

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 29th December 2024

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

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Sat 28th December	(Vigil) The Holy Family	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Christine Parker (A)		6.00pm Mass Thelma Strickland	
Sun 29th December	The Holy Family	10.30am Mass Cissie & Don O'Donnell 4.00pm Mass for the Opening of the Holy Door Christine Hansell	9.00am Mass In memory of Anne Maughan		
Mon 30th December		12.05pm Mass Michael Windram (A) 6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Sarah Cain			
Tues 31st December		12.05pm Mass Bob Storer (1st A)			
Wed 1st January	Mary, the Holy Mother of God	11.00am Mass Terry Mahoney (A)			
Thurs 2nd January		12.00pm Wedding	9.30am Mass Thanks to Our Lady of Walsingham		
Fri 3rd January		12.05pm Mass Bernadette Jackson (B/Day)			
Sat 4th January	(Vigil) The Epiphany of the Lord	12.00pm Baptism 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Lilian Bodocs	11.00am Baptism	10.00am Baptisms 6.00pm Mass Ernie Watson & the Watt Family	
Sun 5th January	The Epiphany of the Lord	10.30am Mass Sheila Butcher (1st A)	9.00am Mass Winnie & John Joy		

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS - The Parish Office will be closed until Monday 6th January. Any voicemails left during this period will be responded to after New Year. In an emergency, please phone the presbytery on 01429 272985.

JUBILEE 2025 - Bishop Stephen will be celebrating Mass and opening the Holy Door this Sunday at St Joseph's Church at 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome. There's more information about the Jubilee Year on the Diocesan website at <https://www.bit.ly/DHNjubilee2025>.

THANK YOU - Special thanks from Canon Paul, Fr Joseph and Deacon Jeff for the cards, gifts and generosity he has received across the parish over the Christmas period.

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB - Thank you to everyone who supported the Savings Club this year. The Club will restart on Sunday 5th January 2025. Many thanks.

NEW MISSALS - If anybody else would like to order, let the parish office know as soon as possible and we will place another order on January 6th.

SPECIAL THANKS - to all who enabled the celebration of Christmas in our Churches, to all who attended, and for the kindness shown in the Christmas collection.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - The next Preparation Meeting is on Wed 5th Feb at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

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Opening Hours
10am - 2pm
Monday to Friday

Parish Centre
Grosvenor Street
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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

Restarts 13th January

Praise & Worship Prayer Group
@ Nazareth Room, Parish Centre

Restarts 14th January

Lunch Club @ Parish Centre Hall

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

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

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

‘He who fears the Lord honours his parents.’

The Lord honoured the father above the children, and he confirmed the judgement of the mother over her sons. Whoever honours his father atones for sins, and whoever glorifies his mother is like one who lays up treasure. Whoever honours his father will be gladdened by his own children, and when he prays he will be heard. Whoever glorifies his father will have long life, and whoever obeys the Lord will refresh his mother. O son, help your father in his old age and do not grieve him as long as he lives; even if he is lacking in understanding, show indulgence; in all your strength do not despise him. For kindness to a father will not be forgotten, and against your sins it will be credited to you.

Response: Blessed are all who fear the Lord, and walk in his ways.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Family life in the Lord.

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Open our hearts, O Lord,
 that we may pay attention to the words of your Son.
 Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 2:41-52

Jesus is found by his parents sitting among the teachers.

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day’s journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, ‘Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.’ And he said to them, ‘Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?’ And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and man.

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, 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, 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.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Francis Patrick (Frankie) Linighan, Terry Mahoney, Margaret Rudge, Tony Ellett, Frederick Butler, Mary Gallagher, Thomas Carberry, George Flounders, Kevin O’Connell, Marie Breen, John Garvin, Thelma Mathieson, Ellen Watt, Constance Fraser, Anthony Peter Vincent Carter, John Cann, Angiolina Pigiampo, Liam Gough, Ian Wakeling, John Grocott, Eric William Relton, Herbert Healey, Fr Peter Windram, Harry Bentham, Esther Margaret King, Gary Dodd, John Dawson, Philip Mahoney, Mary Musgrave, Mary Sullivan, Peter Jukes, Ann Draper, Florrie McKie, May Bostock, Richard William Hallett, Elsie May Hall, Gordon Larkin, Ilse Herta Louise Smith, Margaret Ann (Peggy) Close, Kenneth Beattie, Elizabeth Anne Herrington, John Nicolson, John Larkin, Glenn Harbron, Joan Galvin, Terence Milburn, Patricia Hill, Gerard Rhodes, Patricia Mary Ray, Fr John F Brady, Daniel McHugh, Peter Hutchinson, James O’Connor, Christopher Swales, Tommy Egglestone, Gertie Kloyed, Marlin Joyce, Joan Galvin, Jane Shaw, Lawrence Burns, Leila Gibson, Pamela Jayne Bates, Frederick Weegram, Stanley Sedgwick, Norma Bentham, Robert Storer, May Hume, John Graham, Sheila Dobing, Denis Rowntree, Kevin J Maxwell, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.**