

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 27th October 2024

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

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 26th October	(Vigil) 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Audrey McDonald		6.00pm Mass Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes	
Sunday 27th October	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Peter Wilgress	9.00am Mass Sister Philomena O'Grady FCJ		
Monday 28th October	SS Simon & Jude	6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Tony Cawley			
Tuesday 29th October		12.05pm Mass Breda Dignen 1.00pm Funeral Service Andrew McGowan			
Wednesday 30th October		1.00pm Funeral Service Nicholas Murphy		9.30am Mass Andrew Parsons	
Thursday 31st October			10.00am Funeral Service Rita Shave 6.30pm Vigil of All Saints Mass Michael & Mary Regan		
Friday 1st November	All Saints	12.05pm All Saints Mass Veronica Readman (B/Day A)		9.30am All Saints Mass Margaret Lee	
Saturday 2nd November	(Vigil) 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	12.00pm - 1.00pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Private Intention		11.00am Baptisms 6.00pm Mass Michael Linighan	
Sunday 3rd November	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Bob Storer	9.00am Mass Ian & Beth Wilkinson		

SCHOOL MASSES

No School Masses this week due to Half Term

Parish Clergy

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Opening Hours
10am - 2pm
Monday to Friday

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St Joseph's
St Paul's Road
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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

Cancelled over half term

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 CONFIRMATION - We have now begun the preparation programme for the Sacrament of Confirmation on 27th November. The next meeting will be on 30th October, this is the final opportunity to join the Confirmation Programme this year. Application forms are available at the back of our churches and on our website. If anyone in Year 9 or above would like to be Confirmed, please return your completed application form to the parish office.

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 November 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. A meeting will take place on Monday 28th October, after 6.30pm Mass (7pm) in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's for anyone interested in assisting practically around the Church during the Holy Year.

FLAME 2025 - Flame 2025 takes place on Saturday 15th March. It is open to anyone from school year 9 to University/young adult age. YMT is hoping to take a large number of young people (up to 1,000 including accompanying adults). COST: £45 per person (includes return rail travel, Wembley ticket and London travel card). Deposit £20. For those students who attend English Martyrs School, please speak with Mr McCartie, and for those young people who do not attend English Martyrs, please contact David or Colleen Proudlock on 07866986747 or 07575653935. Deadline for applications is November 8th.

HARTLEPOOL FOODBANK - Bins are available at the back of our Churches, taking donations for Hartlepool Foodbank. Any help would be massively appreciated.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - North Tees & Hartlepool Mission to Seafarers Centre are looking for volunteers to welcome seafarers to the Centre, serve behind the shop counter and befriend them. Full training is given. Please contact Aidan Webster for more information on 01642 546424.

CLERGY TRAINING FUND - This Sunday a collection will be taken for the Clergy Training Fund.

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.



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 will be placed 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.

200 CLUB - Quarterly subs (£6.25) are now due.

WELCOME - We welcome those who have been Baptised throughout October: Christopher-James Bell, Darcey Brougham, Grace Smith, Kristikka Krishnakumar, Maeva Musgrave, Maisie Maguire, Martha Kelsey, Mason Linsel, Oliver Dixon, Olwen Snowball, and Ozzy Dawkins.

HOLY FAMILY SOCIAL COMMITTEE - There will be a meeting at 7pm in the Nazareth Room in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's on Wednesday 30th October to discuss future events. All are welcome.

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 **Thank you.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

I will guide them by a smooth path where they will not stumble

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!

Proclaim! Praise! Shout:

'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!'

See, I will bring them back from the land of the North

and gather them from the far ends of earth;

all of them: the blind and the lame,

women with child, women in labour:

a great company returning here.

They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back;

I will guide them to streams of water,

by a smooth path where they will not stumble.

For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Response: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

'You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever'

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Mark 10:46-52

Go; your faith has saved you

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

REFLECTION

'No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God'

The Book of Hebrews was written for Christians of the first century when those Jews who followed the teaching of Jesus were beginning to emerge from Judaism. The author is unknown; it is written from a Jewish perspective, but gives us, today, an insight into that religion and its touching points with our beliefs. We cannot completely associate our notion of priesthood with that of the high priest of Judaism; theirs was an inherited position, but the principles of priesthood as mentioned in today's passage help to link our priesthood with that of the order of Melchizedek, a link that goes back to the very beginning of humanities worship of the one true God.

All priests have responded to a call to vocation inspired by the Holy Spirit; this is not a call to be taken lightly, it is a very demanding call to sacrifice one's own needs for those of the community that one serves. Just consider that first line "taken out of mankind and appointed to act for men in their relations with God". Priests are not supermen; they have the same hopes, dreams, fears and joys that we share. They devote their lives to serving others and this brings them into contact with all levels of society; we may turn away from certain situations, a priest cannot. He must face whatever his ministry leads him to; it is no small wonder that some hesitate, some turn away from this awesome duty.

The Gospel passage reveals to us the power that enables a man to come to the priesthood; the story is of the blind man, Bartimaeus, and his faith in Jesus. This faith gives the man courage to ask for a cure for his blindness and that same faith gives him back his sight. The man who chooses to test his vocation by volunteering for the priesthood is like Bartimaeus, he cannot see where his vocation will take him, but he hopes that his faith will be sufficient to bring him through the years of training to ordination, and that same faith will stand by him through the long years that lie ahead. In our Baptism we are called to be priests; not as an ordained man but, all of us men and women, as servants to our families and neighbours. Let us pray that we too may have the courage to see our way to follow Christ down the road.

David Franke

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, Cliff Ferness, 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 McEaney, 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: James Kealy, Nicolas Murphy, Andrew McGowan, Rita Shave, Angela Lynch, John Hurst, Joan Malone. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Tom Disley, Kenneth Emmerson, Robbie Bousfield, John Joseph McKenna, Terence Kidd, Kenneth Gould, Margaret Dawson, Margaret Williams, Bob Hay, Elizabeth Wilkinson, John William McHale, Mary Elizabeth (Molly) McCarthy, Mary Winspear, Elsie Hornby, John David (Dave) Murray, James Devine, Peggy Hunter, Peter Jenkins, Stella Geraldine Stockdale, Roy Stoddart, Alice Marie Trott, Thomas Boagey, Anne Hogg, Wilfred Hanson, Phil Beattie, Mark Price, Audrey McDonald, Norah Tritschler, Elizabeth McCarte, John Robson, Terence Slater, Kathleen Bloom, Mary Bland, Laurence Tighe, Edward Brown, Moira Pattison, 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:

Jesus Cures Our Blindness



In today's Gospel reading, a blind man called Bartimaeus called out to Jesus to cure him.

Sometimes we can be blind too. When we don't see the truth about God, or when we can't see our own faults then we have a kind of blindness.



When we find that we can't see ourselves or God clearly, we should be like Bartimaeus and call out to Jesus to help us. If we believe in Him then we will get our sight back too.

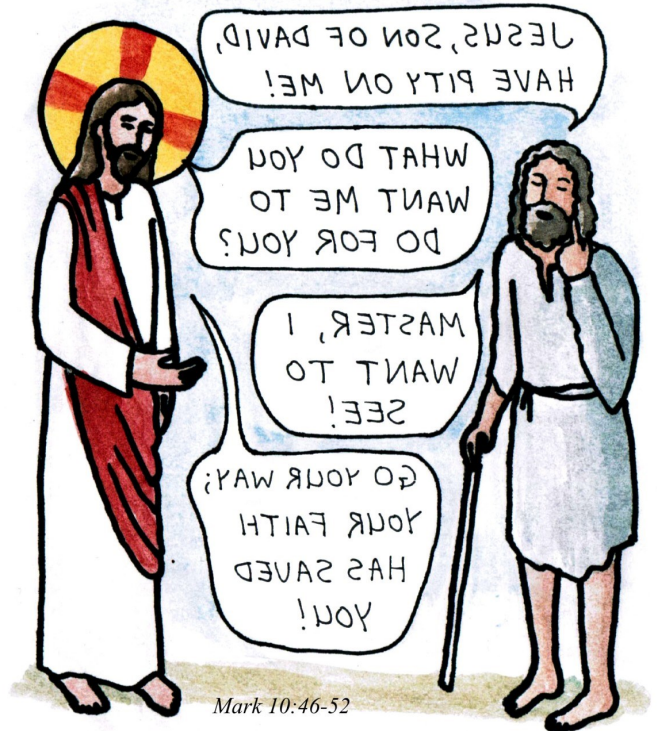
When Bartimaeus was cured of his blindness he started to follow Jesus right away. When we can see ourselves and God clearly then we will also want to follow Jesus.



Before you go to bed, ask God to help you remember your sins today and then tell Him you're sorry for them.

The Kids' Bulletin

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 27th, 2024



Mark 10:46-52

**What did Jesus and the blind man say to each other in today's Gospel reading?
Look in the mirror to find out!**

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