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 10th November 2024

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Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 9th November	(Vigil) 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	(11.00am Remembrance Service Stranton Cemetery) 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Special Intention (Studies LV-LM)		6.00pm Mass Deceased Members of the Timlin Family	
Sunday 10th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Marie & Alan Ferguson (11.00am Remembrance Service Victory Square)	9.00am Mass Atherton, Gibson & Jeffries Families		
Monday 11th November	St Martin Of Tours	1.00pm Funeral Service John Hurst 6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Michael Donelly (A)			
Tuesday 12th November	St Josaphat	12.05pm Mass November Mass for the Deceased			
Wednesday 13th November				10.00am Requiem Mass Joan Malone 1.00pm Funeral Service Norma Durkin	
Thursday 14th November			9.30am Mass November Mass for the Deceased		
Friday 15th November		12.05pm Mass Joaquina Renacia (A)			
Saturday 16th November	(Vigil) 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00am Baptism 1.00pm-2.00pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Gerald Burley		12.00pm Baptisms 6.00pm Mass George & Peggy Heal	
Sunday 17th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Special Intention (J.B.)	9.00am Mass Paul Lennard		

SCHOOL MASSES				
St Cuthbert's	St Joseph's			
Monday 11th November - 10.30am Mass	Tuesday 12th November - 9.30am Mass			

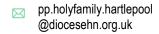
Prayer for Vocations

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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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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - Bishop Stephen will join us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on 27th November at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church. Please come along to this celebration and support the young people of our parish.

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 Wed 11th December at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

JUBILEE 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE - Pope Francis has announced that next years Jubilee will have the theme Pilgrims of Hope. Similar to the last Holy year, he has also enabled Bishops throughout the world to open Holy Doors in their own dioceses so that all of the faithful can participate. Bishop Stephen has asked our parish to welcome pilgrims during this Year of Jubilee and that a Holy Door be opened at St Joseph's Church.

Further to our meeting in which we discussed the practicalities as a parish of hosting the Holy Door, we have established a team of volunteers for each day who will be able to act as welcomers. The welcomers will open the church, prepare for Mass and simply be a presence in the church whilst it is open. There is still need for further volunteers to join the teams, if you are able to help with this, please contact Laura in the office. In addition to our own volunteers, Bishop Stephen has requested for priests and laity from around the diocese to support us in welcoming pilgrims. Initially it is thought that the Holy Door will be open every day, Monday to Friday 11am-2.30pm, Saturday 1pm-5pm, and Sunday 9.30am-Noon.

NOVEMBER MASSES - During the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls, there will be Mass offered each week in each church of our parish for our deceased relatives and friends. A basket is in front of the altar in each of the churches of the parish in which you can place an envelope containing the names of those loved ones who have died together with a donation towards the masses that will be offered. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

DBS ONLINE UPDATE SERVICE - For those volunteers who are on the safeguarding online update service, there is a letter at the back of church as you now need to confirm that you are still a volunteer and need a DBS. Any issues, please contact Sarah on 07921560989 or sarahboagey@gmail.com

STELLA MARIS APPEAL - Brenda Bland is gratefully accepting donations of what might be included in 'shoe box' type Christmas gifts for our seafarers including: socks, toiletries, chocolate, sweets, small calendar, puzzle books, playing cards, and things which may prove useful to the seafarer during long voyages. We encourage you to include a Christmas card to the seafarer with a few words of greeting for the festive season and New Year. Donations can be left in the bins at the back of Church. Many thanks for your continued support to Stella Maris.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - The SVP would like you to let them know if the person you visit has no family or friends, and would benefit from a Christmas gift. Please get in touch with the parish office if so, and we will pass the details onto the SVP.

VOLUNTEER CENSUS - If you volunteer within the Diocese, we would like to invite you to take part in the volunteer census. This can be done electronically through the QR code, or at https://bit.ly/DHNVolunteers. Paper forms are also available at the back of church.



AN ADVENT HAPPENING - Join us in St Patrick's Hall on Friday 29th November 2024 from 7.30pm for a Pie and Peas Supper, tea and coffee, with a quiz, bingo, raffle and good company! Bring own drinks. Tickets available from this weekend at £5 each. Please advise ticket seller of any dietary needs.

COFFEE AFTER MASS AT ST JOHN VIANNEY'S CHURCH - Coffee will be available after the 6pm Vigil Mass on November 16th. All are welcome.

NEW SUNDAY MISSAL - The CTS New Sunday Missal for 2025 is now available. It presents the revised texts of the Lectionary, along with the Order of Mass, starting from the first Sunday of Advent. It is priced at £19.95, with a red hardback cover. If sufficient orders are received, we can attract a discounted price. Please let the office know if you would like to place an order.

THE NEW LECTIONARY - The new Lectionaries will be in use from Advent this year. More information is available on our website at https://holyfamilyhartlepool.org/new-lectionary. Thank you everyone who contributed, your dedications are available to view in the churches of our parish.

Mass of Christ the Saviour

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.

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

'Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring me a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth.""

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ, our high priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing himself

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44

This poor widow has put in more than all

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

REFLECTION

The world is full of ordinary people; the little ones who have no power; who live their lives as best they can and die remembered only by those whose lives have been touched by their goodness. Today's readings celebrate the little people, the unnoticed, those who are small by the world's standards but who are in fact giants in the eyes of God.

In the passage from Kings, we meet a poor widow and her son. They live in a land beset by famine and are slowly dying of hunger. Into their lives comes a prophet, Elijah, reduced by circumstances to a wandering beggar. He asks the widow for a share of whatever food and water she has and the woman, in her compassion, agrees to share what she has for herself and her son with him. This simple act of charity has its reward as God has plans for Elijah and ensures that the food they have will last until the famine is broken. The meal they share becomes the bread and wine of life to them and it stands as a reminder to us that the Eucharist, though a small piece of bread and a drop of wine, has the power to feed and sustain us in our time.

The Gospel from Mark also has, as its central character a poor widow. In a society based on strong family connections to become a widow was one of the worst things that could happen to anyone. Men were the breadwinners and a woman without a man, often with young children, was prey to all the abuses that society lays upon the weak and helpless. We are fortunate in this country to have a welfare state as a safety net for those left in this position but in many countries such women are left to beg in the streets for their daily bread. Her offering to the temple may have been tiny compared to the wealth of the scribes but it came from her poverty whereas they gave a little from a full purse. The size of the gift is not the true measure of a person's contribution to others, it is in the spirit of that giving which is really important and valued in the eyes of Our Lord.

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, Bella Hoey, Muriel Howe, Molly Hughes, Carol Hutchinson, Peter Johnson, Christine Jones, Ceilia King, Isobel Knowles, Frank Kozorowski, Maureen Maguire, Baby Pippa Marie, Vera Marriott, Ian Matthews, Colin McDonald, Owen McEneaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mghee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Ann Mullins, Bob Mullins, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, June Nolan, Sylvice Notrianni, Joe O'Connor, Winnie Oliver, Myra Pattison, Carol Price, Christine Priestly, Damian Rafferty, Pam Robertson, Eric Robinson, Joseph Robinson, Paula Rogers, Kathleen Royds, Hilda Ryan, Agnes Scully, Michael Christopher Sheeran, Corazon Simpson, Matthew Steel, Brenda Stott, Brett Swain, Gail Symington, Melvin Thackeray, Lynsey Todd, Kieran Turnbull, John Twydale, Norma Twydale, Jonathon Vokes, Julie Wallace, Kay Wallace, James Walsh, Tony Wilkinson, Edith Wilson. Through our prayers may the healing presence of Christ be with them at this time.

Recently Deceased: John Hurst, Joan Malone, Norma Durkin, Cliff Ferness, Jimmy Gibson. May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Francis Whitehead, Jimmy O'Connor, Margaret McGarry, Dorothea Lillian Swain, Ann Roe, Philip Hickey, William Vincent Lithgo, Jean King, Peggy Heal, Lenny Boagey, Edward Joseph Sullivan, Joan Hanson, Jimmy Gaffney, Rosemary Calvert, Mavis Stainsby, Christine Cafferkey, John Walsh, Margaret Ayres, Eileen McConnell, Catherine Pamela Middleton, Emily Thornton, Mary Stamp, Pam Middleton, Helen (Nellie) Johnson, Margaret Rose Rutter, Patrick Price, Andrew Parsons, Dennis Hooks, Peter Ayre, Thomas Cawley, Robert Gardner, Terry Dwyer, Doreen Delafield, Norah Willingham, Thomas Frederick Amerigo, Edith Pearson, George Lancaster, Pauline Fidgeon, Lawrence Timlin, Kathleen McClelland, George William Metcalf, 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:

giving to god

In today's first reading we hear about a widow who was asked to give away all the food she had. In the Gospel Jesus points out a woman who put all her money into the Temple treasury.

It pleases God when He sees us sharing what we have with the poor and the Church. But do you think He wants us to give everything away?

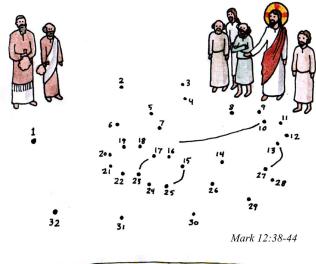
Everything we have comes from God and He wants us to use it well. That's called being a good steward. It means using what we need for ourselves, but making sure that we always give to the Church and those in need.

What would a bad steward do?

How can you be a good steward with your money?

The Kids' Bulletin

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In today's Gospel reading Jesus saw a poor woman putting everything she had into the Temple treasury. How much was it? Connect the dots to find out!

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