

# 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 2nd June 2024

\*Live stream: [www.youtube.com/@HolyFamilyHartlepool](http://www.youtube.com/@HolyFamilyHartlepool)

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 1st June	(Vigil) Corpus Christi	12.00pm-2.00pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Lily Pitts	11.00am Baptisms	6.00pm Mass Family Special Intention	
Sunday 2nd June	Corpus Christi	10.30am Mass David Cormack	9.00am Mass Kevin Walsh		
Monday 3rd June	St Charles Lwanga & Companions	6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Thanksgiving to St Jude & St Anthony			
Tuesday 4th June		12.05pm Mass Barbara & Michael Gray			
Wednesday 5th June	St Boniface	2.00pm Funeral Service John Rooney		9.30am Mass Jean Jacques	
Thursday 6th June			9.30am Mass Regan, Roche & Dumville Families		
Friday 7th June	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	12.05pm Mass Marie Lydon (1st A)			
Saturday 8th June	(Vigil) 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Veronica Gardner		6.00pm Mass Catherine Larkin & Agnes Tindale	
Sunday 9th June	10th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Nancy & Harry Wilkinson	9.00am Mass Kath & Eddie Duffy		

#### SCHOOL MASSES

**St Cuthbert's**

Mon 3rd June - 9.30am Mass

**English Martyrs**

Wed 5th June - 12.20pm Mass

### Parish Clergy

#### Parish Priest

Very Rev. Canon Paul Douthwaite  
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**Opening Hours**  
10am - 2pm  
Monday to Friday

Parish Centre  
Grosvenor Street  
Hartlepool  
TS26 8DP

### 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

### 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

## 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 this weekend as a present from the parish.** Please keep Deacon Joseph in your prayers as he makes his final preparations.

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION** - This Sunday is the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Ministers of Communion are to renew their commitment today.

**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.

**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.

**CCRS 2024-2025** - The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The programme is now available on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>. If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Duffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or [education@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:education@diocesehn.org.uk)

**THE NEW LECTIONARY** - As of Advent this year, the English speaking Churches will be using a new Lectionary. Each church will be required to purchase a set of 4 Lectionaries and a Book of the Gospel for the use at all Masses. There is the opportunity for parishioners to sponsor a Lectionary or part thereof. If you are interested in sponsoring a whole volume, please contact the parish office. Part shares of a volume will be available in the coming weeks. The donors names will be inscribed in the front of each of the volumes.

**HOLY ISLAND BUS** - All monies to be paid by 2nd June, please contact Brenda Bland on 07599511066. If you have any dietary requirements, please also let Brenda know.

**GARDENING** - Thank you to the 6 people who assisted in gardening at St Patrick's Church last Saturday. More help is needed with St Joseph's garden. Weather permitting, could volunteers meet initially on Saturday 8th June from 9.30am onwards. Please bring your own tools for weeding, pruning etc. No experience needed. Dress code: scruffy!

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

**200 CLUB** - May Draw has taken place. Winners: 1st Prize £150 No 166 Anne Feeney, 2nd Prize £75 No 148 Kevin Dickson, 3rd Prize £25 No 183 Sheila Crow. Congratulations to our winners. Thank you to all our members. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025** - Application forms are available at the back of our churches to register for the coming year's First Holy Communion programme. The programme is open to children from Year 3 and above. **All completed forms must be returned to the parish office no later than 18th July 2024.** There will be a parents meeting on Tuesday 17th September at 6:30pm in St Joseph's Church.

## 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 The Holy Family      Account Number: 11173928      Sort Code: 40-34-45      **Thank you.**

**First Reading: Exodus 24:3-8**

### **This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you**

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

**Response: The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15**

### **The blood of Christ can purify our inner self**

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the living bread which has come down from heaven,  
says the Lord.  
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading Mark 14:12-16,22-26**

### **This is my body; this is my blood**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

## REFLECTION

Each week we leave our homes on a journey, we come to a blessed place, and we meet others on the same journey and in a wonderful way we become one people, united with one purpose, to give glory to God. We do this through the sacrifice of the Mass, a celebration of God's love for us and a reminder that, through the sacrifice of His son, Jesus, for our sins, we are forgiven, and we have the power to become the children of God. When we hear the word "sacrifice" lots of scenarios come to mind, the heroic death on the battlefield, the mother putting food on the table for her children but eating very little herself, the carer who puts the needs of another before themselves; but when we think about the sacrifice of the Mass do we feel the same sense of unselfish love as we do when we think about other sacrifices. Are we becoming immune to the meaning of the one true sacrifice?

Today's readings are full of another type of sacrifice, in the first reading we listen to the sacrifice of bullocks, poor dumb animals. In Hebrews this blood sacrifice is replaced by the perfect sacrifice of Our Lord for our sins. Sacrifices were part of the Old Covenant but now, today, we have a New Covenant, one made perfect by the sacrifice not of poor dumb animals but of the Son of God. Can you truly understand what is happening here?

Mark tells us clearly that at the Last Supper Jesus took bread and wine and, through the power of God, changed those simple earthly things into His Body and Blood and gave them to the Apostles as a free gift of His Love. This sacrifice continues today when our priest, says the Act of Consecration over the bread and wine that we have brought to the altar and then, through our communion, we receive the Body and Blood of Christ. The one true sacrifice made real by Jesus for us, and placed in our hands, given to us through His perfect love.

*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, 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 McEaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mgehee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, Sylvice Natrianni, 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:** John Rooney, Anne Larkin. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

**Anniversaries that occur at this time:** Agnes Rennie (Nee Dowdle), Isaac Reece, Joseph Cooke, Peter Doving, William George (Kish) Kelly, Thomas Mullins, Josephine Wilson, Martin Skeet, Hilda Liddle, Mary Abbott, Nancy Wilkinson, Mary Graham, Angela O'Hara, Joseph Reece, Mary Marsh, Nita Gofton, Jean Angela Humpleby, Doris Vaughan, Maurice Berry, Ann Close, Robert Healey, Francis Carney, Patricia Lancaster, Stephen Sheehan, Kathleen Linighan, Sheila Eggerton, Sheila Swift, Ronald Neesham, Laurence Judge, Doreen Hughes, Ralph Cawley, Paddy Galvin, Margaret Robertson, Ellen McKenna, Mary Jane Reece, John Thomas Reece, Tommy Lawson, Mary 'Marie' Lydon, 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:

### *The Body and Blood of Our Lord*



Today we celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

At the Last Supper, Jesus changed bread and wine into His own Body and Blood. He has the power to do this because He is God. He did this because He wanted to stay with us even after He died and went into Heaven.

Jesus comes to us in every Mass.

The priest takes the place of Jesus, saying the words that Jesus said at the Last Supper, and the bread and wine become the real Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus even though they still look like bread and wine.

#### ***How do I receive Communion well?***

1. Be ready! Think about what is going to happen. Make sure that you don't have any big sins on your soul. If you do, then go to confession first.

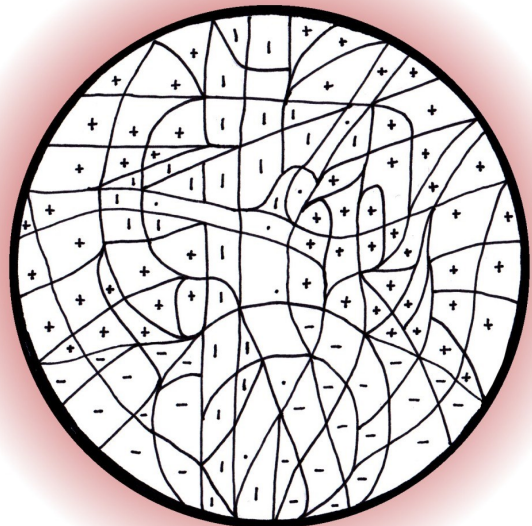
2. Don't eat or drink anything other than water or medicine for an hour before going to Holy Communion. This is a sign of respect for Our Lord.

3. After receiving Holy Communion, take some time to thank Jesus for coming to you and talk to Him. He is your best friend and loves spending time with you!



## The Kids' Bulletin

*Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ  
June 2nd, 2024*



*What does the bread become when the priest consecrates it at Mass?*

*Use the colour code to find out:*

- grey      · skin colour
- brown     + blue