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*28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (OF) 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (EF) 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022*

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday St John Henry Newman	October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Bell and Cantwell Families	5.00pm		
Sunday	October 9 <sup>th</sup>			People of the Parish  Priest's Intention	10.00am  Midday (EF)
Monday	October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Souls	10.00am		
Tuesday Feast Day of Blessed Carlo Acutis	October 11 <sup>th</sup>			Private Intention (Father and family)	10.00pm School Mass in Church
Wed Feast Day of St Wilfrid	October 12 <sup>th</sup>			Intentions of Fr Pat O'Connell	12.05pm  2.00pm
Thursday	October 13 <sup>th</sup>			In Thanksgiving	7.45am
Friday	October 14 <sup>th</sup>	May and George Craig	10.00am	NO MASS	12.05pm
Saturday	October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Priest's Intention	5.00pm	Richard Phipps and Delphina Deprez	11.00am (EF)
Sunday	October 16 <sup>h</sup>			Sheila Clarke  People of the Parish	10.00am  Midday (EF)

"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

**Sunday 23rd October is World Mission Sunday**, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. **If you use the donation envelopes to give by credit/debit card, please return the envelopes directly to Missio.**

There will be a Retiring Collection that day. Envelopes are now available at the back of Church .... Take one and return with your donation on the weekend of 22nd/23rd October

**Thinking Ahead**

Although summer has only just finished and we have the beauty of the autumn season to look forward to, it will soon be Advent, and then Christmas will be upon us. Please would you give the festive season some thought and share any thoughts you may have about Mass times, fund raising and parish celebrations.

Email:

[gateshead.st.joseph@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:gateshead.st.joseph@rcdhn.org.uk)

**Income 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022**

**St Wilfrid's: - £136.50 Gift Aided- £41**

**Donation-£20 Candles £20.30 Piety £50**

**St Joseph's - £506 of which £105 was Gift Aided**

**Many Thanks**

We are collecting suitable items for a Christmas raffle at St Joseph's, if you would like to contribute please leave your offering in the office.

Thank you

**MEXICAN FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 1.00 - 4.00pm in the church hall**

**Please put your name on the list if you intend to come as the number of attendees is required**

**Raffle Tickets on sale after Mass**

**Children's Missalettes**

"There are a small number of children's missalettes available from Sunday for the 12 noon Mass with readings in English for children who can read. These can be kept if desired as they contain other items of interest or returned to the back of church after Mass"

**BOOK CLUB**

Open to ALL

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 7pm.**

The book is **Orthodoxy** by **G.K.Chesterton**. "Orthodoxy (1908) is a book by G. K. Chesterton that has become a classic of Christian apologetics.[.][.] In the book's preface, Chesterton states the purpose is to "attempt an explanation, not of whether the Christian faith can be believed, but of how he personally has come to believe it." In it, Chesterton presents an original view of Christian religion. He sees it as the answer to natural human needs, the "answer to a riddle" in his own words, and not simply as an arbitrary truth received from somewhere outside the boundaries of human experience." (Wikipedia)

**CHRISTMAS MAGAZINE**

**DEADLINE** for Submissions **1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER**

Could all those who have agreed to write an article please ensure their submission reaches the office by the 1<sup>st</sup> November

We still need many more of your

Favourite **Christmas recipes**

A description of **family traditions**

Your favourite '**cracker**' **joke**

**Poems** and **prose** about Christmas and/or covid/lockdown/winter - anything really!

Please email your magazine contribution to

[gateshead.st.joseph@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:gateshead.st.joseph@rcdhn.org.uk)

Or write it down and place in an envelope marked 'Magazine', pop it on the collection plate or post it through presbytery door.

**Thank You** in advance for your participation

**The annual Mass Attendance Count is to take place on 8/9 October**

**HALL MANAGEMENT**

After many years of committed service Mr Alan Telford has decided to step down from the role of hall manager- we thank him for his dedication to the role and wish him all the very best for the future.

If there is anyone out there who feels they could take on this important role please speak to Canon Michael.

**ST.WILFRID'S**

CHRISTMAS candles and other items are now available in the kitchen.

**NOVEMBER CANDLES;**

Candles cost £1.20 each. Envelopes are available at the back of Church, please hand them in to Rachel. The cutoff date is Saturday 29th October.

**ST JOSEPH'S NOVEMBER CANDLES** - put name of deceased in envelope along with £2 per name and put on collection plate

**LATIN for BEGINNERS**

Commences: - **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October @ 7.30,**

**Text books, £3** to be given out at the first class

A notebook and pencil may be useful to bring along  
Class will be held in John Ingram Room, please come to Presbytery (back door)  
Everyone is welcome

## **The Other Nine, Where Are They?**

The one who returned was a Samaritan, a foreigner, not a believer. Perhaps the other nine returned later, Jesus would be waiting for them. The Lord is always waiting. Jesus is the same, "yesterday, today and tomorrow", waiting for us to ask for His healing touch in times of trial and sickness, ready to return to say "**Thank you**".

In our 1st reading also the one who returned is a foreigner, Naaman, an officer in the Syrian army, an Arab with leprosy. His maidservant suggests he should approach the prophet Elisha for healing from the God of the Hebrews. Elisha tells him to bathe in the river Jordan; he trusts the word of the prophet. In gratitude he builds an altar to the Hebrew God back home in Syria, with soil from Israel.

Luke's Gospel was written for the gentiles, he shows Jesus as the compassionate saviour for all people; to all who trust in Him. God's blessings are not restricted to a chosen people, they are given to those with faith that he is with us in our sickness and in our shattered dreams. We must never lose faith in Him.

Luke was a doctor and he knew that sorrow and sickness were universal.

He mentions a few medical details: how lepers waited for Jesus at the entrance to the village, they were forbidden to enter towns and villages as the disease was so contagious. They lived in isolation in caves far away from social contacts; they wore face masks covering nose and mouth and rang a bell to warn others of their presence. Luke records how "they stood afar off" to avoid infecting Jesus and His companions, they needed to shout "Jesus, Master have pity on us" Finally Jesus tells them to "go and show yourselves to the Priest".

Many preachers interpret "go tell the Priest" to mean for us today to go to confession for a clean bill of health after sin, a spiritual leprosy; and so be restored to God's family table, the Eucharist, this is a very useful interpretation and application.

But, Luke was simply recording the facts of the day; the lepers needed a clean bill of health to be allowed to return home to their communities. The idea of church and state as two distinct authorities did not exist. Israel was one nation under God. A theocracy governed by the High Priest. The Temple or the Synagogue was the local Authority, who would pronounce them cured.

**"Where are the other nine? No-one has returned to give thanks except this foreigner"**

**Thank You** is a very lovely word; it makes for friendship and community and love. We often remind forgetful children in their excitement with a birthday present "is there a little word you've forgotten?" it is an important word in any language:- "**danker**" in German, "**Merci**" in French, "**Gracias**" in Spanish, "**Gratsi**" in Italian, "**Dziekuje**" in Polish, "**Shekran**" in Arabic, "**Gratias**" in Latin and of course in Greek "**Eucharisto**" (pronounced "Epharisto")

Jesus was the happiest man who ever lived, a happiness born from gratitude to God for all His gifts, "**I thank you Father Lord of Heaven and earth for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children**" His whole life was a continuous THANK-YOU, a EUCHARISTO to God. His last night was a thank you meal with His friends, the night before He was betrayed He gave thanks to God.

**Holy Mass is a powerful thank you for God's blessings.**

Prayer without action however is dead, we show gratitude by sharing our gifts with others; sharing our time, talents and resources; all are gifts.

**May our last prayer at night and our first in the morning be one of thanksgiving.**

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Consultation  
September 26 2022

This year Bishop Robert and the Board of Trustees commissioned research to provide recommendations on improving Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in the Diocese, led by expert consultant Ngozi Lyn Cole. After a successful first phase of consultancy sessions involving clergy, employees, volunteers and parishioners, phase 2 is planned for October 2022 consisting of **three EDI 'learning and development' sessions** taking place over Zoom, with the theme 'Being the kind of Christians God wants us to be'.

These Zoom sessions will provide a deeper dive into the subjects discussed in the initial consultation sessions, and each session is centred on a different topic, so there is something new to learn from each. They have been scheduled for different times and days of the week to hopefully make at least one session accessible for all.

The sessions are:

- **EDI awareness and language:** Thursday 13 October, 2.00 – 4.00pm.
  - **Bias:** Thursday 20 October, 6.00 – 8.00pm.
  - **Inclusion:** Tuesday 25 October, 3.30 – 5.30pm.

These sessions will inform the project's final recommendations to the Bishop and Board of Trustees on the approaches that will best work for increasing awareness of EDI across the Diocese, leading to a detailed action plan.

We would love for you to join us for one of the sessions, or even 2 or 3.

**If you would like to take part**, please call 0191 243 3301 or email: [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk).

The Vocations Team extends an invitation to men aged 18+, who might be thinking about a vocation to the Priesthood to an enquirers evening.

The evenings will take place at the Cloister Cafe, St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, on:

- **Tuesday 25 October 2022**
- **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](mailto:vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk) or by phone: 01670 812200.