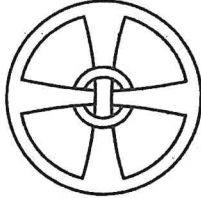


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Parish of St Thomas of Canterbury

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Parish Website



Week beginning: Sunday, 9th November, 2025.

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Daily Readings



Day and date	Holy Mass and Services	Intentions
Sunday 9 th November The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Remembrance Sunday	Sunday Holy Mass at Holy Rosary at 10.00 AM	Private Intention
Monday 10 th November St. Leo the Great	Rosary will be recited at 9.40 AM Holy Mass at Holy Rosary at 10.00 AM	Frankie Miller
Tuesday 11 th November St Martin of Tours	Holy Mass in St Joseph's School at 10.00 AM	Sally Devine
Wednesday 12 th November St Josaphat	Exposition & Evening Prayer at Holy Rosary at 6.15 PM	
	Holy Mass at Holy Rosary at 7.00 PM	Trevor Pennington
Thursday 13 th November	No Mass Jubilee Visit to St. Joseph's Hartlepool	
Friday 14 th November	Holy Mass at St John's at 10.00 AM	Martin Quinn
Saturday 15 th November Vigil Mass for 33rd Sunday of the Year	Confessions at St John's from 10.00 to 10.30 AM	
	Vigil Holy Mass at St John's at 5.30 PM	Parishioners
Sunday 16 th November 33rd Sunday of the Year	Sunday Holy Mass at Holy Rosary at 10.00 AM No Confessions this Saturday	Ken & Monica Sharp

Please pray for the sick:				
Sheila Allen	Maureen Braithwaite	Carol Brownlee	Ann Christeson	Robert Dalton
Bill Devine	Judy Houchen	Sheila Hunt	Brian Kane	Mary Langsdale
Sarah McAllister	Rev. Dan Mckie	Grace Ollie	Christine Rooney	Bill Simpson
Fr. John Skivington	Peter Smith	Judith Sowerby	Margaret Wilkie	Kate Williams

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Thomas Peters, Brian Nichols, Bridget McGoldrick, Georgina McQuilling, Vivian Suttill, Helen Webb, Christopher Madden, Edmund (Eddie) Wilson, Frankie Miller, Neil Davis, Trevor Pennington, Chris Allison, Stephen Allison, Denis Murphy, Audrey Upton.

May they rest in Peace. Amen.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Joseph's Hartlepool
Thursday 13th November. The coach will leave the Swan bus stop at 10:15. The Jubilee Stations and Mass will be from 11:00 until 12:30 followed by a Fish and Chip lunch in the Parish Hall. The coach will return at 13:45 dropping off at the Swan bus stop at 14:15. If you require any further information, please contact Jane Kelly - SVP - on 07584575541.

Bishop Stephen is due to visit our parish on the weekend of Christ the King (22nd /23rd November). He will preside at both Masses and he hopes to meet with as many parishioners as possible. After each Mass we are going to hold a reception to extend the opportunity for everyone to speak with him. To help us plan for numbers please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - Candlelight Procession The Parish of Christ the King will be holding a Candlelight Marian Procession on Sunday 7th December at 5.30pm for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Please see posters at back of church and website for details

RCIA Group for those becoming members of the Catholic Church meets Wednesdays after 7.00 PM Mass.

Donations to the Clergy Training Fund - these can continue to be made until 23rd November, 2025.

SVP fundraising night at Billingham Catholic club. Please come and join Jeremy McMurray and friends for a fund raising night of live entertainment on Tuesday, 2nd December from 7.00 pm. Funds raised will help with Christmas hampers for those in need. **Bottles and raffle prizes** for our tombola would be very welcome: please leave them at the back of church. Tickets available after Masses this weekend at £5.00 each. Any queries - contact Jane Kelly on 07584 57551. Does anyone have a need for a single bed (in excellent condition), or know someone in need of a bed? If you do, please speak to a member of the SVP. **SVP coffee morning photos:** please see web notices

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Mrs Birrell, the Headteacher, writes: Do you know a child who is due to start Reception in September 2026? Or have a child looking for a nursery place in the near future? We would like to invite prospective parents to come along and visit our fabulous new school building, on Thursday 13th November 2025 at 3:30pm. Please contact the school office on 01642 560056 or office@stjosephsbillingham.bhcet.org.uk for more details and to confirm your attendance. Come and see our wonderful learning environment and meet our dedicated staff. Also please see web notices regarding arrangements for closure of the old School.

Friendship Group Pensioner's Christmas Party
The Party will take place on Saturday, 29th November from 1.00 – 4.00 PM in St Joseph's School Hall. Tickets on sale at the back of the Church: they are £3.00 each.

Our online Quiz Final top scorers for Fr Adrian's quiz: Alison Truck, Pat, Joan, Patrick Kenealy, Patty, Mary and Jane. Final top scorers for Joan Nicholas' quiz: Mason and Samuel Bulmer. Well done to all. Use the link on the website to add your ideas for a quiz.

Day of Reflection and Formation for Catechists
Day of Reflection and Formation for Catechists To support volunteer catechists (sacramental prep, RCIA/Alpha) and those considering the role, a day of reflection and identifying formation needs is offered twice. Dates are 15th November (10:30 AM - 3:00 PM) at St Augustine's Parish Centre, Darlington (TBC), and 29th November (10:30 AM - 3:00 PM) at St Joseph's, Hartlepool. The day is free, but booking is essential for numbers. Please bring a packed lunch. For info or to book, email formation.cleveland@diocesehn.org.uk (see website for details).

Preparation Meeting for Baptism There will be a meeting for Parents/Carers of children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism in the near future - Thursday, 13th Nov., 2025 at 6.15 PM in the Medway.

Administrator Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes
Salary Scale £30,000 to £31,855 FTE Supporting Father Shaun Purdy. Please see the website for details of the post and how to apply if interested.

A Special Mass for all those who have died during the last Year will be held on Wednesday, 19th November at 7.00pm. We shall remember all those whose funerals took place in Billingham since the Mass last November. If you would like to include anyone whose funeral took place elsewhere, please add their names to the list at the back of the church.

Apostleship of the Sea: Christmas Box Appeal.
We are collecting items for seafarers who are away from home over the holidays. This year, we need items suitable for male seafarers. Please drop off contributions or cash donations (lists available) at the back of the church by November 16th. Please see web notices for more details.

All our yesterdays Do you have photos, videos or memories to add? Help us preserve our history for future generations by speaking with Fr Adrian.

No Scripture Group this week.

Live streaming: will be resumed as soon as possible (please see web notice for more detail)

September 400 Club Winners				
£100	40	Mary Toth;	£100	390 P Hewitt
£50	141	K Wilson;	£50	396 M Dineen

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O God, who chose to foreshadow for us
the heavenly Jerusalem
through the sign of your Church on earth,
grant, we pray,
that, by our partaking of this Sacrament,
we may be made the temple of your grace
and may enter the dwelling place of your glory.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

