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 19th May 2024

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Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 18th May	(Vigil) Pentecost	12.00pm-2.00pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass		10.00am Baptism 6.00pm Mass Thanksgiving	
Sunday 19th May	Pentecost	Terry Collins (13th A) 10.30am Mass Sheila Butcher	9.00am Mass Fr Dermot Donnelly		
Monday 20th May	Mary, Mother of the Church	6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass R T M Hey			
Tuesday 21st May		12.05pm Mass James Lynch (B/Day A)	6.30pm Mass Special Intention (Grandsons)		
Wednesday 22nd May				9.30am Mass Raymond & Eileen Biddle	
Thursday 23rd May	Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest				
Friday 24th May		12.05pm Mass Bev & Keith's Nuptial Blessing			
Saturday 25th May	(Vigil) The Most Holy Trinity	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Charles Hewitt (B/Day A)		6.00pm Mass Joan Cooper	
Sunday 26th May	The Most Holy Trinity	10.30am Mass David & Michael Windram	9.00am Mass Arthur Vokes (Birthday Remembrance)		

SCHOOL SERVICES

No School Masses this week

Parish Clergy

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St Joseph's

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St Patrick's

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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

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.







THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

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 the next Preparation Meeting on Wednesday 5th June, at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

GIFT AID - The new Tax year is upon us, and all envelopes have been distributed. If you have any problems or if you wish to join the scheme, please contact Laura in the Parish Office. If you require a 2022/23 acknowledgement letter for tax purposes, please contact the parish office and one will be issued.

DEACON JOSEPH'S ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD -

Deacon Joseph will be ordained in St Mary's Cathedral on 20th July 2024. He will continue his studies in Rome for a further two years, during which he will spend his holidays here in the Holy Family Parish. We will have a collection nearer to his ordination as a present from the parish. Please keep Deacon Joseph in your prayers as he makes his final preparations.

HOLY ISLAND BUS - Brenda Bland is organising a bus to Holy Island on Saturday 29th June, leaving St Joseph's Church at 9am. Free packed lunch included. Cost is £15 per person. Leaving Holy Island at 7.15pm. There are sign up sheets at the back of each church if you would like to reserve any seats.

ST BEGA'S SCHOOL NOTICE - 15 and 30 hour nursery places are available from September 2024. Please contact the school for more information or to arrange a visit: call 01429 267768 or email admin@stbegas.bhcet.org.uk.

SIGNIFICANCE FESTIVAL WEEKEND - YMT look forward to welcoming you to the Significance Festival Weekend this June, in particular for the main event on Saturday 29th June, from 10am onwards. There will be a favre of stalls and activities, sessions for children and young people, guest speakers and live music, spread across the Emmaus Youth Village, which will be open for you to enjoy in the beautiful Derwent Valley! We welcome everyone to gather for Mass for the Feast of St Peter and Paul at 3.15pm, with Bishop Stephen, followed by a BBQ and Ceilidh in the evening. Individuals, families, and parish groups are all welcome. For additional details and to book, please email Nicole at nsalkeld@ymt.org. Single or shared accommodation and camping areas are available to book (all self-catered), for Friday and Saturday nights. Tickets for the Saturday evening BBQ are £10 each. Entry on Saturday for the speakers, fayre, Mass, and ceilidh is FREE (additional charges apply for accommodation, camping and the BBQ) - but we hope this day will be welcoming, fun and affordable for all the family and individuals of all ages!

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.

RECEPTION OF NON CATHOLIC SPOUSES - Next meeting is on Wednesday 5th June at 7pm in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

ITALIAN EVENING - Thank you to all who made our parish social event so successful. Thank you to the social committee, those who attended and those who provided food and entertainment.

ALTERNATIVE GARDEN PARTY—We will be meeting at St Patrick's on Saturday 25th May from 9:30am to work on the gardens, if you can help, please come along. Please bring your own gardening tools.

SYNODAL VISION FOR THE DIOCESE - In order to grow as a synodal Church it is important that we all have a chance to pray and discern how the Holy Spirit is inviting us to grow in mission in our parishes and communities. To facilitate this, I together with others, offer an initial Diocesan vision for your prayerful reflection. Our discerned Diocesan commitments are: To Walk with Jesus and Enable Others to Encounter Him; To grow as One Diocesan Family- Rebuilding Relationships; Forming and Developing People for Mission; Living Justly and Caring for Our Common Home. Each of these commitments are developed in the vision. It is not my intention to impose this vision. It is offered for further reflection and I invite all of our parishes and communities to prayerfully reflect on them.

To support the delivery of this vision there will be local training available. If you are interested in this please speak with Canon Paul

A copy of the vision is displayed at the back of each church.

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.

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First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Response: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

REFLECTION

Today is the birthday of the Church. It was born today in the upper room in scenes that are described in our first reading of rushing wind and tongues of fire. Although these events were almost two thousand years ago there is a sense that they are of today for every time there is a Baptism the events of Pentecost are recalled as the Holy Spirit descends on another child of God. In each generation we discover the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives through the living witness of the scriptures as Jesus, through the Gospels, and those early Apostles in their letters, continue to speak to us and inspire us across the centuries.

In our second reading Paul speaks to us of the fruits of the Spirit. To come to an understanding of these fruits; love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, truthfulness, gentleness, and self-control, I read through them, slowly, deliberately pausing after each word, seeking a name, someone to whom all these attributes could apply. Someone who inspired those around them, who recognised the good in every individual but also saw their brokenness.

When we speak of love our thoughts turn to Jesus who loved us so much that he sacrificed his life for us. He radiated joy, but he also had an aura of peace about him, a peace which the world cannot replicate. He was certainly patient; look at how he accepted Peter's impulsiveness and how he understood the ambitions of the sons of thunder, and their mother! He was kindness and goodness personified; he touched lepers and made them clean, he gave sight to the blind, restored hearing and made the dumb speak, healed those crippled by illness, comforted those in distress and reconciled sinners. Jesus is someone we can trust because he speaks in truth and with authority; he is gentle, giving power and dignity to the children, and to the child within each of us, and always, even in his trial and death, in control of himself and the circumstances he found himself in.

Perhaps the lesson we take from today is that the fruits of the Holy Spirit can make us perfect and, if we do not possess them all, we should aspire to them, for, if we do, then the Kingdom is ours and we can take up the promise of Christ that we too may be consecrated in truth.

David Frank

Daily Readings



OUR PRAYERS

The sick of the Parish: Annie Airey, Stephen Anderson, Maureen Andrews, Neil Apedaile, Pat Baker, Kathleen Barlow, Michael Blackford, Dennis Bratt, Kay Burns, Sarah Carroll, Rita Charlton, Veronica Cochrane, Daniel Cosby, Betty Crane, James Daley, Neil Davis, Louise Dixon, Natalie Eglintine, Teresa Falkingham, Cliff Ferness, Lorraine Galen, Dorothy Geen, David Geen. Mary Harris, Andrew Haygarth, Bella Hoey, John Howe, Muriel Howe, Molly Hughes, Carol Hutchinson, Peter Johnson, Christine Jones, Moira Kelly, Ceilia King, Frank Kozorowski, Maureen Maguire, Joan Malone, Vera Marriott, Ian Matthews, Colin McDonald, Owen McEneaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mghee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, Sylvice Notrianni, Winnie Oliver, Myra Pattison, Carol Price, Christine Priestly, Damian Rafferty, Pam Robertson, Eric Robinson, Joseph Robinson, Paula Rogers, Hilda Ryan, Agnes Scully, Michael Christopher Sheeran, Corazon Simpson, Honor Snowdon, Matthew Steel, Brenda Stott, Brett Swain, Gail Symington, Melvin Thackeray, Lynsey Todd, Kieran Turnbull, John Twydale, Norma Twydale, Jonathon Vokes, 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: May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Theresa Storey, George Healey, Jean McDonals, Eric James Copeland, Pat Caley, Fr. Ciaran McDonnell, Jane Ann (Jenny) Hart, Clare Marie Waugh, Mary Wilkie, Terence (Ted) Allen, Catherine (Kitty) Marine, Ronald Lawrence Vickers, George Henry Heal Watling, John Swift, Barbara Gray, Brian Linighan, Robert Wilmot, Bridget Howard, Brian Tetlow, Kathleen Jackson, Matthias Gallagher, William Gaskarth, Patrick Finnan, Michael Kelly, Thomas Hay, 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:

Happy Birthday, Church!

Did you know that Pentecost Sunday is the Church's birthday? Not the church building, but the people who are the Church.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Why is Pentecost the Church's birthday?

Because on that day, the Holy Spirit first came to the apostles and sent them out to become the Church and to teach the good news about Jesus everywhere in the world.

The Holy Spirit works through the Church. in many ways. He inspired the men who wrote the Bible. He teaches us through priests and missionaries and teachers. Did you know that He even inspires us to pray?

You can pray that God will send you the Holy Spirit

every day. Jesus tells us in the Gospel that God will give the Holy Spirit to whoever asks.

> Answer to Word-Find: native language. Answer to puzzle on front: The Holy Spirit.

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Pentecost Word-Find

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On Pentecost Sunday, when the apostles went out of the upper room, there was a great crowd in Jerusalem for the Jewish feast. So they began to tell the people the good news of Jesus. See if you can find the names of all the different groups of people who were in the city listening to them.

All these people heard the apostles speaking in their

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