr Brown will take Holy Communion on Friday morning to Catholics in Marigold Court

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY St Wilfrid's 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper: Joint Mass of English and Polish communities. Watching until 10pm.

GOOD FRIDAY St Joseph's. 11am Stations of the Cross
3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

St Wilfrid's 6pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Polish)

HOLY SATURDAY St Joseph's: Confessions 12-12.30pm

Easter Vigil Mass 6pm

St Wilfrid's Easter Vigil Mass 7pm (Polish)

EASTER SUNDAY

St Wilfrid's Mass 9.30am

ST JOSEPH'S

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE. Many thanks to Raj who had taken on this role recently but now finds he can no longer carry on because of other commitments. So we are looking for a parish safeguarding rep. again. If anyone thinks they would like to help the parish by taking on this important role then please see Fr Brown. .

COMMUNITY CHOIR In response to the suggestion that we try to start some parish activities, Theresa Dewhirst has offered to start a choir for anyone who may be interested. This is not primarily for singing in church but just to bring people together to sing a wide variety of music. Anyone interested please sign the notice on the parish noticeboard.

PASSIONTIDE MUSIC AND WORDS. The Westland singers will be leading a meditation of words and music on the theme of the passion of Christ at St Joseph's on March 20th at 7pm. A good preparation for Holy Week.

OASIS AQUILA is a local Christian charity which works to support the homeless. Abbi Scott from the organisation will be talking to us about their work at the end of Mass on March 18th.

OFSTED REPORT: The school recently had an inspection. This is the message sent out by Mr Hattam, the head: 'We are delighted to have been graded 'Good' under this most rigorous of inspection frameworks. As you will read, the report highlights the many strengths of our school.'

Thank you for your continued support as we strive each day to provide the best possible opportunities for your children.'

ST.WILFRID'S.

PIETY STALL; We have beautifully illustrated Stations of The Cross booklets priced at £1. It is always a lovely devotion to recite at this time of year. We also have new Crosses available as well as Easter Cards and other new items.

DIOCESE

LENTEN TALKS: David The King A series of talks by Bishop Robert Barron on DVD in which he helps us to understand the pivotal role of King David in the light of the first king (Adam) and the King of Kings (Jesus Christ). St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Felling Wednesday evenings from 18.30 - 20.00 commencing Wednesday, 21st February, 2018.

ANNUAL MEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM will this year take place on Friday and Saturday the 29th & 30th of June and Sunday the 1st of July. The cost which includes coach travel, bed breakfast and evening meals plus a traditional Sunday lunch before our return home is £150. A deposit of £50 to secure a place. For details contact. John Ross Tel 0191 4404391. John Robertson Tel 0191 4877790

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Bl. John Ingram Partnership

4th Sunday of Lent :Year B (OF)

4th Sunday of Lent (EF)

10th/11th March 2018

Saint Leander of Seville

(c. 534 – March 13, 600 or 601)

The next time you recite the Nicene Creed at Mass, think of today's saint. For it was Leander of Seville who, as bishop, introduced the practice in the sixth century. He saw it as a way to help reinforce the faith of his people and as an antidote against the heresy of Arianism, which denied the divinity of Christ. By the end of his life, Leander had helped Christianity flourish in Spain at a time of political and religious upheaval.

Leander's own family was heavily influenced by Arianism, but he himself grew up to be a fervent Christian. He entered a monastery as a young man and spent three years in prayer and study. At the end of that tranquil period he was made a bishop. For the rest of his life he worked strenuously to fight against heresy. The death of the anti-Christian king in 586 helped Leander's cause. He and the new king worked hand in hand to restore orthodoxy and a renewed sense of morality. Leander succeeded in persuading many Arian bishops to change their loyalties.

Leander died around 600. In Spain, he is honored as a Doctor of the Church.

Feast Day: 13th March

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