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 2nd October 2022

*Live stream: www.facebook.com/HolyFamilyHartlepool

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Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's	
Saturday 1st October	(Vigil) 27th Sunday O.T.	11.30am - 2.00pm Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Hall				
	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus	4.00pm - 4.30pm Exposition & Confessions				
		5.00pm Mass Charles Hewitt				
Sunday 2nd October	27th Sunday O.T.	*10.00am Mass George Hoey	9.00am Mass Steven Burnup	11.00am Mass Bob & Nancy Garraghan	6.00pm Mass Pat Stewart	
		Coffee after Mass	Coffee after Mass	Coffee after Mass		
Monday 3rd October		6.30pm Mass Mary & Terence Gollogly		2.00pm Funeral Sheila Williams	10.00am Mass Mary & Family	
Tuesday 4th October	St Francis of Assisi	12.05pm Mass Special Intention (E)	10.15am/10.30am Exposition/Rosary		2.00pm Rosary	
			6.30pm Mass Leo J Murray			
Wednesday 5th October		6.00pm - 6.25pm Exposition & Confessions		9.30am Mass No Intention		
		6.30pm Mass Sheila Glover				
Thursday 6th October			9.30am Mass Steven Tierney		6.30pm Mass St Mary's Guild	
Friday 7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary	12.05pm Mass Nora & William Spalding				
Saturday 8th October	(Vigil) 28th Sunday O.T.	4.00pm - 4.30pm Exposition & Confessions	12.00pm Wedding Bethany Evans & Scott Parker			
		5.00pm Mass Michael, Ethel & Forbes Jacques				
Sunday 9th October	28th Sunday O.T.	*10.00am Mass Sean Charlton	9.00am Mass John & Winnie Joy	11.00am Mass Doris & Frank Connor	6.00pm Mass People of the Parish	
		Coffee after Mass	Coffee after Mass	Coffee after Mass		

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St John Vianney's

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St Patrick's

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THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

CAFID FAMILY FAST DAY - Millions of families are Catholic Agency for Overseas Development facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope for our parish collection or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday.

READERS ROTA - We have established a rota for readers at St Joseph's. Thank you to everyone who registered interest. Please check the list at the back of Church and let us know if there are any dates you cannot commit to.

LOST PROPERTY - There are several pairs of spectacles which have been found at St Joseph's. Please check the lost property basket at the back of church just in case they are yours. Thanks.

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.

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 5th October, at 6.00pm, in St Joseph's Parish Centre.

CONFIRMATION UPDATE - Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation begin on Wednesday 5th October for 6 weeks. These sessions will now all take place in St Joseph's Church hall: starting with the opportunity to attend mass prior to the meeting in church at 6.30pm. There is still time to sign up. To register your interest, please fill in a sign-up form at http://confirmation.holyfamilyyouth.co.uk/. A programme for next year's Year 9 & 10 will launch in September 2023 for any further information please contact Ric using the details on the front page.

ST JOHN VIANNEY CAR PARKING - Due to the high volume of parishioners using the on site parking facilities for Sunday Mass, we respectfully ask those who are able, to use the spaces available in the school car park opposite. This will ease congestion and make it a safer place during busy times before and after Mass.

THANKS - Thanks to everyone who helped organise the Mass and Coffee Morning last Saturday for Our Lady of Walsingham Feast Day and to Canon Paul for celebrating Mass for us.

BONUS BALL - Thanks to everyone also who contributed Prizes for Bonus Ball in aid of SVP and to those who helped to sell the numbers. With Donations received £150 has been forwarded to St Joseph's SVP. Winning Number 51: Winners Sue Harrison and Irene Gale

200 CLUB - Quarterly Subs now due. £6.25 per quarter, £12.50 Half Year. Please make payment to Clare Ferguson or David Frank, alternatively put payment in envelope, include your name and address, mark envelope 200 club and place on collection plate. Cheques to be made out to "St Patrick's 200 Club"

ST PATRICK'S GARDENING CLUB - Our next meeting is Saturday 15th October at 10am.

ST BEGA'S MASS - A Mass will be held at St Bega's School on Monday 3rd October, at 9.15am. All parishioners are welcome.

MASS AT ENGLISH MARTYRS SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - Parishioners are warmly invited to English Martyrs School on Wednesdays during term time, at 12.30 for Mass. The chapel is undergoing refurbishment, so Mass is currently being held in the drama studio, just inside the main reception area. Ample parking is available in the Catcote Road car park.

SVP MEETING 3RD OCTOBER - The next meeting of the Holy Family Parish SVP will be in St Joseph's Parish centre on Monday 3rd October, immediately following the evening Mass.

SEAFARERS APPEAL - If anybody has any good, clean and warm clothing, washable coats, sweatshirts or hoodies, our seafarers would be more than grateful of any donations. Please leave donation in the bin as you enter church, or contact Brenda Bland on 07599511066 for more information.

Happy Birthday to Michael Leck celebrating his 75th Birthday today and Ellen McKenna 96 years young tomorrow 3rd October. With love and congratulations from your Families and Many friends in Holy Family Parish.

This Sundays Readings

27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4

The upright man will live by his faithfulness

How long, O Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Response: O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not

your hearts.'

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing to our Lord

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 17:5-10

Say, 'We are merely servants'

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty.""

REFLECTION

Each week, when we go to Mass, we recite the Creed, a summary of our faith handed down to us from the early church. What they believed, is what we believe, it is an essential part of who we are, we must keep it alive and active. The faith that came to the early Christians was not written on paper, it existed in human hearts, and so, through many hundreds of years of study, discussion and prayer, the Creed we recite today was composed and accepted by the whole church at the Council of Nicaea in 325 ad. From time to time the people of Israel were subjected to terrible hardships, mass deportations and violence. Habakkuk writes about the time of the Babylonian exile but in essence his cry for help from God echoes through the centuries even down to today; for there are many people who suffer still for their faith in God. Habakkuk looks for God to intervene against the oppression and injustice which is affecting his people but sees no response from Him. The vision he receives calls on the people to persevere in their faith: God's response seems slow in human terms, but it does come. and the exiles do return to the promised land. We are a people of hope, our faith in God carries us through all the trials that come to us in this life for we know that God always cares for those who keep faith in Him.

The gift of Faith is present in all human hearts but, as Saint Paul tells us today "the gift" "must be fanned into a flame". Paul speaks of the gifts of faith; "power, love and self-control". These are the gifts we need to use to overcome the situations that confront us. We should never be ashamed of our faith, hardships will come, but we can triumph over them because we have the Lord on our side. Faith is "something precious" and it is our duty to pass on this faith to others, especially our children.

A mustard seed is possibly the smallest seed in the world. Jesus tells his companions that the power of faith is so great that even if it were the size of the smallest seed it would move mountains. Next time you are faced with a difficult situation take your small seed of faith in your hands and act through the Holy Spirit which is within you.

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, 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 Mghee, 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: Sheila Williams, Peter Grieves, Sarah Kellett, Therese Day. May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Thomas Higgins, Georgina Cawavan, Alec Wood, Catherine Jeffrey, Winnie Connor, Mary Wood, Isaac Carrol, Dorothy Northey, Peter Clark, Michael Donnelly, William Graham, Edith Alice Potts, Bobby McDonald, Thomas McCarthy, Father John Kennedy, Joseph Jennings, Madge Wilson, Peter Carter, Steven Tierney, James Kitching, Winifred M Young, Dennis Clifford, John Lewis, John Carroll, Kathleen Mitchell, Evelyn Davison, Christine Whitehouse, Arnold Myers, Kathleen Coombe, 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:

The Kids' Bulletin

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 2nd, 2022

What did Jesus say in today's Gospel reading when the apostles asked Him to give them more faith?

> Sort out the letters by number and put them in the spaces below.



"If you have faith the size of a

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you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. Luke 17:5-10

Mustard Seed Word-Find

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