

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 8th June 2025

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

| Date | Feast | Saint Joseph's | Saint Patrick's | Saint John Vianney's | Saint Mary's |
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| Saturday 7th June | (Vigil) Pentecost | 12.30pm Baptisms 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Jacques & Moir Families | | 11.30am Baptisms 6.00pm Mass Tom Reece (Anniversary) | |
| Sunday 8th June | Pentecost | 10.30am Mass Mary 'Marie' Lydon (Anniversary) | 9.00am Mass Kathleen Nicolson | | |
| Monday 9th June | Mary, Mother of the Church | 6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass Hilary I. Martins Udeze | | | |
| Tuesday 10th June | | 12.05pm Mass Pat Baker 97th Birthday | | | |
| Wednesday 11th June | St Barnabas | | | | |
| Thursday 12th June | Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest | | | | |
| Friday 13th June | St Anthony of Padua | 12.05pm Requiem Mass Pat Sawden | | | |
| Saturday 14th June | (Vigil) The Most Holy Trinity | 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Colin & Carol Price Diamond Wedding Anniversary | | 6.00pm Mass Elizabeth & David Murray | |
| Sunday 15th June | The Most Holy Trinity | 10.30am Mass Nancy & Harry Wilkinson | 9.00am Mass Ellen Parry | | |

SCHOOL MASSES

No School Masses this week

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.

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Opening Hours
10am - 2pm
Monday to Friday

Parish Centre
Grosvenor Street
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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

Sat: 14th June after 6pm Mass
Coffee Evening @ St John Vianney's

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

JUBILEE 2025 - The opening times of the Holy Door this week are as follows:

Monday: 6pm – 7pm

Tuesday: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Wednesday & Thursday: By appointment only

Friday: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Saturday: 2.30pm – 5pm

Sunday: 9.30am – 12pm

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 August at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026 - Application forms are available at the back of our churches to register for the coming year's First Holy Communion programme, which will begin in September. The programme is open to children from current 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 Wednesday 17th September at 6:30pm in St Joseph's Church.

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.

CERTIFICATE COLLECTION - We have several First Holy Communion certificates which weren't collected in May. They are available from the parish office at your earliest convenience. We also have an abundance of Baptism certificates which have been requested and never collected. Each certificate takes time and resources to produce, we kindly ask that you respect this effort by ensuring your certificate is collected promptly.

BRIDLINGTON TRIP - Our Over 60s Club are organising a trip to Bridlington on Friday 20th June, leaving St Patrick's at 9am, and departing from Bridlington at 5.30pm. The cost is £15 each. Please contact Eileen Barker on 07518796859 if you would like to join us.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2025 - The final arrangements are now in place for our pilgrimage to Walsingham. The pilgrimage will take place from 21st July until 24th July (Mon–Thurs), and the cost will be £340 per person; this includes Bed, Breakfast and Evening meal. There will also be a Day Trip. We now need final names for the pilgrimage, please put your name on the list at the back of Church. The money for the pilgrimage can either be paid in installments or in full at the parish office. For more information, please contact Roisheen Hunter on 07914946316.

SVP SUMMER RAFFLE - Raffle tickets for the Summer Draw are available at the back of St Joseph's church. All monies and ticket counterfoils to be returned no later than Sunday 3rd August.

LAY TRAINING FUND - A collection will be taken this weekend.

GIFT AID - If you have not collected your envelopes for 2025/26, they are available at the back of the church you regularly attend. If you wish to join the scheme, please contact Laura in the Parish Office. The Parish benefits greatly from those who are members of the scheme, there is no cost to parishioners as the diocese claims the tax paid by Gift Aid members on their offertory donations from the government. If you are a tax payer please consider joining the scheme. If you are a member of the scheme and have not paid tax this past year, you must inform the Parish Office.

200 CLUB - Just a reminder that, for some of our members, subs are overdue. Annual payment £25, Half yearly £12.50 and Quarterly £6.25. There are numbers available if you wish to join. Each month we draw prizes of £150, £75, and £25. If you let Laura know, one of the organisers will be in touch with you. Thanks.

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

We are also able to take contactless donations. Please scan the QR code to make a one-off donation, or use our digital collection plate at the back of St Joseph's Church.

Thank you.

First reading: Acts 2:1-11

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

When the day of Pentecost arrived, the Apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, ‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.’

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

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

‘In one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.’

Brothers and Sisters: No one can say ‘Jesus is Lord’ except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

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 has sent me, even so I am sending you. Receive the Holy Spirit.’

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.’ And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.’

REFLECTION

Pentecost day comes round every year; it is a milestone in our lives. We emerge from Lent and Easter often breathless and aware that once again Christ has paid the ultimate price for our behaviour, and we make the decision to change our ways; make a new resolution to come closer to Him and follow His way. Then the sunshine of summer enters our lives, and we say “Tomorrow Lord” and the summer days pass by until we are once again in autumn and nothing has really changed. How can we change these hearts of ours? How can we make them hearts of flesh and not stone?

Pentecost Sunday is about being changed through an experience. In the first reading the Apostles are changed utterly by their experience of the Holy Spirit; they had listened to the promises of Jesus but could not grasp the reality of His word. Now it is here and happening; they are transformed, they are no longer the frightened crowd of the Good Friday church they are invigorated, encouraged and challenged by their encounter with the Holy Spirit and as they speak to the crowd all who see this transformation are amazed and astonished.

Today’s Psalm speaks of how basic the Holy Spirit is to life itself. In our Creed, we call Him “the Giver of Life”, the psalmist tells us “You send forth your spirit, and they are created, and you renew the face of the earth”. The passage from Romans reminds us that our transformation is a spiritual experience. Paul tells us that, through the Spirit we become “children of God”. We can overcome the flesh, which causes us to sin, by building spiritual lives that inspire us to cry “Abba!, Father!”.

John’s Gospel reminds us of the words of Our Lord – If you love me. you will keep my commandments. This passage speaks of the promise of Jesus to all those who love Him and keep His word. Our Lord assures us that His word will not fail for the Holy Spirit, the helper sent by the Lord, will teach us and help us to remain true to Him. Today is special, both for those who have been faithful all their lives but also for new members of our church who have experienced a real transformation through the blessing of the Easter Vigil. This day was made by the Lord, may we allow the Spirit to enter our lives and transform us.

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, Lorraine Galen, Dorothy Geen, David Geen, Catherine Gray, Mary Harris, Andrew Haygarth, Jamie Hitchen, Bella Hoey, Muriel Howe, Molly Hughes, Carol Hutchinson, Peter Johnson, Christine Jones, Ceilia King, Isobel Knowles, Maureen Maguire, Baby Pippa Marie, Vera Marriott, Brenda Mathews, Ian Matthews, Owen McEneaney, James McGee, Lilian McGee, Fr Seamus McGivern, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mghee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Ann 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, Marie Spindlow, Matthew Steel, Brenda Stott, Brett Swain, Gail Symington, Melvin Thackeray, Lynsey Todd, Kieran Turnbull, John Twydale, Norma Twydale, Jonathon Vokes, Julie Wallace, Edith Wilson. **Through our prayers may the healing presence of Christ be with them at this time.**

Recently Deceased: Pat Sawden, Charles Collin. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Ellen McKenna, Mary Jane Reece, John Thomas Reece, Mary 'Marie' Lydon, Tommy Lawson, William 'Bill' Hogan, Mary Lawty, John Gibson, Kathleen Nicolson, Bernard Povey, Hilda Brown, Kath Linighan, Rose Stubbs, Elizabeth Parker, David Turner, Denis Turner, Maureen Lucey, Pauline Rooney, William Elliott Jenkinson, Patricia Lawrence, Sylvia Coull, June Marie Mitchell's 90th Birthday, Aurelia Coniconde, Susan Innes, Stephen Kealy, Joseph Ross, Ronald Leo Flounders, 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:



Come Holy Spirit!

The feast of Pentecost came nine days after Jesus had ascended into Heaven. The disciples and Mary were praying together when the Holy Spirit suddenly came with the sound of a huge wind and what looked like flames of fire coming down on each of them. The apostles went right out and began to preach and teach people about Jesus.

The Holy Spirit comes to us in Baptism and lives in us whenever our souls are in a state of grace (when we don't have any serious sins.) He comes into us more whenever we receive a Sacrament, especially Confirmation. He helps us do what is right and serve God using all the gifts He gives us. The Holy Spirit, who is the third Person of the Blessed Trinity, draws us closer to God the Father and Jesus.

Pray to the Holy Spirit every day to help you to do everything for God. Then see how your life changes!



Answer to maze puzzle on front: Come Holy Spirit!

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The Kids' Bulletin

**Pentecost Sunday
June 8th, 2025**



Acts 2.1-11

Today is the feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came to Mary and the Apostles in the form of wind and tongues of fire.

Can you find your way through this maze and use the letters in your path to fill in the blanks?

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