



R.C. Parish of the Sacred Heart,
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Bulletin:
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This Weekend: The 25th Sunday of the Year

Saturday 6.30 pm Duncan Menzies (M.J.)
Sunday 10.00 am Parishioners
6.30 pm Frances Mary Marshall (J.C.) (Annitsford)

Next Weekend: The 26th Sunday of the Year

Saturday 6.30 pm Emma Elizabeth Fairlamb + Joyce Lynn
Sunday 10.00 am Parishioners
6.30 pm Holy Souls

Feasts & Mass Intentions during the Week

Monday	Sept 25	Weekday	10.00 am	Robert Gibbons
Tuesday	Sept 26	SS Cosmas & Damian	8.00 am	Gordon Lee
Wednesday	Sept 27	St Vincent de Paul	10.00 am	Hannah Nilsson (sick person) FN
Thursday	Sept 28	Weekday	10.00 am	John Weston
Friday	Sept 29	SS Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael	10.00 am	Private Intention
Saturday	Sept 30	St Jerome	10.00 am	Private Intention

Spiritual Programme (These events take place in the day chapel.)

Monday-Friday	11:00 - 2:00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - for specific times, see rota in porch.
Wednesday	6:15 - 7:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayers for Peace.
Friday	12:30 - 1:30 pm	'True Life in God' prayer group, with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday	5:45 - 6:25 pm	Confessions (The Sacrament of Reconciliation)

ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Anna + Henry
THIS WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	A: Millie, Leo, Emily, Thomas, Hannah
6.30pm	A Rose	M Taylor	A Plant	1	CHURCH CLEANING	J Curry + M Whitehead
10:00 am	A Boardman	T McTernan	A Pritchard	4	COUNT	J & J Donnelly
6.30pm	M Potts	A Haighton	C Criag	7	GREETERS	P Fenning + H Dixon
COMPOSER OF THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL: J Shepherd					TEA ROTA	Sarah Nicholas Kathryn
ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Natalie + Sonia
NEXT WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	B: Iris, Luke, Jessica, Ava
6.30pm	M Weston	P Fenning	J Turley	1	CHURCH CLEANING	
10:00 am	P Talbot	McTernan Family	F Nilsson	5	COUNT	S Cunningham + J Turnbull
6:30 pm	P Downey	C Newton	C McGrady	7	GREETERS	C Sciacaluga + B Dowling
COMPOSER OF THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL: J-T Rivas					TEA ROTA	G Box + D Weddell

Please pray for the Dead:

Recently Dead:

Anniversaries:

John Weston	William Alcock
Joan Markwell	Sheila Ratcliffe
Thomas Molloy	George Porteous
Norma Armstrong	Ann Marie Larsen
Thomas Haining	Robert Gibbons

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

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

Irene Farnel	Gerald Stokle
Kathleen Larsen	Michelle Wilkinson
Pat White	Frank Earl
Margaret Custis	Marie McGinity
Fr. David Tanner	Dorothy Emmerson
Fr. Richard Harriott	Betty Alder
Terry Donnelly	Reg James
Nicola Gauld	Joan Smith
Karen McKeown	Julie Yoeart
Michael Bowers (Sen.)	Susan Hope
Albert	Winifred Hope
Pauline McDonnell	Danielle Borrett
Fr Michael Conaty	Hannah Nilsson
Mattie Harvey	

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

Congratulations!

This weekend, there are no baptisms/weddings here,
but last Friday
Juan Cervantes & Lily Shevlin were married here.

Thank You!

Last weekend: parish cash collection - £443.17.

Thank you for your continuing generous support.

SEATON DELAVAL PARTNERSHIP- the parishes of Annitsford, Blyth, Cowpen, Cramlington, New Hartley, & North Gosforth. Fr Jim writes: The partnership Mass that took place last Friday (22nd), at New Hartley - and the social night in the village hall that followed - went well.

As you'd expect on a Friday night, most of the people there were of the 'older' generation, but the atmosphere was really nice. We all agreed on the need to co-operate - in view of how the East Newcastle & North Tyneside partnerships are rallying round, to cope with the lack of priests at Wallsend & Walker. Many thanks to Fr Quinn, Sr Stephanie, and the many helpers at New Hartley, who made the Mass & social go so well.

The "Harvest Festival" Celebration planned for Sat Oct. 7th at 11am here will not now take place. We'll try to arrange an alternative event, based on St Oswald's Schl The spirituality network (with 2 reps from all parishes + the clergy), was formed recently. We also made plans for a Partnership youth group, involving adults & young people from the area. This will now meet at Cramlington, 6pm, Wed. Oct. 11th, for adults & high school students. I'm going in the car. Anyone want a lift?

MISSION APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

Each year, one mission society appeals through-out the diocese for its specific missionary work, and 2017 sees the Society of African Missions here. Our appeal is being made by Fr Vasek Krzempek this weekend. He's staying with me (poor soul!), and I, trying make him welcome. Please try to be generous in the collection after each Mass. Fr Jim.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Next Sunday = The 26th of the Year (A)
Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11;
Matthew 21:28-32.

CHARITY CLOTHING COLLECTIONS

Fr Jim writes: The collections in the side-door porch are in operation: Ged Downey is asking for all types of girls' clothing for families in the west end that are being helped by an Anglican priest and his family. Please leave them in labelled plastic bags. Please note: this is not toys/adult clothing.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT

For those thinking about priesthood (aged 16 and over) Evenings of prayer and reflection with an opportunity to listen to speakers talk about their own faith journeys. Various dates at St Mary's Cathedral 6.30-8.30 pm. Further details from Fr David Smith 0191 267 6063 / stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW PARTNERSHIPS: God of all Creation, you have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our diocese, and kindled here a light, which has spread throughout the world. Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself, to learn from you and to model their lives on you. Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world. Come upon us, Holy Spirit, deepen the faith you invite us to share, and inspire us to become faithful witnesses. As we begin to develop our partnerships, help each one of us... to use the gifts you give us; to nurture one another; to serve the world; and to live in harmony with the whole of Creation. All of this we ask, in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Fri. Sept 29: MacMillan Nurses' national 'Big Coffee Morning': in the parish hall, 10.30am.
Thu. Oct 19: St Oswald's Year 6 Mass, 9am.
Fri. Nov 25: St Oswald's Year 5 Mass, 9am.
Mon. Dec 18: Candlelit Carol Service, 7pm here
Tue. Dec 19: 'Blue Christmas' service, Blyth.
Wed. Dec 20: St Oswald's Xmas Prod'n, 7pm
Fri. Dec 22: St Oswald's term-end Mass, 9am.

FIRST COMMUNIONS 2018

Fr Jim writes: The initial parents' meeting will be in the parish hall, this Monday Sept 25th, 7pm. We shall introduce ourselves as a team of catechists, outline the programme for the year, and discuss how we have to work together, to prepare the children for the two "firsts" next year: **1st Confessions (15.03.2017; 1st Communions (16.06.2017).** It is essential that each child who wishes to make his/her First Communion next year be represented at this meeting. The diocese insists that parents, parish and school work together; in addition, each child must have parental consent forms signed, so that we can work with him/her legally.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Gerard Shepherd (parish finance chair) writes: I shall read a brief financial Statement after Communion at Mass this weekend. Written copies are there for those wishing to take one.

DIOCESAN JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

(1) A 3-year full time contract for an Outreach Co-ordinator at the Cathedral; (2) a 2-year part-time contract for a Director of Operations at the Youth Village. Full details of all jobs from the diocesan website: www.rcdhn.org.uk

YOUTH SUNDAY PREPARATION

Preparation for Youth Sunday will take place at St. Joseph's Academy, Hebburn on Sunday 8th October 3.00pm to 5.15pm. This year's theme is 'YES' inviting us to reflect on how Mary, as a young person, had the faith and courage to say 'Yes' to what God was calling her to do. Each church is invited to be represented by adults and young people (Year 9 and above). Booking forms are in parishes or available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

YOUTH MINISTRY MODULE

Adults who work with young people or have an interest in youth ministry are invited to take the CCRS module in youth ministry as a stand-alone module. The course covers the theology and principles of youth ministry, an understanding of faith development, a variety of approaches to working with young people and an opportunity to share ideas and good practice in parishes and partnerships. It takes place over two Saturdays 30th September and 28th October at the Emmaus Youth Village. For further information: education@diocesehn.org.uk

St Mary's Open Evening

Applications are now open for admission into St Mary's Year 7 for September 2018. The school is holding its annual Open Evening on Thursday 28th September from 5.45pm until 8pm. This is an opportunity for parents and children, particularly those in Years 6 and 5, to visit the school and meet staff and students. Families with younger children are of course welcome too. The evening begins with a presentation in the hall at **6.00pm**, repeated at **7.15pm**. If you are unable to make this date and would like an individual or group tour of the school at another time, please contact the Headteacher's PA, Mrs Julie Patterson, 0191 2153260.

FR JIM'S TAILPIECE

This is from Fr Harriott (Annitsford): A priest died and went to Hell. (Surprise, surprise...). The devil took him round, to show him a variety of awful rooms in which he could spend eternity. One room gave him a real shock: in it was sitting his bishop, who had died the previous month. Now this bishop had been hated by all the clergy, on account of his being so cruel to them. (No similarity to any living person is intended...) The bishop was sitting in a comfortable armchair, in front of a crackling log fire, nursing a large glass of brandy in one hand (you can tell it's a Fr Harriott joke...), with a lovely blond sitting on his lap. The priest was horrified, saying to the devil: "How can this be a punishment for that awful man? It seems he's in Heaven!" The devil replied: "No, Father. It's not that the bishop is in heaven. The fact is that she is in hell..."

PARTNERSHIP MAILING LIST

Ged Downey writes: We are setting up an email listing for our new partnership to help in communication across the partnership. The technology being used is MailChimp which ensures that your email address is held centrally and is not shared with anyone else on the mail list. To sign up to the mail list follow the following link : <http://eepurl.com/cUym2D> After filling in the contact form, you will be sent a verification email from MailChimp - you need to respond to this email in order to complete the registration process. We will put a click through link on the parish website shortly in order to register. If you have any questions or problems with this process please contact gedowney@yahoo.com

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT...

has resumed, so please consider taking a half hour slot (see rota in church). It's a time of peace that gives us a chance to grow in the love of Jesus. A thing much needed today in the world. Thanks. *Moiria Potts* (The Association of the Eucharist).

ARMS FAIR

Campaign against the Arms Trade (CAAT) has a petition objecting to the international arms fair taking place in London next week. If you wish to sign this (& view a short video), go to caat.org.uk/get-involved/act-now/petition/shut-it-down

Friday dance classes have resumed; all welcome

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH

In parish hall 10.30-12.30.
Raffle tickets on sale after each mass this weekend. Donations for raffle/tombola can be left in the back of church or with Fr Jim. Hall will be open 3.30-5 pm Thursday 28th for donations of cakes etc. Thanks! *Joan Donnelly & Pat Hedley.*

CELEBRATE CONFERENCE 2017

4th to 5th November at Joseph's Catholic Academy Hebburn £30.00 adults. £10.00 Children. 0 to 3 free. Includes evening meal on the Saturday. Book via website (www.celebrateconference.org)

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION FOR 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1967 ABORTION ACT

Sunday 1st October Our Lady of Mount Grace chapel, Osmotherly. Coach leaving Central Station 9.00. Cost £15.00. Reservation essential. Contact Mrs M Olleranshaw, Tel 0191-285-4395.

CYMFed Project Officer

CYMFed (the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation) is looking to appoint a project officer. The Federation is chaired by Fr Dermott Donnelly of St Mary's Cathedral so the job could be managed from Newcastle. However, it could also be managed from London. If you know of anyone who may be interested please share this link with them : <http://cymfed.org.uk/vacancies/>

PCC Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting 3rd September are available online and at the back of church.