

+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

	SEPT		SAINT WILFRID'S		SAINT JOSEPH'S
Saturday	10	6.00pm	Fred and Ellen Barker		
Sunday	11			10.00am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon	Fr Ernie Donnelly
Monday	12	10.00am	Sr Ngozi Asike		
Tuesday	13			12.05pm	Brown & Henderson families
Wednesday	14			12.05pm	Souls in Purgatory <i>Anointing of the sick</i>
Thursday	15			12.05pm	Mary Ellen Sidaway
Friday	16	10.00am <i>School Mass</i>	Doris Henshaw	12.05 pm	Peggy and Billy Mohan
Saturday	17			11.00am (EF)	In Thanksgiving (M)
		6.00pm	Sick of the parish		
Sunday	18			10.00am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	<i>Polish Mass</i>	12 noon (EF)	Ursula Margaret Purvis

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: 28.08. 16 St Joseph's 10.00am: £164.22

12.00 noon: £146.40

Total £310.62

St Wilfrid's. Not yet available.

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and especially John Harrison, 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 St Joseph's parish this Thursday morning.

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE VICARIATE MEETING - Thursday 29th September 7p.m. in St Joseph's church hall, Gateshead. This is a meeting for clergy, FTIH lay reps, head teachers and all parishioners.

You can find a copy of the FTIH response to our parish questionnaire at the back of St Joseph's

CONFIRMATIONS plans are being made for confirmations. This will involve the parishes of St Patrick's, Felling, St Alban's, Pelaw, St Augustine's, Leam Lane, St Wilfrid's and St Joseph's working together. There will be an initial meeting or the priests and those interested in helping as catechists which will take place at St Augustine's at 6.30 on 15th September. Anyone wishing to be confirmed is asked to make themselves known to their parish priest by September 30th.

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. It is proposed we hold a retiring collection after Sunday Mass, once a month for the next year. Further information will be on display soon at the back of St Joseph's.

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH VACANCIES

Safeguarding volunteer for St Joseph's. We need a volunteer to oversee safeguarding issues in the parish. If you think you can help please see Fr Brown. Further information available from the diocesan safeguarding office, tel. 0191 2433305

Foundation Governors. We need to appoint two foundation governors for St Joseph's school. To qualify you need to be a practising Catholic with an interest in the good of the school and it would be an advantage to have some relevant skill to offer. Please see Fr Brown or Bernadette Hirst if you are interested.

Money Counters. Volunteers are sought to join the rota for counting the Sunday collection.

Parish Hall. Volunteers needed who are willing to help with the booking and opening of the parish hall.

Church cleaning. The group who stay behind on a Friday after Mass are looking for volunteers to help them in cleaning the church.

Altar Servers. Children who have made their First Holy Communion are encouraged to consider becoming altar servers at Mass.

ST WILFRID'S PIETY STALL New stock is available at the back of Church including Lapel Crosses, Walsingham Medals and various other items, all at good prices-please do have a look.

SAYING GOODBYE SERVICES Saying Goodbye services are the first national set of remembrance services, for people who have suffered the loss of a baby, whether that be recently or decades ago. They provide a time and place to acknowledge and remember your baby, whilst collectively 'saying goodbye'. Sunderland Minster, Sunderland, Sunday 2nd October 2016 3.00 p.m. For more information see www.sayinggoodbye.org

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

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24th Sunday of Ordinary Time:Year C (OF)
17th Sunday after Pentecost (EF)
10th /11th September 2016

**The Pope to bishops of the mission territories: the
Church is called to be above tribal and cultural
connotations,**

Francis exhorted the bishops to pay close attention to what can be done to favour evangelisation, and to ensure that the various pastoral activities they promote are not damaged or inhibited by divisions, either already present or that may be created. "Division is the weapon the devil employs most to destroy the Church from within", he explained. "He has two weapons, but the main one is division: the other is money. The devil enters through our pockets and destroys with the tongue, with idle chatter that divides, and the habit of gossiping is a habit of 'terrorism'. The gossip is a 'terrorist' who throws a grenade – chatter – in order to destroy. Please, fight against division, because it is one of the weapons that the devil uses to destroy the local Church and the universal Church. In particular, differences due to the presence of different ethnic groups in the same territory must not penetrate into the Christian communities to the point of prevailing over their own good. These are challenges that are difficult to resolve, but with the grace of God, prayer, penance, it can be done. The Church is called to place herself above tribal and cultural connotations and the bishop, the visible principle of unity, has the task of ceaselessly building up the particular Church in the communion of all her members".

"Care for the people God has entrusted to you, care for priests, care for seminarians. This is your task", he concluded, invoking the help of Our Lady and asking the bishops to pray for him.

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