

Holy Family

Roman Catholic Parish

St Mary's, St John Vianney's, St Patrick's and St Joseph's Churches

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle



Parish Diary — Week beginning 11th September 2022

*Live stream: www.facebook.com/HolyFamilyHartlepool

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 10th September	(Vigil) 24th Sunday O.T.	4.00pm - 4.30pm Exposition & Confessions 5.00pm Mass Joe Breheny			
Sunday 11th September	24th Sunday O.T.	*10.00am Mass Christopher McDonough (RD) Coffee after Mass	9.00am Mass Joan Boddy & Killen Family Coffee after Mass	11.00am Mass Martyn Batchnik (Donor) Coffee after Mass	6.00pm Mass Mark & Ray Crawford
Monday 12th September	The Holy Name of Mary	1.00pm Funeral Elizabeth Siddell 6.30pm Mass Bob Banks (20th A)			10.00am Mass Ken Bowes Jnr Coffee after Mass
Tuesday 13th September	St John Chrysostom	12.05pm Mass John Flannery 1.30pm Funeral Stephen Hockett	10.15am/10.30am Exposition/Rosary 6.30pm Mass Hunter & Dodds families 60th Wedding Anniversary		2.00pm Rosary
Wednesday 14th September	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	6.00pm - 6.25pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Arnie & Sue Coulton, A Celebration of 50 Years of Marriage		9.30am Mass Arnie & Susan Coulton, A Celebration of 50 Years of Marriage	
Thursday 15th September	Our Lady of Sorrows		9.30am Mass Mark Twydale 10.45am Funeral Mary Ellen Mottram		6.30pm Mass Megraw Mass Fund
Friday 16th September	SS Cornelius & Cyprian	12.05pm Mass Nancy & Bill Emerson			
Saturday 17th September	(Vigil) 25th Sunday O.T.	4.00pm - 4.30pm Exposition & Confessions 5.00pm Mass Ted & Mary Hitchen			
Sunday 18th September	25th Sunday O.T.	*10.00am Mass Jimmy Dobing (A) Coffee after Mass	9.00am Mass Arthur Vokes Coffee after Mass	11.00am Mass Anne Cole Coffee after Mass	6.00pm Mass No Intention

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THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

EDUCATION SUNDAY - This Sunday is Education Sunday. A special collection will be taken for Catholic Education.

JOURNEY IN FAITH - A course for those wishing to explore becoming a Roman Catholic will begin in November. In preparation for this course, we would welcome current Catholics who are willing to help deliver the course and share their faith. If you would be interested in doing so please inform Laura in the Parish Office.

PARISH WEBSITE - Over the summer months work has been taking place on developing a new Parish Website. Whilst there is still some work to take place, this will be published shortly. Once it is available the social media accounts associated with the churches of the parish will be closed. Watch this space....

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL & PARISH FINANCE

COMMITTEE - With the appointment of a new parish priest the existing PPC and Finance Committee cease to exist. It is Canon Paul's intention to renew the tenure of the Finance Committee for the moment as this body is a canonical requirement. Looking forward there will be established local church committees to oversee the day to day running of our four churches. In the autumn, the new Holy Family Parish Pastoral Council will consist of representatives from each of the four local church committees of the parish.

GIFT AID - If any returning parishioners wish to restart their Gift Aid donations, please contact Laura in the Parish Office (866288) with your name and address and we will be happy to provide you with envelopes or a Banker's Order form. If you are a taxpayer and wish to join the scheme, please contact Laura and we will provide you with an application form. Remember we can claim an extra 25% on top of your donation as a tax free benefit to the parish; a welcome bonus in the present climate of inflation!

BAPTISM APPLICATIONS - Application forms for infant baptism are available at the back of each church and from the parish office. Please return completed forms to the parish office. The next Baptism meeting is on Wednesday 6th October, at 6.00pm, in St Joseph's Parish Centre.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin on Wednesday 5th October. Anyone in Year 10, 11 or above interested in being confirmed should come to our initial meeting for parents and young people on Wednesday 28th September at 6.30pm in St Patrick's church hall. For further information please email ric@holyfamilyyouth.co.uk or speak to him in school next term.

ACCOMPANIER FOR CONFIRMATION - We are seeking parishioners from across our churches who can volunteer to help our confirmation candidates and their families to get involved and feel a part of the community at your regular Sunday Mass. If you would like to learn more, you can email or call Ric using the details on the front of the newsletter or catch him after Mass.

HOLY COMMUNION - The application forms for First Holy Communion are at the back of church. Please complete and return if you wish for your child to be included in this year's programme. The initial meeting for parents will be on Thursday 29th September at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church.

HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISTS - We are looking for parishioners to help with catechesis in our different churches. If you would like to volunteer or continue, please contact Sarah Boagey on 07921560989 or email fhc.holyfamilyhartlepool@gmail.com. There will be a meeting for catechists on Tuesday 27th September, at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre.

200 CLUB - August Draw on Sunday 11th September.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH FLOWERS - This week's flowers are sponsored this week by Margaret Hair, in loving memory of her parents and Maureen Frank in loving memory of her Dad, Arthur Hadfield.

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM - There will be Mass to celebrate the Feast Day on Saturday 24th September in St Patrick's Church at 10am followed by Coffee Morning in Hall afterwards. All Welcome.

MESSAGE FROM FR NICK - I would like to express my gratitude to clergy, parishioners of The Parish of Holy Family Hartlepool and to all concerned for welcoming me back on the Feast of St John Vianney for the celebration of Mass, food and drink, collections and individual contributions. It was a lovely occasion for catching up with those able to attend, having been unable to bid farewell when I moved at the beginning of lockdown. Thanks too for the good wishes from those who could not come at the time. With all God's blessings.

DEC PAKISTAN FLOODS APPEAL - Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected and donate now at cafod.org.uk/give

SUBSCRIBE - To receive this newsletter by email, please contact us at hartlepoolnewsletter@gmail.com.

PARISH DONATIONS - Anyone wishing to provide regular giving, you can instruct your bank to set up a standing order using these details:
Beneficiary: DHN The Holy Family Account Number: 11173928 Sort Code: 40-34-45 **Thank you.**

This Sundays Readings 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" the Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: "I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever."

So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Response: I will leave this place and go to my father.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-10

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

REFLECTION

One of the biggest problems that I have is accepting that I can be forgiven. I guess it is the same with forgiving others, I try to forgive but it is so difficult to forget. We were created without sin, one only needs to look at a new-born baby and one knows that, within that child, there is limitless love. However, we grow, and in that growing we absorb the good and bad that exists in our flawed world and the love that existed can become tarnished with sin. God, however, still looks upon us as that spotless child, born without sin, and His forgiveness is without measure, after all He loved us into being.

Our readings are reflections of God's forgiveness. In Exodus, at the intercession of Moses, he relents from punishing the people who have turned to false gods and instead forgives them. Paul, writing to Timothy, speaks of the mercy he was shown when He became a believer in Christ. Paul recognises that he was a sinner but believes "that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" and that, through the love and mercy shown to him, he found the grace to become an apostle for Christ.

In today's Gospel there are three parables; in the first a shepherd leaves ninety-nine sheep to look for the one that has gone astray and, upon finding him, rejoices, Then a woman, with ten coins, loses one and turns the house upside down until she has found it and again calls on her neighbours to rejoice. Finally, we have a son who has turned away from home and family, taken his share of his father's estate and wasted his wealth on worldly things. He returns, seeking forgiveness, but fearing rejection, and finds complete forgiveness and rejoicing. For he that was lost is found. These images remind us that God loves each and every human being. Many people search for God but fail to notice that He is searching for them too. Forgiveness is a very difficult thing for us to do. We may try but there is always a niggling doubt in the back of our conscience about how deeply we forgive or are forgiven. With God, forgiveness is complete and inexhaustible, so we must rejoice in our God who is loving and forgiving without limits.

David Frank

Daily Readings



OUR PRAYERS

The sick of the Parish: Stephen Anderson, Pat Baker, Kathleen Barlow, Michael Blackford, Hilary Bradbury, Dennis Bratt, Margaret Burke, Kay Burns, John Cann, Sarah Carroll, Rita Charlton, Veronica Cochrane, Daniel Cosby, Betty Crane, James Daley, Neil Davis, Lottie Docherty, Natalie Eglintine, Teresa Falkingham, Emily Flannery, Alison Foster, Lorraine Galen, Dorothy Geen, David Geen, Peter Grieves, Christine Hansell, Mary Harper, Mary Harris, Andrew Haygarth, Bella Hoey, Muriel Howe, Molly Hughes, Peter Johnson, Christine Jones, ETTY Jordan, Moira Kelly, Ceilia King, Margaret Kirkpatrick, Ken Knight, Frank Kozorowski, Marie Lydon, Maureen Maguire, Vera Marriott, James Marshall, Mary Mason, Ian Matthews, Colin McDonald, Audrey McDonald, Owen McEneaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Paul McCraith, Christopher Mgehee, Paul Moore, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, Sylvice Notrianni, Winnie Oliver, Myra Pattison, Eddie Pearson, Colin Price, Christine Priestly, Damian Rafferty, Jean Richardson, Pam Robertson, Joseph Robinson, Paula Rogers, Hilda Ryan, Agnes Scully, Corazon Simpson, Matthew Steel, Brenda Stott, Brett Swain, Gail Symington, Melvin Thackeray, Lynsey Todd, Nora Trischler, Jonathon Vokes, Kay Wallace, James Walsh, Anthony Weegram. **Through our prayers may the healing presence of Christ be with them at this time.**

Recently Deceased: Elizabeth Siddell, John Flannery, Stephen Hockett, Duncan Burdon, Mary Mottram, Julie Talbot. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: James Neville, Michael Cooke, Hugh Bantoft, Albert Ernest Lindsay, Norah Belinda Stevens, Les Elliott, Elizabeth Bradley, Anne Hall, Bob Banks, Mathew Daley MBE, Michael Joseph Gallone, Edith Davidson, Laura Jane Relton, Michael Collins, Anne Marie Garthwaite, George Dixon, Mary Jukes, Ann Sheridan, Albert Shadforth, Jimmy Dobing, James Glover, Vincent Price, Ann Horsley, John Patrick Burns, Maureen Auton, William Lyle, Tessa Cranage, Lisa Harland, Mary Hegarty, Veronica Thomas William Egglestone, Leslie Sothern, Joan Carberry, Robert Pounder, Albert Lindsay, Joanne Gray, Stephen Poll, John Hogan, Agnes Taylor, Pauline Foreman, Evlyn Carter, Ted Leck, Tony Bentham, Peggy Bentham and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.**

Kids Corner:

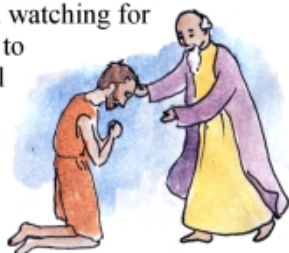
God Wants Everyone to Come Back to Him



In today's Gospel we hear three parables. In the first Jesus tells about the shepherd who lost one of his hundred sheep. But even though he had so many, he still cared about the one that was lost and went out to find it. God is like that too: even though He has so many people to look after He still cares about you in particular.

The next parable is similar, with the woman searching all over her house when she loses one of her special coins. She rejoices when she finds it, just like the angels rejoice in Heaven when a sinner turns back to God.

The last parable that Jesus tells is the story of the prodigal son. We are like the son in that story when we run away from God by sinning. But like the father, God is waiting and watching for us to be sorry and come back to Him. All we have to do is tell Him we are sorry for our sins in Confession and He will be so happy to have us back!



Answers: Front page: there are 5 sheep.
Fill in the blanks: loses, found, have, tell, sinner.
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Luke 15:1-32

Jesus told us that God is like a shepherd that cares for every one of His sheep. There are some sheep lost in this picture. Can you find them?

Then you can colour in the rest of the picture.