

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



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10am - 2pm
Monday to Friday

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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

Tues: 12.30pm-2.30pm
Lunch Club @ Parish Centre Hall

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

Parish Diary — Week beginning 29th September 2024

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

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 28th September	(Vigil) 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Wallace James Reed (B/Day A)		6.00pm Mass Charles Archbold	
Sunday 29th September	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Cath Lawson	9.00am Mass Terry Jeffries		
Monday 30th September	St Jerome	6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass McDonald & Hall Families			
Tuesday 1st October	St Teresa	12.05pm Mass Tony Cawley			
Wednesday 2nd October	Holy Guardian Angels			9.30am Mass Sheila Tindall	
Thursday 3rd October			12.00pm Requiem Mass Anne Maughan		
Friday 4th October	St Francis of Assisi	12.05pm Mass Sarah Cain	2.00pm Funeral Service Michelle Joynt		
Saturday 5th October	(Vigil) 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	12.00pm-2.00pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Sean Charlton	10.00am-11.00am Baptisms	6.00pm Mass Bob & Nancy Garraghan	
Sunday 6th October	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass McDonough Family	9.00am Mass Steven Tierney		

SCHOOL MASSES

St Teresa's
Tuesday 1st October - 9.30am Feast Day 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.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - We will shortly begin preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation on 27th November. 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 2nd October 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.

SYNODAL VISION FOR THE DIOCESE - The final 2 meetings have been cancelled due to lack of attendance.

LITURGY DAYS FOR READERS - The Diocesan Liturgical Formation team are running a day for readers of all levels of experience to explore the new translation of the Lectionary on Saturday 9 November at St Augustine, Darlington, DL3 7RG. This day will provide an opportunity to look at the background of the new Lectionary and to be ready to proclaim the Scriptures. The cost is £15. Details of other Liturgy days are available on the Diocesan website. To book, please visit: bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents for more information.

FLAME 2025 - Flame 2025 takes place on Saturday 15th March. The theme is 'UNSTOPPABLE. FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE'. It is open to anyone from school year 9 to University/young adult age. Under 18s must be part of an organised group. Two years ago, over 700 young people from our Diocese travelled to Wembley Arena for this national Catholic youth gathering. Once again 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). Further information will be available in the coming weeks.

GARDENING - The next gardening day at St Patrick's is Saturday 12th October. We organise the days to coincide with the Garden refuse pick up from the council so if you can make it you will be most welcome. We garden from 9.30am to 11.30am and the more hands we have the more that can be achieved.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS - Our Confirmation programme will be commencing in mid-October. Current Catechists and anyone interested in assisting in the programme, please meet in the Parish Centre Hall at 6.30pm on Wednesday 16th October for a brief meeting to discuss the programme.

BIG THANKS - Thanks for another lovely summer in Hartlepool. Thank you for making me feel so welcome, and for all of the cards and gifts. Do keep me in your prayers, see you at Christmas!
-Fr Joseph

SVP - A collection will be taken for the SVP this weekend.

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: Numbers 11:25-29

If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets!

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Response: The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

The Lord hears the cries of those you have cheated

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord:
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Do not stop anyone from working a miracle in my name

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.'

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

REFLECTION

Sometimes, when you are in need, help often comes from unexpected places. The compassion that exists in every human heart comes to the surface when people are in trouble, and it is usually strangers who respond in your hour of need. A fall in the street, a puncture on a wet dark night, a helping hand with the shopping, there often is someone there for you when these unexpected events occur, and the helper is usually someone who you do not know or who you would not normally associate with. People see a need and respond; today's readings remind us that the human heart sees no barriers and that goodness can exist in everybody.

We belong to an open and inclusive church but there are times when prejudice and misunderstanding can create barriers. Sometimes gifted people can be excluded from an activity because they do not belong in a particular group. Medad and Eldad represent those who work for God but from a different viewpoint from the "chosen" helpers of Moses. The gift they are given is essentially of the Spirit and must be respected by all. There are many in our world who work for Christ but outside the normal areas of established religion.

The final extract from the Letter of Saint James is a very dire warning to those who are rich and do not share their wealth with those in need. It has been refreshing to listen to the words of the brother of Our Lord over the last few weeks. He lived in a very unequal world where the rich were few and the needy many and he is a constant reminder to us that, though we may be privileged to live in a very modern, sophisticated world, we too are still part of the richest 5% of the world's population and this message may well apply to us!

The Gospel message is very stark and severe; today is not a day for the fainthearted. Jesus is repeating the message of Moses; "Anyone who is not against us is for us"; and reminds us of the rewards that await those who follow Him. There is also a warning here for those who fail in their responsibility for their children. The concept of the domestic church is that the parents are the first teachers of their children and that if we fail in this task then God will hold us responsible for that failure. However, we, as parents, can only try to inspire faith and the choice to follow Christ depends on every individual making their own, mature choice.

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, 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, Moira Kelly, Ceilia King, Isobel Knowles, Frank Kozorowski, Maureen Maguire, Joan Malone, Baby Pippa Marie, Vera Marriott, Ian Matthews, Colin McDonald, Owen McEaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mghee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, June Nolan, Sylvice Notrianni, 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: Anne Maughan, Michelle Joynt, Breda Dignen, Aubrey Decunha. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Francis Edward Cannell, Linda Mary Johns, Sheila Williams, Peter Grieves, Sarah Kellett, Therese Day, Bryan Keenan, Nancy Emerson, Kitty Turnbull, Simeon Fraser Snr, Elizabeth Howard, Mary Howard, William Menary, Blanche Fraser, Thomas Higgins, Georgina Cawavan, Alec Wood, Catherine Jeffrey, Winnie Connor, Mary Wood, Isaac Carrol, Dorothy Northey, Peter Clark, Michael Donnelly, Pauline Webb, Nancy Garraghan, Bridget Howard, Terence Squire Rhoden, Joan Ackroyd, Anne Norah Talbot, Edmund Niland, Simeon Fraser, Dorothy Brand, Linda Rackstraw, Joseph Jennings, Josephine Worthy, Dennis Clifford, John Lewis, John Carroll, Kathleen Mitchell, Evelyn Davison, Christine Whitehouse, Arnold Myers, Kathleen Coombe, Michael Thomas Porritt, Eileen Biddle, Edith Waller, William Graham, Fr John Kennedy, Edith Alice Potts, Robert (Bobby) McDonald, 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:

Guardian Angels

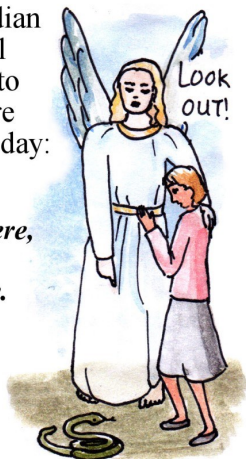


On October 2nd we celebrate the feast of the Guardian Angels. Did you know that God has an angel specially looking after you? God gave you a guardian angel to help guard you against temptation and danger.

Angels are pure spirits. Even though we draw them like people with wings, they don't have bodies, so they don't take up space. They can see and understand much more than we can, and they know God much better than we do, too. They are very powerful and can help us very much.

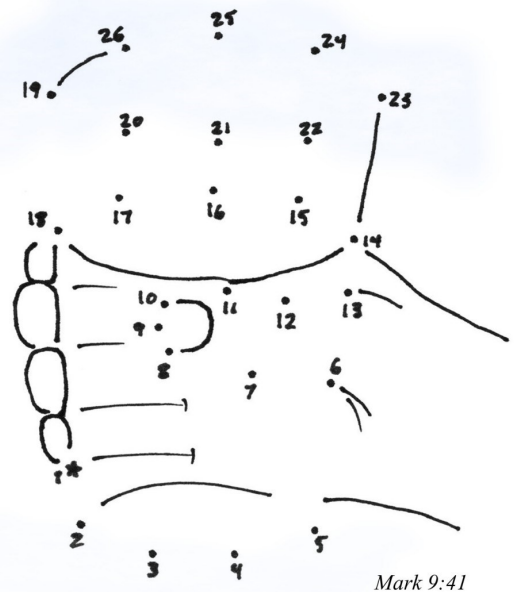
We should try to talk to our Guardian Angel every day. Thank your angel for looking after you, and ask him to keep protecting you from evil. Here is a good prayer you can say every day:

*Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
Ever this day be at my side
to light, to guard, to rule and guide.
From sinful state O keep me free,
and at death's hour my helper be.
Amen.*



The Kids' Bulletin

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29th, 2024



Mark 9:41

*What is it?
Connect the dots to find out!
Jesus says in today's Gospel reading that
anyone who gives one to someone for His sake
will receive their just reward.*

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