



R.C. Parish of the Sacred Heart,
North Gosforth.
Bulletin:
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This Weekend: The 6th Sunday of Easter

Saturday 6.30 pm Mary & Richard Tedesco
Sunday 10.00 am Ann & Christopher McAnelly
6.30 pm Parishioners

Next Weekend: The 7th Sunday of Easter (within the octave of the Ascension)

Saturday 6.30 pm Michael Conroy
Sunday 10.00 am Parishioners
6.30 pm Len Woodley

Feasts & Mass Intentions during the Week

Monday	May 27	St Augustine of Canterbury	10.00 am	Private Intention
Tuesday	May 28	Weekday of Easter	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday	May 29	Weekday of Easter	10.00 am	Ron Mason (H.H.)
Thursday	May 30	ASCENSION OF THE LORD	10.00 am	George Robinson
		<i>(A Holy Day of Obligation)</i>	7.00 pm	Parishioners
Friday	May 31	Weekday of Easter	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Saturday	June 1	St Justin the Martyr	10.00 am	NO Mass or Service this morning.

Monday-Friday: 9.40 am - 9.55 am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. (Also, after Mass, if ministers are present.)
Saturday 5:45 pm - 6:25 pm: Confessions (The Sacrament of Reconciliation).

ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Team 6
THIS WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	Team B
6.30pm	A Rose	M Ramsay	D Lynn	1	CHURCH CLEANING	
10:00 am	G Pritchard	A Emmerson	D Weddell	6	COUNT	P & A Boardman
6.30pm	G Downey	M Clifford	C McGrady	7	GREETERS	M McIntosh + L Henderson
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: J Shepherd					TEA ROTA	Peter + Ann

ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Team 7 - School Holidays
NEXT WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	Team C - School Holidays
6.30pm	J Turley	P Talbot	M Taylor	1	CHURCH CLEANING	M Clark + E Hancock
10:00 am	E Mooney	J-T Rivas	A Pritchard	2	COUNT	J Donnelly + P Hedley
6:30 pm	K Gosling	P Downey	W Miller	7	GREETERS	L Jackson + A Cassar-Parnis
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: J-T Rivas					TEA ROTA	Liz T + Angela G

Please pray for those who are ill, and their carers:

Please pray for the Dead:

Recently Dead:

Patricia (Pat) White (83) of Brunswick Green; died May 20. Requiem Mass here, Mon. 17 June, 10am

Anniversaries:

Mary & Richard Tedesco	Meg Jackson
Ann & Christopher McAnelly	Kathleen Welsh
George Robinson	Jean Durkin
Winnie Duffy	Helen Woodmass
Margaret Porteous	Thomas Thompson
Peter Haswell	
John Carr	
Valerie Thwaites	

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Irene Farnel	Daniel
Helen Causier	Julie
Michelle Wilkinson	Mark Bennett
John Hutchinson	Natasha Rose
Margaret Custis	Marie McGinity
Fr. David Tanner	Dorothy Emmerson
Fr. Richard Harriott	Betty Alder
Terry Donnelly	Reg James
Nicola Gauld	Maureen Keddy
Michael Bowers (Sen)	Julie Yoeart
Susan Hope	Roger Gray
Albert	Caroline Dixon
Danielle Borrett	

Lord, pour out the Spirit of your love on them.

Congratulations!

This weekend, we baptize into the Catholic Church:
Arlo & Edward Bone, of the Newcastle Great Park
and **Grace Lynch**, of Wideopen.

Thank You!

Last weekend: parish cash collection = £562.02;
Total for the Sick & Retired Priests = £456.66, and
a cheque for that sum has gone off to the Diocese.

Thank you for your continuing generous support.

NORTHUMBERLAND VICARIATE ;
SEATON DELAVAL PARTNERSHIP:
the parishes of Annitsford, Blyth, Cowpen,
Cramlington, New Hartley, & North Gosforth.



BISHOP ROBERT BYRNE

Bishop Robert is travelling round the diocese, one partnership at a time, to meet & get to know his clergy, and then have an evening Mass and social with as many people as possible. **The day for our Seaton Delaval Partnership is Tuesday, July 2nd, and there will be an evening Mass here at Sacred Heart that day at 7pm, followed by a social in the hall with the bishop.** The local priests agreed to have the Mass here, as there is ample parking round the church.

“LITTLE SISTERS” APPEAL: this weekend...
...annual collection for St Joseph’s Home, West
-morland Rd. Please try to be generous. Thanks.

SOCIAL MEDIA & THE PARTNERSHIP

The Seaton Delaval Partnership has a FaceBook page to publicise events in our parishes. Cristina Nardini is our parish link. If you would like to post news, notice of forthcoming events etc please contact Cristina on **Cristina.nardini100@hotmail.com** placing ‘Partnership Facebook Post’ in the subject line

TABITHA’S PLACE

Thank you for the support you have provided to this west end clothes bank over the past few years. Their stocks are currently very low, so if you have any children’s clothing (up to 12 years) that you no longer need please put it in a bag in the porch clearly marked “For Ged Downey” and I’ll get it to them. Once again thank you for your generosity.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2019

There are leaflets at the back of the church for the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. This year it’s July 26th - August 2nd, (Friday-Friday) by air, direct from N/cle.

CHRISTIAN-MUSLIM PEACE SERVICE

This annual joint Peace Service will be held this year on **Sat. 29th June, 2.30pm in St Mary’s Chapel in Jesmond Dene**, followed by refreshments in Holy Name parish hall, Jesmond. Please join us to help promote unity and understanding between people, and pray for peace. For more details please see the flyer on the notice boards.

ART CLUB THANKS

The parish are most grateful to the Gosforth Park Art Club (who use the hall each Thursday) for a

A PRAYER FOR OUR PARTNERSHIP:

Risen Christ, from your abundant grace, pour out afresh your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese.
As we build on the deep foundations of faith, laid by the countless saints of our Northern lands - by Oswald, Aidan, Hilda, Cuthbert, Wilfrid and Bede, may our Seaton Delaval Partnership continue its mission to build your Kingdom on Earth. May we give living witness to the love, compassion and hope you offer to our world.
We pray in trustful confidence that your power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Through Christ our Lord.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

- Mon, June 10: 1st Communion Parents’ Meeting, Hall, 7pm**
- Sat, June 15: First Communions at 10am Mass.**
- Fri, June 28: Year 4 Mass, St Oswald’s, 9am.**
- Tue, July 2: Partnership Mass with Bishop Robert here at 7pm.** See note to the left of this column.
- Thu, July 4: Year 5 Mass, St Oswald’s, 9am.**
- Thu, July 18: Year-end Mass, St Oswald’s, 9am**

OUR PARTNERSHIP’S PRIEST SITUATION

Fr Jim writes: Fr Lee Barrett, the parish priest of Cramlington & New Hartley, has left the ministry, so those parishes are vacant. Just now, retired priest Fr Philip Carroll is doing weekend Masses in the two churches. However, the big gap in the chaplaincy at the Cramlington Emergency Hospital is being covered by other priests north & east of here. **Fr Philip Quinn** (Blyth & Cowpen) has told the 2 congregations there that he has asked the bishop for a smaller parish. This is on health grounds, and it depends on one becoming available in the area this summer. It is also known that **the Dominicans will be leaving Newcastle**; they have been a big part of the city’s catholic life since the mid 19th century. **Another parish priest, who has been on loan to the diocese** for about 5 years, is being recalled to his religious order. The diocese will do all they can to provide another priest for Cramlington & New Hartley (especially with the hospital in mind), but they cannot guarantee that they will get someone - given the shortage of priests in the diocese. If they can’t get someone, that would mean altering the number & timing of Masses in the area. It’s only fair to warn people of the possibility of this happening.

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The S.V.P. now has a dedicated, totally confidential phone number for anyone needing our help: **07591- 396827**. Christine T Newton (Conference President).

This Thursday: The Ascension Holy Day.

Once again, “Ascension Thursday” is back to being actually on a Thursday, rather than the Sunday before Pentecost, where it’s been in recent years. So, **this Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation**, when we are bound to attend Mass, if possible. I ask parents to make an effort with this (the schools are on holiday) and try to give the children a real sense of the great events of the Church’s year. We have Mass at 10am and 7pm. *Fr Jim.*

SAYING GOODBYE-baby loss service 2019:

for anyone who is grieving the loss of a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years. All welcome. Sunderland Minster 30th June 3.00 pm Mariposa Trust.

FR. JIM’S TAILPIECE

(1) A funeral was being held for a lady in her 70’s. As the pall-bearers carried out the coffin at the end of the service, they bumped it into a wall - and a loud groan came from inside the coffin. The undertaker opened the lid - and the woman was still alive!! She went on to live for another ten years, before finally dying. At that funeral, as they were carrying the coffin out, the deceased’s husband shouted out: “Watch that wall...” (2) Three months after her husband Bert died, Gloria was able to look back, and tell her friend Mary what a nice man Bert had been. He’d left her 3 envelopes, and she said to Mary: “The first contained £5,000, with instructions: *Get me a nice coffin.* So I bought the best one. The second had £10,000 with instructions: *Give me a good send-off,* so we had a huge celebration at the Gosforth Park Hotel. The third had £40,000, with instructions: *Buy a lovely stone.* She showed Mary a diamond ring & said “ So I went to the Northern Goldsmith’s and got this. Do you like it?”

POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS TO US...

The Church which “goes forth” is a community of missionary disciples who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice.

GARDENING VOLUNTEERS.

New volunteers are invited to join the gardening team. Minimal commitment. No heavy labour. Contact me at email address below. Existing volunteers please send me their email address and I will forward a copy of the new rota.



Jfurlley@doctors.org.uk

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATIONS

In the 3 weeks between now and the Communion on June 15th, Deacon John and I are trying to visit the families. In the past, I’ve done this on my own, but it’s getting too big a call now, so I’m grateful to him for this help. **On Monday, June 10th, there is a parents’ meeting in the hall at 7pm.** This is to outline both the religious meaning of the Holy Eucharist and the practical arrangements on the day itself. *Fr Jim*

CAFOD PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY ISLAND - ‘OUR COMMON HOME’

The theme of this year’s annual pilgrimage to Holy Island is:- **CLIMATE CHANGE DESTROYS GOD’S PRECIOUS GIFT TO US: CREATION.** Walk across the sands with the Diocesan Cafod Pilgrimage on Saturday 22nd June. The walk begins at 11.30 followed by a liturgy in St. Aidan’s R.C. Church 12 noon and then Holy Mass at 3pm in St. Mary’s Priory Church. Please see the flyers on the notice boards for more details. Anyone interested in going? Please see Fr Jim, and we can arrange a group trip. It’s a most beautiful setting, and the ‘Celtic’ atmosphere is very strong.

ST OSWALD’S SCHOOL: the Diocesan Inspection.

Fr Jim writes: At the start of May, the Diocese, as the body legally responsible for the religious nature of the school, carried out an official inspection (using Ofsted methods & terminology). This covered the religious & moral life of the school; the way RE is taught; and the school’s link with outside bodies - eg the parish. In EVERY area, a Level 1 (“Outstanding”) was achieved. This is really a marvellous result, and full congratulations go to all the staff, especially Mr Marley, the Head, Mrs Mooney, the RE co-ordinator, and Mrs Slater, the Chair of Governors. When I spoke to the inspector, she praised its atmosphere, the children’s attitudes & abilities, the staff’s commitment, and the clearly strong links between the school & parish. Well done to everyone - you deserve the half-term break!

TODDLER GROUP CONGRATULATIONS.....

go to long-term helpers Maureen Jones (22 years) and Monica Jackson (20years). Both received long-service certificates from the Parent & Toddler Association. A big ‘thank you’ to those two ladies, and the others, who work so hard to make it such a success. *Fr Jim.*

BREAKTHROUGH (12A), A Christian film is opening this Fri. 17th May at Newcastle Cineworld. It has good reviews and is aimed at young people.

www.breakthroughtickets.co.uk