

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 9th February 2025

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

Date	Feast	Saint Joseph's*	Saint Patrick's	Saint John Vianney's	Saint Mary's
Saturday 8th February	(Vigil) 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Maude Vaughan		6.00pm Mass Graham Connor	
Sunday 9th February	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Peter Willgress (B/Day A)	9.00am Mass Nealon & Murray Families		
Monday 10th February	St Scholastica	10.00am Funeral Service Douglas Stanley Boreland 6.00pm Exposition & Confessions 6.30pm Mass John Duncan Hurst			
Tuesday 11th February		12.05pm Mass O'Donnell & Best Families		10.00am Funeral Service George Short	
Wednesday 12th February		12.05pm Deanery Mass Megraw Fund		9.30am Mass at Hartfields Retirement Village The Vokes Family	
Thursday 13th February			9.30am Mass John & Norma Twydale (Wedding Anniversary)		
Friday 14th February	SS Cyril & Methodius	12.05pm Requiem Mass David Denning			
Saturday 15th February	(Vigil) 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am Mass of Healing (Our Lady of Lourdes) Living & Deceased Healey & Fernie Families 3.00pm Exposition & Confessions 3.30pm Rosary 4.00pm Mass Peter Lynch (5th A)		12.30pm Baptism 6.00pm Mass Joan Malone	
Sunday 16th February	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass (Hartlepool Civic Dignitaries) Jimmy Dobiaj (90th B/Day)	9.00am Mass Barry & James Parkes		

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
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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: As Announced
Coffee Evening @ St John Vianney's

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

JUBILEE 2025 - We're all invited into an encounter with Jesus Christ, as his disciples of mercy, forgiveness, and social action, and to celebrate our communities. The Holy Door will be open during this Year of Jubilee, where pilgrims are invited to enter and receive a plenary indulgence. The Jubilee indulgence, thanks to the power of prayer, is intended in a particular way for those who have gone before us, so that they may obtain full mercy. To gain a plenary indulgence, a person is invited to complete four specific acts: passing through a Holy Door, go to confession, receive the Eucharist, and pray for the intentions of the Pope. It's a way to show your commitment to living a better life and growing closer to God.

Week beginning 10th February Holy Door opening times:

Monday: 6pm-7pm

Tuesday: 11am-1pm

Wednesday: By appointment only

Thursday: By appointment only

Friday: 11am-1pm

Saturday: 2.30pm-5pm

Sunday: 9.30am-12pm

NEW DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY DOOR - As some of you know, Bishop Stephen has re-organised and enlarged the deaneries. Our deanery is that of Cleveland and South Durham and the first meeting of its clergy will be on Wednesday 12th February. We will meet in St Joseph's Church and inaugurate our new deanery by celebrating Mass together at 12.05pm, and passing through the Holy Door. All are welcome to this Mass at which we hope laity and clergy of the deanery can gather to pray for each other and for God's guidance of our new deanery.

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 5th March at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES - MASS OF HEALING - As the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes falls during the week this year, we will celebrate a Mass of healing on the following Saturday, 15th February at 10am in St Joseph's Church followed by tea and coffee in the Parish Centre Hall.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - Would you like to register as a helper for the Hexham and Newcastle 2025 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes? The pilgrimage will take place between Friday 25 July to Friday 1 August 2025. Adult and Youth section volunteer registration forms are open until 31st March 2025. If you would like any more information about becoming a registered helper on the pilgrimage, please email: lourdes@diocesehn.org.uk or visit our Facebook page: Hexham and Newcastle Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Please see the Tangney Tours website for prices of travel and accommodation. <https://www.tangney-tours.com/.../diocese-hexham-newcastle/> Thank you very much for registering your help and support.

HARTFIELDS MASS - The next Hartfields Mass on Wednesday 12th February will take place at 9.30am on this occasion, due to the Deanery meeting taking place that day.

YOUTH2000 LEEDS RETREAT - Saturday 15th February from 9am-10.30pm. Held at Leeds Trinity University, Brownberrie Lane, Leeds, LS18 5HD. Registration is essential, using the following link: <https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/td7cjfox>

ST JOHN VIANNEY COFFEE - There will be coffee available after the evening Mass on Saturday 15th February. 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

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: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

‘Here I am! Send me.’

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the Temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings. And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!’

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: ‘Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: ‘Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.’

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ Then I said, ‘Here I am! Send me.’

Response: In the presence of the angels I praise you, O Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

‘So we preach and so you believed.’

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you — unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the Apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the Apostles, unworthy to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of men.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 5:1-11

‘They left everything and followed him.’

At that time: The crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear the word of God. He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, ‘Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.’ And Simon answered, ‘Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.’ And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, ‘Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.’ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, ‘Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.’ And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

REFLECTION

I became a Minister of the Word almost 35 years ago when I attended a course over three evenings and we learned about the history of the Mass and the Lectionary and the importance of the readings. Looking back, one simple instruction comes to mind “Speak clearly, for if you do not, then you silence Christ”. Perhaps this was the most important lesson of all. All our readers try their best to speak clearly so that you may hear the word and hold it in your hearts. Listen closely, because the words they speak are holy and they come from our heavenly Father.

Today’s readings are all about proclaiming the Word. In the passage from Isaiah, he describes a vision of heaven, he writes of the Temple filled with the presence of God and His angels. He speaks of his unworthiness to speak in God’s presence “I am a man of unclean lips”. Then a Seraphim flies to him carrying a burning hot coal and touches his lips and the voice of the Lord rings out, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us” and Isaiah cries out “Here I am, send me”. This call to Isaiah is God calling to each of us to proclaim God’s word among the people.

When Paul writes to the Corinthians, he does so to remind them that the word he speaks to them is the Good News of salvation and forgiveness based on the death and resurrection of Christ. He follows in the footsteps of the Apostles, speaking out, so that all may believe in Jesus Christ. Paul was once a persecutor of the church but now he, through the grace of God, has overcome his unworthiness so that he may preach, so that you may believe.

The Gospel passage speaks of the power of the Word. Wherever Jesus goes he is surrounded by a great crowd of people drawn to him so they may be healed and receive His word. Now, on the lake, the press of the crowd forces Jesus into a boat so that he may be seen and heard by the people. His words have the power to open hearts, today his word calls to the fishermen, Peter, Andrew, James and John, although they do not know it. Perhaps today’s readings have a message for you, is this the day when you hear, believe and begin to follow Christ more fully.

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, 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, Maureen Maguire, Baby Pippa Marie, Vera Marriott, Brenda Mathews, Ian Matthews, Owen McEaney, James McGee, 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, Tony Wilkinson, Edith Wilson. **Through our prayers may the healing presence of Christ be with them at this time.**

Recently Deceased: David Denning, Douglas Boreland, George Short, Alan Willgress. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

Anniversaries that occur at this time: John Harrion, George Holtom, George William (Billy) McDonald, Terry Linighan, Annie Young, William Stubbs (Billy), James Everett, Mary Margaret Henegan, Terry Jeffries, Betty Hooks, Clara Day, Mary Charlton, Frances Hunter, Eileen Bratt, Sheila Gould, Joan Dixon, John Garthwaite, Lucy Walsh, Josephine Stiven, Francis John Jackson, John McGarry (Jnr), Betty McCluskey, Thomas Hood, Maureen Wallace, John Carter, Martha Cronin, Josephine Stiven, Margaret Bell, Norah Niland, Harold Joseph Twidale, Sheila Laughton, Terence Milburn, Greg Beldon, Mary Frain, Amalia Armstrong, Norah Burnham, Margarita 'Peggy' Thomas, William Kennedy, Janet Lindsay, David Kemp, Harry Hay, Peter Lynch, Michael Hanley, Brian 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.**

Kids Corner:

Fishers of Men



In today's gospel reading Peter had been out fishing all night and hadn't been able to catch any fish. When Jesus told him to let down the nets again he did it anyway. He was very surprised when the nets filled up with fish right away. And there were so many that the boat started to sink!

Jesus told Peter and his friends James and John that he was going to make them "fishers of men." But He didn't mean that they would catch people in nets! He was showing them that they had to bring people into the Church.



Who are the "fishers of men" today? Priests! They help people to come to the Faith by giving them the sacraments and teaching them the truth about God.

The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 9th, 2025



Luke 5:1-11

Peter had been fishing all night and caught nothing. But when Jesus told him to let the nets down again, they got filled right up! Can you draw enough fish to fill the nets?