+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

	NOV		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	26	5.00pm	Private Intention		
Sunday	27	10.30am	Polish Mass	10.00am	George & Elizabeth McDonald
				12 noon (EF)	People of the Parish
				2.00pm	African Mass
Monday	28	10.00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory		
Tuesday	29			12.05pm	Brown & Henderson families
Wednesday	30			12.05pm	Veronica Mackin & dec`d of McDonack family
Thursday	DEC 1			12.05pm	For Vicky`s health (MM)
Friday	2	10.00am	Ann Cant	12.05 pm	Janet Fawcett
Saturday	3			11.00am (EF)	Ben Schiphorst
		5.00pm	People of the Parish		
Sunday	4			10.00am	William Hildyard
		10.30am	Polish Mass	12 noon (EF)	Jean Ingram
				3.00pm	Holy Hour

CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S CONFESSIONS AFTER 12.05 MASS ON WEDNESDAY AND 12 NOON TO 12.30PM ON SATURDAY ST WILFRID`S BEFORE 6.00PM MASS SATURDAY THE ROSARY IS RECITED BEFORE MASS ON TUESDAY AND FRIDAY IN SAINT JOSEPH'S EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAY AFTER MASS UNTIL 1.30PM

COLLECTIONS:.20.11.16 St Joseph's

10.00am: £182.38

Midweek £73.20

12.00 noon: £184.38 Total £366.76

St Wilfrid's. £157.67. Donation £20 Polish Rent £300

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and especially Pat Palmer, Joe Beck, Ray Holland, Theresa Vickers and Bernadette Hand.

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS. Fr Brown will take Holy Communion to housebound parishioners in Marigold Court and Sunderland Road this Thursday morning.

DEANERY PENANCE SERVICE. St Auggustine's, Leam Lane, Wednesday 21st December at 7pm.

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

PIETY STALL. The Piety Stall in the porch will be open each Sunday of Advent.

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS. Anyone who would like to help please come on Sunday 18th December. There will be mulled wine and mince pies for volunteers. Time to be arranged.

SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE This year the school carol service will take place on Monday 12th December at 6pm in church. All welcome

SYRIAN PROJECT. Earlier this year it was decided to take on a parish project with Aid to the Church in need. Our project is helping a Catholic school, Al Riaya, in Damascus, Syria. There will be a retiring collection after Sunday Mass, once a month on the first Sunday of the month, for the next year. Information is on display at the back of St Joseph's. £355.50 raised so far. Next collection next week.

ST. WILFRID'S NEWS

JOINT MASS WITH POLISH CHARISMATIC GROUP. On Saturday december 10th the Polish Charismatic prayer group ill be having an evening of prayer and wil join us for the 5pm Mass.

Christmas Cards, Diaries and other items are now available in the kitchen on Saturdays.

Once again we will be collecting the Chronicle Wish Tokens. They will begin appearing in the Chronicle on Monday 10th October right through to Saturday 7th January next year. The last time we collected them we had a fantastic response from so many people, near and far, who thought of us so we hope that we get that same good will again this time around. Tokens can be given to any Parishioner or sent to the Church where there will be a box at the back. Many Thanks.

JOE'S PLACE at St. Josephs Centre in Gateshead is open every Wednesday, offering food and a warm welcome to needy and vunerable people. We urgently need more volunteers. If you would like to find out more, pop in and talk to one of our volunteers on a Wednesday or come along to our AGM which is on the 23rd November at 2pm. Please contact our secretary Wilf McNeany on 07748118335. We do need your support to continue providing this service.

CATHEDRAL ADVENT RETREAT DAY

Thursday 8 December 2016

10.45 am Talk by Fr Paul Jenkins O Carm

11.30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.05 pm Solemn Sung Mass for the Immaculate Conception

1.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(Confessions from 1.00 - 2.00pm)

CATHEDRAL RECONCILIATION DAY

Saturday 17 December 2016

12 noon Service of Reconciliation with Bishop Séamus

12.30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(With individual confession until 4.00pm)

4.00 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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.

Parishes of Saint Joseph & Saint Wilfrid Gateshead First Sunday of Advent: Year A (OF) First Sunday of Advent (EF) 26th /27th November 2016

ST ANDREW

Andrew was St. Peter's brother, and was called with him. "As [Jesus] was walking by the sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him" (Matthew 4:18-20).

John the Evangelist presents Andrew as a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus. "Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.' So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day" (John 1:38-39a).

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes. When the Gentiles went to see Jesus, they came to Philip, but Philip then had recourse to Andrew.

Legend has it that Andrew preached the Good News in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras.

Feast Day November 30th

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