

# 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 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 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		
Monday 10th June		6.00pm Exposition & Confessions  6.30pm Mass Grandsons			
Tuesday 11th June	St Barnabas	12.05pm Mass In Thanksgiving - H			
Wednesday 12th June				9.30am Mass Raymond & Eileen Biddle	
Thursday 13th June	St Antony of Padua		9.30am Mass Thanksgiving to St Martha		
Friday 14th June		12.05pm Mass Ken Butler (A)  1.00pm Funeral Service Anne Larkin			
Saturday 15th June	(Vigil) 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am Baptism  12.00pm-2.00pm Baptisms  3.00pm Exposition & Confessions  3.30pm Rosary  4.00pm Mass Grace & Doug Windsor	11.00am Baptism	6.00pm Mass Sylvia & Kenny Coull	
Sunday 16th June	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass Janice Graham	9.00am Mass Pam Mottram		

#### SCHOOL MASSES

St Joseph's  
Tues 11th June - 9.30am Mass

### Parish Clergy

#### Parish Priest

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10am - 2pm  
Monday to Friday

Parish Centre  
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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

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. Please keep Deacon Joseph in your prayers as he makes his final preparations.

**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 3rd July, at 6pm, in the Parish Centre Hall at St Joseph's.

**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 would like a part shares of a volume of the Lectionary, forms are available at the back of each Church this weekend. The donors names will be inscribed in the front of each of the volumes.

**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.

**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. If you are interested in this please speak with Canon Paul. A copy of the vision is displayed at the back of each 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.

**DAY FOR LIFE** - Next Sunday, 16th June, is a Day of Prayer for Human Life. A collection will be taken.

**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 Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or [education@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:education@diocesehn.org.uk)

**ST BEGA'S VACANCY** - A vacancy has become available for an After School Club Assistant at St. Bega's Catholic Primary School on The Headland. Working hours are 3pm to 5.30pm Monday-Friday, 12.5 hours per week. Term Time Only. Salary £6,683.03 per annum. Closing Date 24th June at 9am. For further details please contact the school office on 01429 267768.

**FR SHAUN PURDY** - will celebrate his 10th anniversary of priesthood this year. As this is his home parish, we will welcome him back for a celebratory Mass followed by refreshments on Tuesday 2nd July at 6.30pm in St Patrick's Church.

**RECEPTION OF NON CATHOLIC SPOUSES** - Next meeting is on Tuesday 25th June at 6pm in the Parish Centre Hall.

## 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: Genesis 3:9-15**

**'I was afraid because I was naked, and I hid'**

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts. You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life. I will make you enemies of each other: you and the woman, your offspring and her offspring. It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

**Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

**We are being trained to carry the weight of eternal glory**

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, and therefore I spoke – we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
 and my Father will love him,  
 and we shall come to him.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading Mark 3:20-35**

**A kingdom divided against itself cannot stand**

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either – it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

## REFLECTION

*"Out of the depths I cry unto you, O Lord."*

*I first heard today's psalm when I was very young. It came in the form of a prayer, the De Profundis, and it is one of those prayers that often comes to mind when I feel that I have let myself and others down through my behaviour. It is a penitential prayer; a cry to God for forgiveness. It left a lasting impression on me because it was so personal. It is I who cries out to the Lord, asking Him to listen to me, to hear me, to forgive me. I believe in the God of Love who is always ready to forgive and, even when it is difficult to forgive myself, I know He is the one who is listening, and that gives me comfort.*

*The psalm leads me to listen to Saint Paul when he speaks of the frailty of our earthly bodies. We are human and we face all the pressures that our humanity brings but we are also children of God and, though faith, we believe that we can face the troubles of this world. We can make our world a better place, a place where truth and harmony flourish by our efforts. This is the Christian life and one which we must try to embrace.*

*Today's Gospel contains what some believe is a serious criticism of Jesus. It is in two parts; the first part is an answer to the religious authorities about where His power over evil spirits comes from and the second part seems to condemn Jesus for his attitude to His family. The healing power of Jesus often speaks of "casting out devils". The Jews believed that illness, in its many forms, was the result of sin and that it could be passed down through the family of the one who sins, that in healing people Jesus was using the power of Satan. Jesus rebukes their argument for, if Satan is casting out devils, then he is defeating himself and it will lead to the end of his power. God's forgiveness is for all and, through His healing ministry, Jesus brings that forgiveness to fruition in the human family. The family of Jesus are concerned for his health and the attention he is attracting from the authorities. They try to persuade him to come home. When Jesus calls his followers his brothers and sisters, he is showing them that they are part of the family of God and that each one of them is precious to Him.*

*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, Tony Cawley, 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 McEneaney, Lilian McGee, Jim McKenna, Christopher Mgehee, Peter McNaughton, Paul Moore, Pat Ness, Kitty Newstead, Sylvice Notrianni, Winnie Oliver, 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:** Anne Larkin, Gene Barker, Beverley Robinson, Michael Garrington, Janice Gould, Maurice Brown. **May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.**

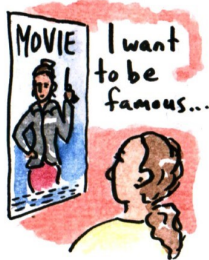
**Anniversaries that occur at this time:** William (Bill) Hogan, Mary Lawty, John Gibson, Kathleen Nicolson, Bernard Povey, Hilda Brown, Kath Linighan, Rose Stubbs, Elizabeth Parker, David Turner, Maureen Lucey, Pauline Rooney, William Elliott Jenkinson, Sylvia Coull, Patricia Lawrence, Aurelia Coniconde, Susan Innes, Stephen Kealy, Ronald Leo Flounders, Grace Mary Windsor, Peter Allen, Robert Gibbon, Jenny Stevenson, Joseph Tyson, Maureen Reilly Thomas King, Edith Ellen Wigham, Christina Hays, 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:

### Does Being Famous Matter?

Today's Gospel reading tells us that Jesus' relatives were trying to get close to Him when there was a huge crowd. But Jesus didn't get up to see them or make the other people go away. He kept teaching the people around Him. He said to them, "Who are my mother and my brothers? Here are my mother and my brothers. Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Do you know why Jesus said that? He was telling us that knowing important people or being related to important people doesn't matter at all. What matters is that we love Jesus and do what He asks.



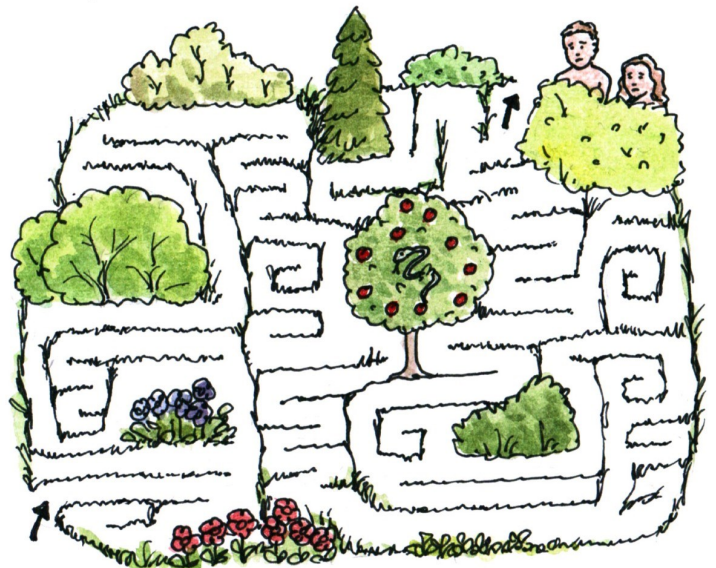
Do you sometimes wish that you were very important or popular? Being well-known isn't a bad thing, but being good is much more important than being famous. God wants us to be humble and happy loving Him and doing what we are supposed to, no matter how important we seem to others.

*You are very important to God!*



## The Kids' Bulletin

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 9th, 2024



*In today's first reading Adam and Eve tried to hide from God because they had sinned and were ashamed. But God still loved them and He came and talked to them. Can you find them?*