



R.C. Parish of the Sacred Heart,  
North Gosforth.  
Bulletin:  
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**This Weekend: The 16th Sunday of the Year**

Saturday 6.30 pm Robbie Doney  
Sunday 10.00am Parishioners  
6.30 pm Kath Almond (Menorca), nee Lydon

**Next Weekend: The 17th Sunday of the Year**

Saturday 6.30 pm Special Intention (AT)  
Sunday 10.00 am Trudy Sandelands (HD)  
6.30 pm Parishioners

**Feasts & Mass Intentions during the Week**

Monday	July 23	<b>St Bridget of Sweden</b>	10.00 am	Private Intention
Tuesday	July 24	<b>Martyrs of this Diocese</b>	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday	July 25	<b>St James, Apostle</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Requiem: Babs Murtagh</b>
Thursday	July 26	SS Joachim & Anne	10.00 am	Terry Flannigan
Friday	July 27	Weekday	10.00 am	Holy Souls
Saturday	July 28	Weekday	10.00 am	Private Intention

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

Monday - Friday: 10.30 am - 2.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (for specific times, see rota at back of church).  
Thursday: 10.30 am - 11.30 am: "True Life in God" prayer group, with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.  
**Saturday 5:45 pm - 6:25 pm: Confessions (The Sacrament of Reconciliation).**

ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Adelaide
THIS WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	D:Henry,Maisie,Elisa,Euan
6.30pm	D Lynn	P Fenning	J Turley	1	CHURCH CLEANING	
10:00 am	M Gray	T McTernan	G Shepherd	2	COUNT	J Donnelly + P Hedley
6.30pm	C Craig	G Downey	K Gosling	7	GREETERS	H O'Keefe + M Miller
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: G Shepherd					TEA ROTA	S Bennison + D Hair

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6.30pm	M Ramsay	P Talbot	A Rose	1	CHURCH CLEANING	T Bannister + I Broady
10:00 am	J-T Rivas	H McTernan	A Pritchard	3	COUNT	P Wright + C Weddell
6:30 pm	Alice Haighton	P Downey	Anna Haighton	7	GREETERS	M Jackson + M Young
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: J Hawthorne					TEA ROTA	J Cain

**Please pray for the Dead:**

**Recently Dead:**

**Babs Murtagh** (87), ex Brunton Park; died July 11. Requiem Mass here: this Wednesday, 10am.  
**Michael McNamara** (78), Alnmouth. Died July 8. Funeral Service here this Thursday, 11.30am.  
**Michael Foley** (81), Wideopen; died July 14. Requiem here Mon July 30, 10.30, by Fr Shaun O'Neill.  
**David Hedley** (69), Hazlerigg; died July 17. Funeral will be held here; t.b.a.

**Anniversaries:**

Robbie Doney	Hilda Rigney
Hanna Abrol	Gerard Lalor
George McQueen	Mona Graydon
Doreen Binless	

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	Jim
Fr Jim Doherty	Sister Loreto
Michelle Wilkinson	Mark Bennett
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
Michael Bowers (Sen)	Julie Yoeart
Susan Hope	Winifred Hope
Albert	Roger Gray
Danielle Borrett	Caroline Dixon
John Nilsson	Baby Eccles
Angela Patterson	

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

**Congratulations!**

This weekend, there are no baptisms/weddings here.

**Thank You!**

Last weekend: parish cash collection = £449.51

Thank you for your continuing generous support.

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

**IMPORTANT NOTE: MASS TIMES HERE  
Partnership Priests' Discussion**

*Fr Jim writes:* The other priests of our partnership know that the two Masses most used here are the Vigil Mass (100+ people) & the 10am Morning Mass (150+), and they agree that it would be harmful to our parish if either of these were cut. The Sunday 6.30pm Mass is used as their usual Sunday Mass by about 50 regular attendees and as a "convenience" Mass by anything from 10 up to 30 others - from here or elsewhere in the locality. (These numbers relate to the summer; the rest of the year, they are higher.) The priests have asked that the Sunday evening Mass be kept on for the sake of the people in the area, especially as the only others nearby will be at Jesmond & Ashington. They have agreed to share the burden of this Mass when needed. This means that there will be no immediate change to the Mass timetable here. The local priests have the interests of the people at heart, so we'll continue here as at present, *while the current parish-staffing lasts.*

**ST OSWALD'S RAFFLE**

Unclaimed Prize. Please could David Rich contact Susan on 07939079010 to claim his prize.

**NEWMAN ASSOCIATION**

*"Dietrich Bonhoeffer: A Very Catholic Protestant Martyr"* - a talk by Terry Wright. This Wednesday (25th) at 7.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church Hall, Farringdon Road, Cullercoats, NE30 3EY. All welcome.

**Partnership Development Group Summer Mtg**

The minutes of the most recent meeting are now at the back of church (in paper form), and are on the partnership page of our parish website.

**ST OSWALD'S HOSPICE SERVICE**

On Sunday 29th July it is the turn of our parish to host the Sunday afternoon service at St Oswald's Hospice. All parishioners are warmly invited to join us in the hospice chapel at 4.00pm for a short service of Hymns, readings and prayers. Contact Pat & Ged Downey [0191 2421718](tel:01912421718).

**THANKS TO THE TODDLERS' GROUP**



We thank the Sacred Heart Parent & Toddler Group (who meet in the hall on a Monday) for a very kind donation to parish funds of £250. It is much appreciated, and we wish them a happy summer holiday. All the best! *Fr Jim.*

**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. Amen. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS.**

*Fri, Sept 28: Partnership Mass, 7pm, & Social evening at St Wilfrid's, Blyth.*

*Sat, Dec 15: Mass for the House-bound, 11am, then the usual fish & chip lunch in the hall.*

**RED MISSION-BOX COLLECTION: next week**

Could you please bring in your APF/Mill-Hill red box at any of the Masses next weekend (July 28/29), to exchange it for an empty one. Also, the summer edition of the Mill-Hill magazine will be available. Thank you. *John Dowling*

**THE LITTLE SISTERS' SUMMER FAYRE**

*Sheila Cunningham writes:* The fayre was held on June 30th at St Joseph's Home. It raised over £5,000 for their funds. Reverend Mother wishes to thank everyone who donated or helped in any way.

**CHILDREN'S CLOTHES COLLECTION**

Tabitha's Place in Benwell are extremely grateful for your donations - at the moment they urgently need clothes for 7 to 12 year-olds. As previously, please leave them bagged in the porch marked FOR GED DOWNEY. Many Thanks

**ALPHA COURSE IN THIS AREA**

We intend to reintroduce the Alpha course in our partnership, as it is considered an excellent tool for parish-outreach to those who are non-practising, puzzled, upset, or curious about the faith. It will be very helpful to parents of children who have just made their First Communion, or who will do so next year. It will also help parents who wish to have their children baptized. We hope to start the programme in each larger parish in the partnership this Autumn. Contact Deacon John Hawthorne, 0191 243-2379 or Fr Jim.

**Youth Ministry Toolkit**

A new online resource is now available on [www.hnyouthtoolkit.org.uk](http://www.hnyouthtoolkit.org.uk)

**UNWANTED ROSARY BEADS**

The Sunderland branch of The Apostleship of the Sea are collecting old/unwanted rosary beads. These will be given to the sea-farers who come into port. Eileen Bolton will collect them from the Sacred Heart porch every Saturday evening.

**HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN! aren't they?**

*Fr Jim writes:* The school summer holiday is here at last! I don't know if it's me getting older, but this third term now seems to stretch on for ever. In recent years, the best of the summer weather has been over by the time the schools have broken up - I hope this isn't the case this year. As usual, there were special events to mark the end of the academic year. I was at Sacred Heart High School for their "Big Mass" on Tuesday afternoon - 1,000 students in the sports hall for a gala performance. I know that St Mary's had a similar event on Friday. St Oswald's said good-bye to their year 6 pupils, as they and their families had their own leavers' Mass on Wednesday evening. The whole-school end-of-term Mass was on Thursday, and Year 6 did their special show for the whole school on the Friday. As usual with St Oswald's, it was all managed with discretion, decorum & class. Please remember that for some children, the 6-week break can be a problem - if their parents can't get time off, or if they can't see friends in the long hols.

**PPC MINUTES**

These will be available on the parish website and at the back of church for the 1st July meeting.

**WELCOME TO VISITORS**

We hope you enjoy your visit to our area, where Tyneside and Northumberland meet. Inside the church, please feel free to go on to the altar area, to see better the famous pre-Raphaelite windows by friends Edward Burne-Jones & William Morris. If you look closely at the crucifixion window, you'll see that the Christ-figure has a female face - probably modelled by Morris' wife, Jane.

**FOOD COLLECTION: - HOW TO + THANK YOU!**

*Fr Jim writes:* We are collecting food (tinned/packet/NOT fresh or perishable) for use in Newcastle. Please place items in the large container in the sacristy. If you could remember this when shopping/ordering on-line, many will be helped. **They're desperate for sugar!** *John Dowling adds:* "All at the Diocesan Refugee Project thank Sacred Heart Parish for your support."

**POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS TO US...**

Do not be afraid to set your sights higher, to allow yourself to be loved and liberated by God. Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit. Holiness does not make you less human, since it is an encounter between your weakness and the power of God's grace.

**PARISH PROPERTY ISSUES**

*Fr Jim writes:* We met the diocesan property manager, to discuss these matters: (1) The heating in the hall & Fr Ord room. (2) The hall kitchen: small & not well-arranged. (3) In church, the overhead infra-red heaters: worn-out. (4) The boundary wall with the woodland on the north side (near the presbytery & alongside the hall): in very poor state and could fall down. He told us to go ahead with the boundary-wall repair. *That actually started, but has become embroiled in contacts with the North Tyneside council about the area being a tree conservation zone. A council planning/tree officer phoned last week, and we are trying to set up a meeting with them. Some of the wall we're trying to conserve is being wrecked by tree-growth in the tree-conservation area. Impasse!!!*

**RECYCLING.**

*Amanda Pritchard writes:* Thank you.....  
- for all the stamps (For the Hospice)  
- for all the magazines (for RVI clinics)  
- for all the specs (for Vision Aid Overseas)  
- for all the gift bags (for post-surgery drains, RVI)  
- for all the ink cartridges/mobile phones (Cancer Research U.K.)  
- for all the bras (for Refuge). Please keep them coming!

**ST WILFRID & THE NORTHERN SAINTS' LIST**

*Fr Jim writes:* The current prayer for the partnerships came in a few weeks ago, with the recommendation that we add saints linked with the area on to the list. I was asked why St Wilfrid had been omitted from our local list as: (a) he was a Northumbrian who opened the abbey at Hexham; (b) his name is one of the houses at St Oswald's Primary School; (c) he is the patron of the Blyth Catholic parish. Point taken: he is now in the list in the prayer printed in the left column, and he's in the right chronological order! *As a matter of interest (or is it?) St Wilfrid's abbey at Hexham was dedicated to St Andrew, who became the patron saint of Hexham. This explains why the St Andrew's Cross is so prominent on the emblem of our diocese of Hexham & Newcastle - and on the St Cuthbert's High School badge, which was taken from the diocesan emblem in the 1880's.*

**FR JIM'S TAILPIECE**

(1) *Warning: misogyny alert...* A middle-aged man was in a city-centre bar after work. He ordered a large whisky, drank it, then looked at his mobile phone. He then ordered another large whisky. Then he looked at the phone again, and ordered another large whisky. This went on for a while. Then the barman asked: "Why do you look at your mobile phone each time you order a drink?" The man replied: "It's got a photo of my wife on it. When she starts to look good, then it's time to go home..." (2) *Warning: 'Yuk' alert...* Two really old men were sitting in a park, watching the world go by. Jack said: "I don't know about you, but at ninety-three, I'm full of aches and pains." Bill said: "Oh, I'm the same age, but I feel like a new-born baby." Jack asked "Really? How's that?" Bill replied: "No hair, no teeth, and I think I've just wet myself..."