

Weekly Newsletter St Joseph's and St Wilfrid's

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Week Commencing 24th March 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

The Annunciation

Sometimes spiritual writers are accused of putting Mary on a pedestal and thereby, discouraging ordinary humans from imitating her. Perhaps such an observation is misguided. God did put Mary on a pedestal and has put all human beings on a pedestal. We have scarcely begun to realize the magnificence of divine grace, the wonder of God's freely given love. The marvel of Mary—even in the midst of her very ordinary life—is God's shout to us to wake up to the marvellous creatures that we all are by divine design.

Feast Day March 25th



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REMEMBER

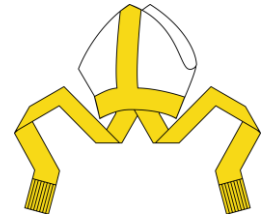
24th March 4.30
Solemn
Vespers with
Bishop Byrne

25th March 7pm
Mass for the
Feast of
Annunciation

27th March 10am
Community
Choir

29th March 5pm
Good
Shepherd for
ages 3-6yrs

31st March 5pm
Altar Server
Training and
Social



Services for Bishop Robert's Installation (all held at St Mary's Cathedral)

Sunday 24th March -
4.30 pm Solemn
Vespers

Everybody in the
Diocese is invited to
attend.

Monday 25th March
- 12 noon Episcopal
Installation Mass
Entry by invitation
only.

Tuesday 26th March
- 2.00 pm Diocesan
Schools Event

Diocesan schools will
welcome Bishop Byrne

SAFEGUARDING

There are still a number of people who have yet to return any paperwork to our safeguarding representative. If you were given forms to fill in PLEASE do so and return them ASAP and definitely BEFORE you are able to undertake your role.

If in doubt check the updated list at the back of church, if your name does not appear there you **CANNOT** begin/continue in **ANY** voluntary role.

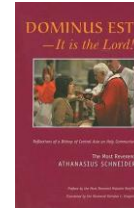
YOUNG TRADITIONALISTS
ARE YOU AGED 18-35?
DO YOU ENJOY THE TRADITIONAL MASS?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO MEET AND SOCIALISE
WITH LIKE MINDED PEOPLE?
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN DEVELOPING
YOUR FAITH?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF THIS NEW
GROUP HERE AT ST JOSEPH'S?



PUT YOUR NAME ON THE LIST AT THE
BACK OF CHURCH AND WATCH THIS
SPACE.

Book Club

We are currently reading



Dominus Est
by Most Reverend Schneider

And we will gather together on
the 1st April at 7.30 to air our
views, thoughts and opinions.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

CMUK



Catholic Men UK, Uniting and encouraging Catholic men in
the UK in their faith and in their duties to family life, parish life and public life.

Next Meeting: April 20th 8.00am Breakfast and Bible Study

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Thank you to all who turned up on 10th March for our training
and social evening, it was a great success.

Our next event will be a continuation of Altar Server training
followed by a social on Sunday March 31st at 5.00pm



The Good Shepherd

Friday 29th March 5pm All children aged 3+ are
welcome in our Atrium for this beautiful Catechesis

Red Box Mission Appeal.

We welcome Fr Frank
Graham to all Masses on
the weekend of March 31st
as he makes an appeal for
this worthy cause.

Singers Welcome

We have a small group of
singers who help to lead
the music at our 10a.m
Mass, and who will be
leading the music in our
Holy Week Liturgies. We
are always eager to
welcome more people to
help with singing. If you
are interested, we will
meet in the sacristy at
9.30a.m on Sunday 31st
March to run through the
music for the Mass.

We hope to arrange a date
to practise the music for
Holy Week, and the Easter
Vigil.

Stations of The Cross. These will take place at St Joseph`s on Fridays at
11.30 and at St Wilfrid`s before weekday Mass



SICK COMMUNIONS: Fr Brown will take Holy Communion to housebound parishioners in the Sunderland Road area on Friday morning

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Pat Palmer, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley, Jeanette Brenkley, Eva Barnwell, Mona Richardson, Mary Grieves and Sheila Gibertson.

ST WILFRID'S

PIETY STALL opens at all Masses. Easter Cards are now available. We also have Stations of The Cross Booklets: as we are entering the season of Lent they are lovely source of meditation.

BONUS BALL numbers are still available: please see Richard at the back of Church. This provides good income for our parish.

Mrs Wright will retire as head teacher of St Wilfrid's at the end of the summer term. We wish her a long and happy retirement and thank her for all she has done for St Wilfrid's. Please pray that we find a worthy replacement.



Service of Forgiveness

You are invited to a Service focusing on the forgiving nature of God and his call for us to be forgiving of one another in St. Patrick's Church, Felling on Sunday, 31st March at 16.00. Those attending are invited to bring with them a newspaper cutting or a printout from the web of some aspect of life today that they find it hard to be forgiving of. These will be placed on a cairn before the crucified Lord. Sacramental confession will be available during the following week in St. Alban's Church, Pelaw following the 10.00 Mass on Friday, 5th April until 11.30 and in St. Patrick's Church, Felling following the 10.00 Mass on Saturday, 6th April until 11.30. On both occasions the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for private adoration.

APPEAL

We have a choir loft at St Joseph's which is in desperate need of repair and upgrading. It would be fantastic to see this abandoned area of our church restored to its former glory and once again allow choirs, if they would like, to sing from the highest to The Highest. Has anyone any ideas, skills, advice, information HELP they can offer to set this project in motion? We would need a group to set about fund raising, someone to explore the legal requirements/restrictions on a building such as ours, an architect to guide procedures and builders, plasterers, painters, carpenters to make our dream a reality!! Please speak to Fr Brown if you can help in any way or have anything to say about this appeal. Thank you

Days of Reflection for All Ministries – Saturday 4th May at Ushaw College Durham or Saturday 15th June at St Joseph's Hall Gateshead for further information please see the notice board.

Diocesan Vacancies: The Diocesan Department for Education welcomes applications from persons willing to be considered as lay or non-lay members of appeal panels for school admissions. Suitable persons will be appointed to serve on panels hearing appeals for Catholic schools within The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle.

For more information please read the poster on the notice board.

The closing date for applications is **Thursday 18 April 2019.**

Application forms can be obtained from our Diocesan website www.edurcdhn.org.uk by emailing education@diocesehn.org.uk or by phone on 0191 2433313

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	DATE	St Wilfrid's	TIME	St Joseph's	TIME
Saturday	23rd	Shirley and Cresswell Smith`s Golden Wedding Anniversary	5.00pm	Intentions of LMS <i>El Shaddai</i>	11.00 am 3-8pm
Sunday	24th	Polish Mass	11.00am	Elsie and George Dalton People of the Parish	10.00 am Mid-Day (EF) sung Mass
Monday	25th	No Mass today		Feast Of Annunciation For all unborn babies	7.00pm (EF)
Tuesday	26th			Deceased Members of the Tuesday Club	12.05
Wednesday	27th			Fr James Doherty	12.05
Thursday	28th			Funeral Betty Huthart	12.05 12.45
Friday	29th	Holy Souls (Rose)	10.00am	Priest's Intention	12.05
Saturday	30th		5.00pm	E. McCallum <i>El Shaddai</i>	11.00am 3pm-8pm
Sunday	31 st	Polish Mass	11..00am	Special Intention (MD)	10.00am Mid-Day (EF)



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

CONFESSIONS:

ST JOSEPH'S: AFTER MASS ON WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY 12-12.30

ST WILFRID'S: BEFORE 5.00PM MASS SATURDAY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ST WILFRID'S:-SATURDAY: 4.30-5.00PM ST JOSEPH'S:-THURSDAY AFTER MASS UNTIL 1.30PM

COLLECTIONS: - ST JOSEPH'S £419.26 MIDWEEK £77

ST WILFRID'S £167.03

MANY THANKS