Saint Joseph's Catholic Church High West Street Gateshead NE8 ILX



Our Lady & Saint Wilfrid's Catholic Church Sunderland Road NE8 3QR

Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership Gateshead

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Good Shepherd Sunday(OF) Third Sunday after Easter (EF) 8th May 2022

| Day      | Date                     | Saint Wilfrid's           | Time    | Saint Joseph's                        | Time              |
|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Saturday | May 7 <sup>th</sup>      | Patricia Cowens<br>(NBF)  | 5.00pm  | El Shaddai                            | 1.00pm            |
| Sunday   | May 8 <sup>th</sup>      |                           | •       | People of the Parish                  | 10.00am           |
|          |                          |                           |         | Nick Murray                           | Midday            |
| Monday   | May 9 <sup>th</sup>      | George and Mary<br>Wright | 10.00am |                                       |                   |
| Tuesday  | May<br>I O <sup>th</sup> |                           |         | Service of Word and Holy<br>Communion | 12.05pm           |
| Wed      | May<br>II <sup>th</sup>  |                           |         | NO MASS                               | 12.05pm           |
| Thursday | May<br>I 2 <sup>th</sup> |                           |         | NO MASS                               | 7.45am            |
| Friday   | May<br>13 <sup>th</sup>  | NO MASS                   | 10.00am | NO MASS                               | 12.05pm           |
| Saturday | May<br>I 4 <sup>th</sup> | Priest's Intentions       | 5.00pm  | Jean McCormick                        | 11.00am<br>(EF)   |
| Sunday   | May<br>15 <sup>th</sup>  |                           |         | People of the parish                  | 1.00pm<br>10.00am |
|          | 1.5                      |                           |         | Lucy Arevallo                         | Midday            |

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

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

Confessions: - St Joseph's: Saturday ONLY this Week from 12-12.30

St Wilfrid's - before Mass on Saturday

NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week

Benediction and Vespers 3.00pm EVERY FIRST Sunday of the Month

ROSARY AND PROCESSION

SUNDAY 8TH MAY AT 3.00PM IN THE GARDENS OF

OUR LADY AND ST WILFRID'S

COME AND JOIN US

PLEASE BRING ALONG SOME REFRESHMENTS TO SHARE

#### SPUC – Protecting Life

Join us in St Joseph's Hall at **7.00pm on Wednesday** I I<sup>th</sup> May

Come and hear the pro-life message For more information please pick up a leaflet from the back of church or see notice board

## **Tuesday Club**

Meets every Tuesday in the hall after Mass, EVERYONE is WELCOME – we serve coffee/tea and nibbles, have a chat and a laugh and raise funds for the church flowers, come along and join us – you never know until you try!!

#### Book Club

Is open to ALL Next meeting TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> June 7.00pm in John Ingram Room

To discuss the book "The Shattering of Loneliness" by Erik Varden

## FAMILY FUNDRAISING PARISH EVENT

Watch this space for further details of an exciting fun filled parish event with a Mexican flavour.

## **Altar Servers Training**

Training sessions are being arranged for ALL Servers and ANYONE wanting to become a Server.

**Requirements for ALL Servers**: - punctuality, decorum, humility, willing to learn, prayerful, respectful, helpful, cheerful, gentle, polite, obedient.

**To Serve at the Ordinary Form Mass** you need to be: at least 7 years old, have made (or be preparing for) First Holy Communion, can be male or female. Please speak to Canon Michael or Peter Armstrong if you are interested in becoming a server for the Ordinary Form (10.00am) Mass.

## To Serve at the Extra-ordinary Form/Latin Mass you must be:

Male, have made your First Holy Communion and be willing to learn some basic Latin. Please speak to Canon Michael if you are interested at serving the Latin (12.00) Mass.

Watch this space for further information regarding training sessions.

## OPEN PARISH MEETING Thank you to all who attended this meeting.

those preparing for their First Holy Communion; the

## **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.

The **Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association** is restarting after the pandemic closure in the church hall of St.Cuthbert's, North Shields. Our first meeting at the new venue will be on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm** for a talk by Father Chris Hughes entitled "Can Theology Be Practical? Encouraging Reflective Discipleship". All welcome.

## St Joseph's Library

We now have a few DVDs for you to borrow, please remember to sign items out and back in again on their return.

The location of the library has changed; it is now at the back of the church rather than in the porch.

## YOUR Church NEEDS YOU!

We are looking to welcome and recruit people among our community who may be able to take up a role and commit some of their time in a way that fits around their own lives and responsibilities.

Some of the roles require DBS clearance;

all roles require two references.

Listed below are some of the roles we are hoping to fill:-

- Weekly cleaning of candle stands
- Weekly laundering and ironing
- Reading at Mass
- General maintenance of church environs:weeding, clearing rubbish from front garden and car park etc
- Church cleaners

If you are interested in participating in any of the activities listed or would like further information please contact the Office: -<u>shaunadevitt@tiscali.co.uk</u>

# Who will answer the call?

Paul and Barnabas were urgent in preaching the gospel, according to Luke's narrative in the Acts of the Apostles. They disregarded every attempt by their critics to stop them. Threats were ignored, and

Youth Choir beginning September. Do you like to sing? Want to perform for family and friends? Aged 8-12yrs? Register your interest in the office today.

vocations play an active part in handing on the faith. All Christians believe that God is love and goodness. But love and goodness need to be communicated to others, "in season and out of season."

The Holy Spirit inspired evangelical zeal in the early Church, making them eager to share their faith with others. When the first missionaries passed from the scene, there was no scarcity of others to take their place. It was this willingness to take an active part that kept the church alive and spreading. We admire the missionary zeal of the early Church, when missionaries spread abroad the ideals of loving God and living together in harmony and peace. But the question is who will answer that kind of calling, today?

Most vocations to a life of service are first nurtured within the family. The French Jesuit, scientist and philosopher, Teilhard de Chardin, once said, "It was in my family that I became who I am. Most of my opinions, of my likes and dislikes, of my values and judgments, my behaviour, my tastes, were moulded by the family I came from." Parents remain the first and most important teachers of the faith, and of ideals. In fulfilling this role they should try to make daily prayer a natural part of life within the home. By so doing, they may sow the seeds of those vocations which will serve the spiritual needs of the next generation.

Church leaders need to think soberly about the structures that can help foster genuine vocations to ministry in the future. It may well be that celibacy needs to be made optional for priesthood, so that all local communities can be provided with Mass and the sacraments. Vocation to ministry must be seen in the context of viable spirituality here and now, the spiritual values and aspirations of the community which is to be served.

Just as Christ called some to be his evangelists, so he calls you and me into his service. What I do, how I live as his follower, concerns others too. On this special Sunday, we ask God's blessing, that volunteers will feel drawn to continue Christ's work. His wish for his disciples was quite explicit, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest, to send labourers to his harvest" (Mt 9:37).



**Good Shepherd** children's Catechises group will begin again in September; this is for children aged three to seven years. Please register your child in the office now as spaces are limited.

Don't forget to look at the Parish website <u>St Joseph's Catholic Church, Gateshead Official Website (stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org.uk)</u>

Weekly Income for 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 St Joseph's Loose Plate Collection: £330 Gift Aid Envelopes: £100 Votive Candles: £30.02 Rental income: Room: £24 Car-park - £30 Flowers: £10 NBF: £10 Papers: £7 Piety:- £15

> St Wilfrid's Loose Plate: £189.60 Gift Aid: £47



#### **Northern Brethren Fund**

This collection remains open, if you would like to donate please place your donation in an envelope and mark it 'NBF' and put it on the collection plate.

## Gift Aid

For those members of the Gift Aid Scheme and have not yet received their 2022-2023 envelopes. If they will see me, Alan Young at the 10:00 Mass, or Shauna Devitt at the 12:00 Mass, we will provide you with them.

To all who have contributed during the last tax year, on behalf of the Parish, I would like to thank you for your generosity. The additional payments are most needed during these hard times.

It's not too late to join the Gift Aid Scheme. If you are a UK Tax Payer the Parish can claim back 25p for every  $\pounds I$  you put in the offertory collection. Application forms are available from Shauna or myself.

## SVP

Would you be interested in helping to set up and be actively involved in an SVP group in our parish? Please speak to Canon Michael.

Please don't forget to read the notice boards at the back of church for additional information and events , the newsletter can only carry so much information, it is important that you avail yourselves of all the other avenues for finding out about Parish and Diocesan news and events.

If you have anything you would like to be included in the newsletter please email <u>shaunadevitt@tiscali.co.uk</u> by Thursday 5pm

#### AROUND OUR DIOCESE, AND FURTHER AFIELD

Holy Island Vinnie Camp 2022 - Volunteers Needed Urgently Holy Island Camp will be running holidays for children in 2022, we urgently need new volunteers please visit our website: https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island/about-

<u>camp</u>

Holy Island Camp Social Ceilidh - Calling Existing and New Camp Volunteers and Friends Holy island Vinnies Camp will be holding a free social/ Ceilidh Saturday 28th May 7:30pm - 11:30pm (Bar open). Blackfriars @The Ouseburn All welcome. Please email: BarbaraT@svp.org.uk for tickets as numbers are limited.

Mass of Thanksgiving said by Bishop Byrne 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.

**JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT** in Newcastle provides basic food and toiletries to nearly 400 asylum seeker individuals and families every month.

Stella Maris Day of Prayer & Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on Saturday 4<sup>TH</sup> June 2022 safe crossing times 9:10am - 17.05pm

Job Vacancies there are several vacancies advertised on the Diocesan website Job Vacancies - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle (diocesehn.org.uk)

Interreligious Programme <u>Sion Centre Summer</u> 2022 Programme - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle (diocesehn.org.uk)

**"Encountering the Son"** the Diocesan Vicariate for Faith and Mission has produced the 'Encountering the Son' booklet, which is the second of a series of three booklets to accompany the Year of the Eucharist and our Diocesan Synodal reflection. The booklet is available on the Diocesan website <u>https://diocesehn.org.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2022/03/Year-of -the-Eucharist-Encountering-the-Son-reflection-booklet.pdf</u>

#### Vacancies

**Diocesan Property Surveyor** – Full-time, fixed term contract – 2 years. Flexible working is available. Closing date for applications: 12 May 2022

Hexham, St Mary Parish Secretary – 20 hours a week Closing date for applications: 18 May 2022 Please visit www.diocesehn.org.ukfor full details or contact us 0191 243 3301