Saint Joseph's Catholic Church

High West Street Gateshead NF8 II X



Our Lady & Saint Wilfrid's Catholic Church

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Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership Gateshead

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Feast of Christ the King (OF) Last Sunday After Pentecost (EF) 20th November 2022

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	Nov 19 th	Bell & Cantwell Families	5.00pm		
Sunday	Nov 20 th			People of the Parish	10.00am
				Priest's Intention	Midday (EF)
Monday	Nov 21st	Mona and George McGowan	10.00am		
Tuesday	Nov 22 nd			Mary Elizabeth mcFarlane	12.05pm
Wed	Nov 23 rd			Leighanne Lumsley (birthday)	12.05pm
Thursday	Nov 24 th			Holy Souls	12.05pm
Friday	Nov 25 th	Special Intention (B.D)	10.00am	Jade Donahue	12.05pm
Saturday	Nov 26 th	Priest's Intentions	5.00pm	Intentions of LMS	11.00am (EF)
Sunday	Nov 27 th			People of the Parish	10.00am
				Intention of Elizabeth Wright	Midday (EF)
	(African Mass	2.00pm

"E F" = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 11-11.55am & Saturday 7.00am Confessions: - St Joseph's: Saturday 12-12.30 and Wednesday after Mass St Wilfrid's - before Mass on Saturday

Benediction and Vespers on the first Sunday of each month African Mass 2.00pm LAST Sunday of the Month

Communion for the Sick and Housebound

Do you know of anyone who is sick, housebound, in hospital, or unable to come to Mass for any other reason? Would they like to receive Holy Communion?

Please let the office or Canon Michael know in order that he can take the Blessed Sacrament to those who wish to receive.

Christmas Mass Times St Joseph's

Christmas Eve Holy Mass 5.00pm Christmas Eve Sung Latin Mass (*EF*) 11.00pm Christmas Day Holy Mass 10.00am

St Wilfrid's

Christmas Eve Holy Mass 5.00pm

Carols by Candlelight

St Joseph's Church is to host this wonderful musical Christmas evening on the evening of **Friday 9**th **December**. The programme will feature the Diocesan Choir, the choirs of St Joseph's Academy Hebburn, and the Westoe Brass band. Mark the date in your diary.

We are looking for volunteers to assist with serving mince pies & wine etc on the evening, if you are free and would like to help please speak to Bernadette Hirst or Shauna Devitt

Updating Information

In line with DATA protection advice we need to update our information periodically and check that those who have subscribed to online correspondence in the past are still happy to be contacted in this way.

If you have subscribed to the 'Newsletter Email List' and are happy to continue to be included on this list, or if you have changed your email address and need to update it in order to continue to receive the newsletter please send an email to shaunadevitt@yahoo.co.uk to verify your details and consent.

If you would like to be added to the database for the purposes of receiving the newsletter via email please email your details to the above email address also.

Thank You

Recording and Photography

In Accordance with Diocesan Data protection and Safeguarding policies permission MUST be sought from and given by Canon Michael before any photographs or recordings of any kind are taken in church.

African Bracelet for Bernadette – are you the Bernadette who paid for a bracelet to be made? It is ready for you; please make yourself known once again to Angela MacDonald – the lady you paid. Thank you

Rosary Beads and Spectacles

Do you have any Rosary Beads or spectacles you no longer need or want? Angela MacDonald collects these to send to Africa, if you have any you would like to donate please hand them in to the office, or place in the box at the back of church. Thank You

HALL RENTAL

Our Church Hall is available for anyone to hire subject to availability and adherence to hall policies

If you would like to book the hall for any event please contact parish office or Shauna Devitt until December when the new hall manager Joanne Tonothy, will be available to help with all enquiries for information regarding costs etc. joanne.tonothy@yahoo.co.uk or 07894149160

Parking for Mass at St Joseph's

Our car-park is relatively small; there is enough space for approximately 20 cars when all are parked carefully. Please DO NOT Park down the middle of the car park as this blocks access for emergency services if needed and traps other drivers in. If you arrive when the car-park is full please park in the public car-park a minute's walk from the church grounds.

ATTENTION 10.00am Mass attendees, please do not leave your car in the car-park after Mass whilst you 'pop to the shops' - those coming to Mass at Mid-day will need the parking spaces, all 10.00am cars ought to be out of the car-park by 11.30 at the very latest.

Thank you for your co-operation

St Joseph's Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale at the back of church after Mass on Sundays £2 per strip of 5 tickets. First prize £100, second prize £50, third prize £25 plus many other beautiful prizes -you really do not want to miss out!!

Tuesday Club

Takes place in the hall straight after 12.05 Mass Join us for a light lunch, a warm welcome and friendly conversation as well as bingo and other activities All this for a small donation of £1 per person For further information speak to Bernadette Hirst

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes from Mexican Fun Day

Available to collect from the office Strip:-1 - 5 Oreo bar Strip:-21 - 25 Chocolate hamper Strip:-41 - 45 Oil Burner Set Strip:-6 -10 Haribo Set Strip:-31 - 35 Kitchen Board

PLEASE COLLECT BEFORE END OF NOVEMBER

any unclaimed prizes will be resubmitted as prizes for the next raffle!!

Mexican Fun Afternoon December 11th in St Joseph's

Church Hall1.00pm - 4.00pm

ALL are welcome

Can You Spare an Hour?

On Wednesday December 14th from 11.30 - 13.30, we are holding an Open-Door Event.

This is a time for people, many of whom have never been inside our church before, to come in, to look around, to enjoy some quiet time, or to light a candle.

If you feel you could help to make sure this event runs smoothly please give your name and the time you would be available to Canon Michael, Bernadette Hirst or Shauna Devitt

There will be an extra collection NEXT Weekend for Youth Sunday

Feast of CHRIST THE KING

"CHRIST WILL COME AS KING OF KINGS"

He, who came in a humble way as a son of David born in Bethlehem, will come again but this time in awesome majesty as the Son of God, the King of kings. He, who was mocked as "king of the Jews" on the cross (cf. gospel reading), will come again in an impossible to imagine divine glory! On that day, all peoples including all kings and presidents, dead and alive, will bow and acknowledge that Jesus is the King of kings, Lord of lords, President of all presidents! Yes, He who is coming is great! Indeed, He is the greatest, "for in Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities – all things were created through Him and for Him" (Col. 1:16; second reading)!

Normally, we do not associate powerful personalities with love; but Jesus, being God (cf. second reading), is not only all-powerful, He is also most loving. He loves every one of us. Indeed, He loves even people we think do not deserve to be loved. Jesus loves us so much that He became poor so that we might share in His divine riches (2 Cor. 8:9). What is more? He sacrificed His very life for us: "for greater love has no man than to lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13).

Again, because of His great love for us, He has prepared for each of us a reward (heaven) which is greater than the service we render Him. Thus, when He comes again, He does so bringing reward for those whose service has pleased Him. How do we please Jesus? By making Jesus the King of our personal and daily lives here on earth. When we allow Jesus to rule our personal lives every day we will not be afraid of meeting Him on the last day; rather, we will be eager to meet Him, whom we please on daily basis. How do we make Him the King of our personal lives every day? By faith and action. What kind of faith? Faith in the Father, in Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit, and in what Jesus has taught us about eternal life (John 14:1-6, 15-16; 17:2-3) - a faith which influences our actions. What kind of actions? Matt. 25:31-46 tells us the sort of actions Jesus our King expects of us:

- * To feed the hungry;
- * To give drink to the thirsty;
- * To care for the stranger;
 - * To cloth the naked;
- * To care for the sick; and
- * To visit the imprisoned.

We please our King by these six actions and similar ones. May we always be eager to help the needy. And may every help we give put a smile, not just on the face of the beneficiary, but also on the face of the King of kings. Amen!

May every help we give increase the credit in our account in heaven. Amen!

May every help we give wipe out the deficit of our sins. Amen!

Very Rev. Fr. John Louis



Book Club

Next Meeting
December 21st at 7.00pm
In the
John Ingram Room

This friendly relaxed discussion group is always happy to welcome new members, no commitments or costs involved – unless you need to purchase a copy of the book being read!!

The book we are currently reading is the very seasonal 'A Christmas Carol' By Charles Dickens

We will be discussing this read in a very seasonal fashion with mince pies and brandy butter

Cheese and wine – possibly some mulled And optional fancy dress to reflect the story and its times!

Join us if you can.



Holy Hour to Pray for the end of abortion in the UK and in reparation for the 10,000,000 since the passing of the abortion act

St Joseph's Church gates head 2.00pm Saturday November 26th arranged as part of the SPUC national prayer campaign to mark the period of the passing and implementation of the UK abortion act 55 years ago

If you wish to help further the work of SPUC, please contact David 07592291358 chairman of the SPUC Gateshead branch.

The **Vocations** Team extends an invitation to men aged 18+, who might be thinking about a vocation to the Priesthood to an enquirers evening, at the Cloister Cafe, St Mary's

Cathedral, Newcastle, on

• Tuesday 6 December 2022

We start at 6.00pm with a period of prayer, talk/discussion, followed by a meal together, finishing around 8.00pm.

If you would like to attend, or for more information, please contact the Vocations Promoter, Fr Shaun Purdy by email: vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk or by phone: 01670 812200.

Parish magazine

This will be available to pick up from next week; we have not set a sale price for the publication but hope you will make a donation towards its costs.

Perhaps after you have read the magazine you will be so kind as to email a comment to:- shaunadevitt@yahoo.co.uk, (or drop a hand written note into the office), to let us know what you think of the publication.

Please be as honest as possible without being offensive; let me know:-

What you liked and/or disliked about the production, what you would change/keep, what you would have liked to see included/excluded and your overall opinion about having a Parish magazine,

If it is deemed to be a success then I would endeavour to produce another in the springtime, perhaps you will be inspired to send in an article for publication?

Look out for news of any feedback given and any developments regarding future editions.

Thank you to all

ST WILFRID'S

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE;
Tickets on sale at the back of church

Flower Collection;

Many thanks to those of you who donated to the cost of Christmas flowers last week, £40 was raised.

Advent reflections

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission have produced a series of reflections on the readings used throughout our Advent preparations. The reflections have been written by members of the Diocese and offer an opportunity to pause and reflect. The first and second week of Advent reflections can be downloaded from bit.ly/DHNAdvent2022 or by searching for #DHNAdvent2022 on Facebook. The second part of the Advent reflections will be available shortly.

Please look at the Diocesan website for the latest news about events and courses in and around the Diocese

News - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle (diocesehn.org.uk)

Please keep in your prayers Bishop Robert who is unwell at this time. We wish him a speedy recovery.

