

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 15th June 2025

*Live stream: www.youtube.com/@HolyFamilyHartlepool

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 14th June	(Vigil) The Most Holy Trinity	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Colin & Carol Price Diamond Wedding Anniversary		6.00pm Mass Elizabeth & David Murray	
Sunday 15th June	The Most Holy Trinity	10.30am Mass Nancy & Harry Wilkinson	9.00am Mass Ellen Parry		
Monday 16th June		6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Hilary I. Martins Udeze	12.00pm Requiem Mass Charles Sonny Collin		
Tuesday 17th June		12.05pm Mass Janice Graham			
Wednesday 18th June				10.00am Mass at Hartfields Retirement Village Arthur Vokes	
Thursday 19th June			9.30am Mass Maurice Brown		
Friday 20th June		12.05pm Mass Ian & Linda Fraser Golden Wedding Anniversary			
Saturday 21st June	(Vigil) The Body & Blood of Christ	3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Gerald Burley		6.00pm Mass Madge Facchini	
Sunday 22nd June	The Body & Blood of Christ	10.30am Mass Tony Cawley 80th Birthday Remembrance	9.00am Mass Rose Caffery (Birthday Remembrance)		

SCHOOL MASSES

St Bega's Monday 16th June - 9.30am Mass	St Cuthbert's Tuesday 17th June - 9.30am Mass
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Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, in Baptism You called us by name and made us members of Your family, the Church. Help all people to know their vocation in life and to respond by living a life of holiness. For Your greater glory and for the service of Your people, raise up dedicated and generous men who will serve as priests for the Church of Hexham and Newcastle. Send Your Spirit to guide and strengthen our communities, our seminarians and all who are discerning their vocation. Amen.

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Opening Hours
10am - 2pm
Monday to Friday

Parish Centre
Grosvenor Street
Hartlepool
TS26 8DP

Churches

St Joseph's

St Paul's Road
TS26 9EY

St Patrick's

Owton Manor Lane
TS25 3QG

St John Vianney's

King Oswy Drive
West View Estate
TS24 9LX

St Mary's

Durham Street
TS24 0HD

Weekly Groups

Sun: After 9am Mass
Coffee Morning @ St Patrick's Hall

Sun: After 10.30am Mass
Coffee Morning @ Parish Centre Hall

Mon: 11am-12pm
Praise & Worship Prayer Group
@ Nazareth Room, Parish Centre

Tues: 12.30pm-2.30pm
Lunch Club @ Parish Centre Hall

Tues: 1pm-3pm
Over 60s Club @ St Patrick's Hall

Sat: As Announced
Coffee Evening @ St John Vianney's

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

JUBILEE 2025 - The opening times of the Holy Door this week are as follows:

Monday: 6pm – 7pm

Tuesday: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Wednesday & Thursday: By appointment only

Friday: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Saturday: 2.30pm – 5pm

Sunday: 9.30am – 12pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Application forms for infant Baptism are available at the back of each Church. Please return completed forms to the parish office and come along to a Preparation Meeting to secure your booking. The next Preparation Meeting is on Wednesday 6th August at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026 - Application forms are available at the back of our churches to register for the coming year's First Holy Communion programme, which will begin in September. The programme is open to children from current Year 3 and above. All completed forms must be returned to the parish office no later than 18th July 2024. There will be a parents meeting on Wednesday 17th September at 6:30pm in St Joseph's Church.

GARDENING - As you will notice, it is that time of the year again when the garden areas around our churches are in need of a little bit of attention. If you have any spare time and feel so inclined, many hands make light work. Please do feel free to come along any time and do a little weeding around our church gardens.

CERTIFICATE COLLECTION - We have several First Holy Communion certificates which weren't collected in May. They are available from the parish office at your earliest convenience. We also have an abundance of Baptism certificates which have been requested and never collected. Each certificate takes time and resources to produce, we kindly ask that you respect this effort by ensuring your certificate is collected promptly.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2025 - The final arrangements are now in place for our pilgrimage to Walsingham. The pilgrimage will take place from 21st July until 24th July (Mon–Thurs), and the cost will be £340 per person; this includes Bed, Breakfast and Evening meal. There will also be a Day Trip. We now need final names for the pilgrimage, please put your name on the list at the back of Church. The money for the pilgrimage can either be paid in installments or in full at the parish office. For more information, please contact Roisheen Hunter on 07914946316.

SVP SUMMER RAFFLE - Raffle tickets for the Summer Draw are available at the back of St Joseph's Church. All monies and ticket counterfoils to be returned no later than Sunday 3rd August.

200 CLUB - There are numbers available if anybody wishes to join. Annual payment £25, Half yearly £12.50 and Quarterly £6.25. Each month we draw prizes of £150, £75, and £25. Please contact the parish office to join. Thanks.

MASS REQUESTS - To help us better organise Mass intentions for the benefit of the whole parish, please place all Mass envelopes in the collection basket or hand them in directly to the parish office. While we will do our best to accommodate your request, we cannot guarantee the availability of specific dates so we kindly ask for at least 6 months notice, Mass requests will be said in the order they are received otherwise. Please do not give Mass envelopes to individual clergy or parish members, as they may be inadvertently misplaced or confused. Thank you for your cooperation.

DAY FOR LIFE - A collection will be taken this weekend.

WELCOME - We welcome those who have been Baptised so far throughout Liturgical Year C: Charles Conroy, Mabel Sargent, Merel Dos Santos Mateus, Rory Gilbraith, Runor Ohwodiasa, Scarlett Quinn, Arthur Nixon, Deryan-Leigh Brogden, Grace Gonzalez, Jacob Myers, Jude Forcer, Chester-Thomas Ord, Mikey Grout, Theo Garrity, Bennett Gate, Brendan Murphy, Etta Stephenson, Jackson Waller, Louie-Marc Hodge, Madisynn Cattley, Nathan Zak, Oliver Adams, Ivy Cope, Maeve Finn, Sonny Jeffery, Elijah Langley, Elizabeth Tulakepa, Margot Flounders, Matilda Mallinson, Sadie Lithgo, Alfie Wass, Amelia Wass, Freddie Scott, Freddie Livingston, Hunter Riches, and Hunter Eklöf. May God continue to guide and bless you all.

FUNERALS (EXTRA ECCLESIAM) - Internment of ashes of Denise Ann Harper on Monday 16th June, at 1.30pm.

Mass of Christ the Saviour

*Glory to God. Glory to God. Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly king, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand,
the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes, who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

PARISH DONATIONS - Anyone wishing to provide regular giving, you can instruct your bank to set up a standing order using these details:



Beneficiary: DHN Holy Family Hartlepool

Account Number: 11173928

Sort Code: 40-34-45

We are also able to take contactless donations. Please scan the QR code to make a one-off donation, or use our digital collection plate at the back of St Joseph's Church.

Thank you.

First reading: Proverbs 8:22-31

Before the beginning of the earth, Wisdom was brought forth.

Thus says the Wisdom of God: The Lord possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man.

Response: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Brothers and Sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
the God who is and who was and who is to come.

Alleluia.

Gospel Reading: John 16:12-15

'All that the Father has is mine; the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

REFLECTION

It is impossible to fully describe the Trinity, to me, it is a mixture of all the power, mystery and wonder of a loving God who knows me as myself and somehow cherishes that knowledge knowing that I am flawed but still a perfect part of His creation. If only we could grasp the reality of that love; we never seem to understand that with all our strengths and weaknesses, despite all our successes and failures, we are truly loved as a perfect human being.

Whenever I read today's passage from the Book of Proverbs my thoughts lead me to the Holy Spirit. The words are ascribed to Solomon, but the message comes from a very ancient culture which saw the work of God in every thought of man. The second line "At first, before the beginning of the earth when there were no depths I was brought forth" reminds me of a line from the first verse of Genesis, "God's Spirit hovered over the waters". When we read this passage, we can see that God's hand is always guiding and caring for he is "delighting in the children of man".

Paul's letter to the Romans reminds us that it is through our faith that we find peace with God. This is not the peace that the world gives; this peace comes through "suffering". Paul sees suffering as a stepping stone to a life of faith. Suffering gives us the strength to endure whatever life throws at us; it builds character and creates in us a feeling of hope for the future. Each of these steps brings us closer to the love of God and so the way to God is "poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us".

In John's Gospel Jesus speaks of the Spirit of Truth; and how "he will lead you to the complete truth. Since the day of Pentecost, the church has been moving towards that truth that Jesus speaks of. The revelation of the truth is a continuing process, and the church continues to gain fresh insights into the depth of God's mercy. A pivotal moment in the church's story was the second Vatican Council. We are the children of the council, and we are called to continue its work. At this time of falling numbers in our clergy and laity we can fail to see the way forward but if we keep our faith in the Holy Spirit then, in time, all will be revealed.

David Frank

Daily Readings



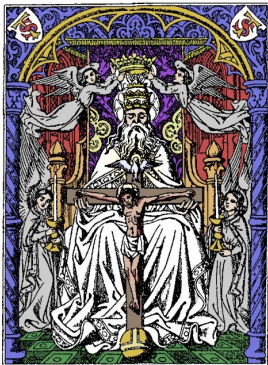
OUR PRAYERS

The sick of the Parish: Annie Airey, Stephen Anderson, Maureen Andrews, Neil Apedaile, Pat Baker, Kathleen Barlow, Carole Bew, Michael Blackford, Dennis Bratt, Ronnie Burnett, Kay Burns, Sarah Carroll, Rita Charlton, Veronica Cochrane, Daniel Cosby, Betty Crane, James Daley, Neil Davis, Louise Dixon, Natalie Eglintine, Teresa Falkingham, Grace Fallow, Lorraine Galen, Dorothy Geen, David Geen, Catherine Gray, Mary Harris, Andrew Haygarth, Jamie Hitchen, Bella Hoey, Muriel Howe, Molly Hughes, Carol Hutchinson, Peter Johnson, Christine Jones, Ceilia King, Isobel Knowles, Maureen Maguire, Baby Pippa Marie, Vera Marriott, Brenda Mathews, Ian Matthews, Owen McEneaney, James McGee, Lilian McGee, Fr Seamus McGivern, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mghee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Ann Mullins, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, June Nolan, Sylvice Notrianni, Joe O'Connor, Myra Pattison, Carol Price, Damian Rafferty, Pam Robertson, Eric Robinson, Joseph Robinson, Paula Rogers, Kathleen Royds, Hilda Ryan, Agnes Scully, Michael Christopher Sheeran, Corazon Simpson, Marie Spindlow, Matthew Steel, Brenda Stott, Brett Swain, Gail Symington, Melvin Thackeray, Lynsey Todd, Kieran Turnbull, John Twydale, Norma Twydale, Jonathon Vokes, Julie Wallace, Edith Wilson. **Through our prayers may the healing presence of Christ be with them at this time.**

Recently Deceased: Charles Sonny Collin. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Edie Wigham, Grace Mary Windsor, Peter Allen, Robert Gibbon, Jenny Stevenson, Joseph Tyson, Maureen Reilly Thomas King, Christina Hays, Robert Riches, Thomas Kelly, Thomas Watson, Andrew Buchan, Nora Harrison, Julie Readman, Angela Parker, Patricia Stebbings, Michael Bede Talbot, Mark Proudlock, Mary Hair, John Cambridge, Brian Graves, Carol Hayes, Jimmy McGoogan, Veronica Nicholson, David Thompson, Terence Edward (Terry) Ness, Barbara Charters, Margaret Cowley, Nellie Forrest, Janice Marie Graham, Robert Dryden, Edna Burgon, Jane Elizabeth Graham, Judy Harrison, Gwen Travers, Molly & Mattie Robson, Arthur Vokes, George Boagey, Mary Jane Robson, Mary Tyreman, Rose Hansell, Patrick Cronin, Lily Ingledew, Dorothy Holton, Ken Middleton, Alfred Wood, Francis Albert Keegan, John Mulcahy, Edwin Stockdale, Norman Harker, Dennis Wrightson, Margaret Craddy, Arthur Skinner, Matthew Robson, Clare Witty, Ann Harker, Mary Ingledew, Grace Stabler, Katherine Neduvellil, Selina Deathers, Gladys Mary Harrion, Martin & Maria Mullins, 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 Blessed Trinity

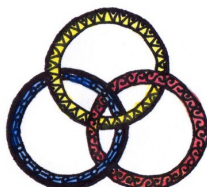
Today we celebrate the feast day of the Blessed Trinity. The word Trinity is a title for God that tells us that He is three Persons in one God.

Before Jesus came, the people didn't know that God was a Trinity. The Israelites knew that there was only one God, but they didn't know very much about Him. Jesus showed the people that there were three Persons in God when He taught them about Himself and the Father and the Holy Spirit.

The three Persons in the Blessed Trinity are all equal but different. We cannot understand this, but we believe it because Jesus taught it. It is one of the Mysteries of our Faith.

What does the Holy Trinity do for us? We know that God the Father made everything and we are intended to go back to Him. The Holy Spirit guides us towards Him, and Jesus is the way.

Every time you make the Sign of the Cross or say the "Glory Be" you are praying to the Blessed Trinity.



The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
Sunday June 15th, 2025



John 16.12-15

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The shamrock or clover can be used to represent the Blessed Trinity, one God in three Persons. Look in the mirror to find a prayer to the Trinity.