

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 4th September 2022

*Live stream: www.facebook.com/HolyFamilyHartlepool

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 3rd September	(Vigil) 23rd Sunday O.T.	4.00pm - 4.30pm Exposition & Confessions 5.00pm Mass Ann, Henry & Pauline Moir			
Sunday 4th September	23rd Sunday O.T.	*10.00am Mass Thelma Britto (1st A) Coffee after Mass	9.00am Mass Mark Burnop Coffee after Mass	11.00am Mass Stephen Kealy Coffee after Mass	6.00pm Mass Maureen Reilly
Monday 5th September	St Teresa of Calcutta	11.00am Funeral Patricia Ward			10.00am Mass Janice Graham Lynn Ryan Coffee after Mass
Tuesday 6th September		12.05pm Mass Wallace James Reed (11th A)	10.15am/10.30am Exposition/Rosary 6.30pm Mass Mary Jukes Ken Hart Eric Riches		2.00pm Rosary
Wednesday 7th September		6.00pm - 6.25pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Bishop A D Galvin (A)		9.30am Mass No Intention	
Thursday 8th September	The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary		9.30am Mass Peggy & Elgar Forster		6.30pm Mass St Mary's Guild
Friday 9th September		12.05pm Mass Boyd & Turnbull Families			
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

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St Patrick's
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THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

MASS INTENTIONS - As there are now a greater number of masses during the week, there have been some masses for which there was no intention. There has been a long tradition of asking the priest to pray for an intention during a particular mass. The offering attached to the request is a contribution to the priest for his daily expenses. There is no set amount for the offering and mass will still be said even if an offering is not possible. Envelopes for Mass Intentions/ Offerings can be found at the back of Church.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS - As a result of local Bank Branches closing it is becoming increasingly difficult to deposit monies received each week from the Sunday Collection. If possible, would you consider making your weekly/monthly offering by Standing Order? Forms to be completed and handed into your bank are available at the back of church. If you wish to Gift Aid your donations, see below.

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@holyyouth.co.uk or speak to him in school next term.

ACCOMPANERS 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

years 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 4th September.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH FLOWERS - This week our flowers are sponsored this week by Ann Feeny In loving memory of her husband Brian Feeny

ST PATRICK'S GARDENING CLUB - Next meeting Saturday 10th September. All are Welcome.

EDUCATION SUNDAY - Next Sunday, 11th September, is Education Sunday. A special collection will be taken for Catholic Education.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION - The Diocesan Church Music Association invite you to attend a short workshop led by Alison McLean (Director of Music at St Cuthbert's, Durham) and Paul Berry (Director of Music at St Mary's, Hexham) on Sunday 25th September, 3.00-5.00pm at St Cuthbert's Church, Durham, DH1 3HL. The workshop will explore new music for the communion procession. For more information about the workshop and to book your place, please visit the Diocesan website. Advanced booking is essential, please book by Friday 16th September. <https://diocesehn.org.uk/whats-on/event/music-for-communion/>

NEW READERS OF THE LITURGY OF THE WORD - The following Liturgical Ministry course will take place at St. Joseph's, Fellgate, Jarrow, NE32 4PJ, on Tuesday 13th September at 7.00-9.00pm and Saturday 17th September 10.00am-4.00pm. The cost is £12.50 to attend. Deadline for booking is Sunday 11th September (or when the course is full). Please visit <https://bit.ly/Liturgy2022> to book, or contact adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk. A commissioning Mass will take place on the Saturday. Attendees are invited to bring a packed lunch on the full day.

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 23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

Who can divine the will of God?

What man indeed can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord?
The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;
for a perishable body presses down the soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.
It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,
laborious to know what lies within our reach;
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?
As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from above?
Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened
and men been taught what pleases you,
and saved, by Wisdom.

Response: O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10,12-17

He is a slave no longer, but a dear brother in the Lord

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-33

Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

REFLECTION

We all live busy lives, often finding that we must sacrifice one thing for another or that one person needs are put off while we give our time to someone else. We rarely find time for ourselves. We are faced, daily, with choices in the knowledge that, whatever choice we make, someone will have to go without. Was life always like this or have we, in our busy lives, finally ran out of time? There is a cost to the choices we make, and this is evident from the readings this Sunday. The choice today is how do we serve God and each other? The first reading sets out the problem. We have a limited capacity to think, to understand, to know and to love. God, on the other hand, has an unlimited capacity for all those things. So how can we, as mortal human beings, serve a God who is all knowing, all powerful and all love. The answer comes at the end of the reading; we must seek the wisdom of God whose spirit will guide us in our choices. So pray for God's wisdom and seek his guidance and, though it may come slowly, the wisdom of God will show you the way. Paul was touched by the wisdom of God. Today he writes from prison to Philemon on behalf of a runaway slave called Onesimus. Though Onesimus is a great help to Paul, he sees it as his duty to Philemon to return to him his slave. He appeals to Philemon not to treat harshly with Onesimus because of the service he has given to Paul. We are all slaves in our world today; we may not be in chains, but the demands of life leave us with very little spare time. Paul lets Onesimus go, what can you let go to give more time to serving Christ? In the Gospel passage Jesus spells out very clearly the cost that may be demanded if we are to follow him. The loss of family was a very real threat to those who followed Christ. They risked everything for him because they believed in the kingdom he was preparing. You should never resent the sacrifices you may have to make for Christ; always give thanks, for the reward for your service is eternal life.

David Frank

Daily Readings



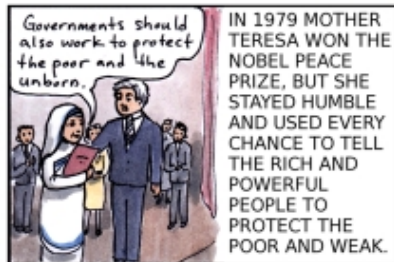
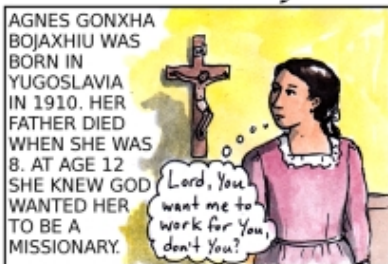
OUR PRAYERS

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 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: Elizabeth Siddell, John Flannery, Patricia Ward, Stephen Hockett. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Wendy Horseman, Marguerite Kirwan, Laurie Butler, Jack Brannan, Ray Worthy, Wallace James Reed, Peter Alan Liddle, Maurice Weegram, Christopher Hodgson, David Capocci, Peter Standen, Clare Caffrey, Debra Hall, Paul Lennard, John McGarry (Snr), Peggy Forster, Bill Cope, Bill Rodriguez, Tyler Smailes, Marie Heslop, Doreen Botham, Steven Gibbon, Walter Hay, Joyce McMorris, Kathleen Peacock, Norah Faulkner, Ken Fawcett, Patrick Sullivan, Kathleen Finney, Mary Ellen Hartin, Mary Gofton, Owen Cawley 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: Saint Teresa of Calcutta September 5



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1997. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO DEFEND AND HELP THOSE WHO CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND UNBORN CHILDREN. WE ALSO LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLE THAT WE NEED TO SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH JESUS EVERY DAY.

Psalm 90 Word-Find

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See if you can find all the words from today's Psalm that are written in CAPITALS. The leftover letters tell what we are doing when we pray this Psalm.



A THOUSAND YEARS in thy sight are but as YESTERDAY when it is past, or as a WATCH in the NIGHT.

Thou dost SWEEP men AWAY; they are like a DREAM, like GRASS which is RENEWED in the morning: in the MORNING it flourishes and is renewed; in the EVENING it FADES and withers.

So teach us to number our DAYS that we may get a HEART of WISDOM. Return, O LORD! How long? Have PITY on thy SERVANTS!

SATISFY us in the morning with thy steadfast LOVE, that we may REJOICE and be GLAD all our days.