

+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

	MAY		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	21	6pm	Private Intention		
Sunday	22			10.00am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon	Duncan MacDonald
Monday	23	10.00am	Margaret Iveson		
Tuesday	24			12.05pm	Brown & Henderson families
Wednesday	25			10.30am	School Mass
				12.05pm	Evelyn Ross
Thursday	26			12.05pm	Mary Ellen Sidaway
				7.00pm (EF)	Fr Peter Hill
Friday	27	10.00am	James & Mary May Coxon	12.05 pm	Laurence William Burton
Saturday	28			11.00am (EF)	Joseph Poland
		6.00pm	Quinn & Wake families		
Sunday	29			10.00am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon (EF)	Priest's Intention
				2.00pm	African Mass

CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S Confessions after 12.05 Mass on Wednesday and Saturday 12 noon-12.30pm ST WILFRID'S before 6.00pm Mass Saturday

THE ROSARY is recited before Mass on Tuesday and Friday in Saint Joseph's

NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS WEEK

COLLECTIONS:08.05.16 St Joseph's 10.00am: £314.28 12.00 noon £195.86

Total £510.09

St Wilfrid's. £125. Donation £100

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and especially John Harrison, Pat Palmer, Joe Beck and Betty Walker,.

CORPUS CHRISTI. There will be a Solemn High Mass St Joseph's in the Extraordinary Form followed by a procession and Benediction on the traditional day for the feast which will be 26th May. Music by the Westland Singers. Mass starts at 7pm.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION are invited to renew their commitment at Mass next weekend.

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS. Fr Brown will take Holy Communion this Thursday morning to housebound parishioners in Fellington care ho

GATESHEAD HOMELESS PROJECT (JOE'S PLACE) Joe's Place project offers hot snacks, tea and coffee to those who are either homeless, on low or no income or live with substance addiction. Open every Wednesday 10am-1pm in. St. Joseph's church hall. The project needs food donations, if you can help there is a container at the back of church

ASYLUM SEEKERS Please remember that we collect tinned food for those who live in great need in our own area. There is a box at the back of St. Joseph's under the table near the side porch for anything you can give

GOING INTO HOSPITAL IN NEWCASTLE? If you know you are to have a stay in the RVI or Freeman hospital please try and let the Catholic Chaplain know before you go in to hospital so that Holy Communion can be arranged for you on a Sunday and your spiritual needs are attended to during your stay (it is helpful if you are able to tell us the ward you will be on). If you happen to forget, don't worry; just ask your ward to contact the Roman Catholic Chaplain. The Catholic Chaplain can be contacted at: St Andrew's Newcastle Upon Tyne ☐ 0191 232 1892

**Parishes of Saint Joseph & Saint Wilfrid
Gateshead
Feast of the Most Holy Trinity: Year C (OF)
Feast of the Most Holy Trinity (EF)
21st/ 22nd May 2016**

St. Bede the Venerable
(672?-735)

Bede is one of the few saints honoured as such even during his lifetime. His writings were filled with such faith and learning that even while he was still alive, a Church council ordered them to be read publicly in the churches. At an early age Bede was entrusted to the care of the abbot of the Monastery of St. Paul, Jarrow. The happy combination of genius and the instruction of scholarly, saintly monks produced a saint and an extraordinary scholar, perhaps the most outstanding one of his day. He was deeply versed in all the sciences of his times: natural philosophy, the philosophical principles of Aristotle, astronomy, arithmetic, grammar, ecclesiastical history, the lives of the saints and, especially, Holy Scripture. From the time of his ordination to the priesthood at 30 (he had been ordained deacon at 19) till his death, he was ever occupied with learning, writing and teaching. Besides the many books that he copied, he composed 45 of his own, including 30 commentaries on books of the Bible.

Although eagerly sought by kings and other notables, even Pope Sergius, Bede managed to remain in his own monastery till his death. Only once did he leave for a few months in order to teach in the school of the archbishop of York. Bede died in 735 praying his favourite prayer: “Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As in the beginning, so now, and forever.” His *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* is commonly regarded as of decisive importance in the art and science of writing history. A unique era was coming to an end at the time of Bede’s death: It had fulfilled its purpose of preparing Western Christianity to assimilate the non-Roman barbarian North. Bede recognized the opening to a new day in the life of the Church even as it was happening.