



R.C. Parish of the Sacred Heart,
North Gosforth.

Bulletin:
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This Weekend: St John the Baptist's Birthday

Saturday 6.30 pm Frank & Marjorie Dillon
Sunday 10.00 am Parishioners
6.30 pm Oswald & Bridie Slater

Next Weekend: The 13th Sunday of the Year

Saturday 6.30 pm Irene Welsh
Sunday 10.00 am Kenneth Gray (Halifax)
6.30 pm Parishioners

Feasts & Mass Intentions during the Week

Monday	June 25	Weekday	10.00 am	Private Intention
Tuesday	June 26	Weekday	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday	June 27	St Cyril of Alexandria	10.00 am	Ken Storey (Sick Person)
Thursday	June 28	St Irenaeus	10.00 am	Dora Bryce
Friday	June 29	SS PETER & PAUL (Holyday of Obligation)	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Sadie Brown (M.F.) Parishioners
Saturday	June 30	Weekday	10.00 am	NO Mass/Service... (Parish Day at Minsteracres)

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	Nattie + Sonia
THIS WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	D: Henry, Maisie, Elisa, Euan
6.30pm	M Ramsay	D Lynn	A McKeown	1	CHURCH CLEANING	
10:00 am	L Barton	A Emmerson	H McAree	3	COUNT	P Wright + C Weddell
6.30pm	K Gosling	Anna Haighton	C Newton	7	GREETERS	C Sciacoluga + M Jones
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: J Shepherd					TEA ROTA	S Watson + P Lowery

ROTAS	READERS			EUCH MIN	10am CHILDREN'S LIT	Angela + Adelaide
NEXT WEEK	1st READING	2nd READING	PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		10am SERVERS' TEAM	A: Millie, Leo, Thomas, Hannah, Ines
6.30pm	P Fenning	A Rose	P Talbot	1	CHURCH CLEANING	J Curry, M Whitehead, L Renton
10:00 am	P Middleton	R Boullin	McTernan Family	4	COUNT	D Lynn + Atherton
6:30 pm	W Miller	C Craig	D Newton	7	GREETERS	M Weston + H Dixon
Composer of the Prayer of the Faithful: Seebeck Family					TEA ROTA	D Dowden + M Henman

Please pray for the Dead:

Recently Dead:

Kathleen (Kath) Almond on Friday in Menorca.

Anniversaries:

Frank & Marjorie Dillon	Catherine Rodden
Oswald & Bridie Slater	Vi Blair
Joseph Rawcliffe	Gerard McCretton
Bob Cairns	Mary Scott
Elfrida Taylorson	Agnes Lamb
Florence Shields	

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
Babs Murtagh	

Congratulations!

This weekend, there are no baptisms/weddings here.

Thank You!

Last weekend: parish cash collection = £489.55.

Thank you for your continuing generous support.

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

Fr Jim writes: Our Northumberland vicariate clergy agreed that Mass times should be settled by the local people, under principles set by the bishop. Eventually, our Seaton Delaval partnership will be probably down to 2 priests, and we must plan for that, *though whether we need to cut the Masses before the priests are down to two is a matter of contention . See below.*

IMPORTANT NOTE: MASS TIMES HERE Partnership Priests' Discussion

Fr Jim writes: The other priests of our partnership are now aware that the two Masses most used by parishioners are the Vigil Mass (100+ people) & the 10am Morning Mass (150+). They agree that it would be harmful to our parish if either of these were cut. On the other hand, 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. They have asked that this Sunday evening Mass be kept on for the sake of the people in the area, and 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. However, if any of the clergy were to leave/retire, it would mean that a change would have to be made quickly. The diocese will not like this agreement, and I'll have to carry any 'flak' that may come along (and it will!). 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.*

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE EXPLORING PERSONAL PRAYER

An individually guided retreat began here last Thursday in church hall and will run until Thursday 29th July inclusive. Weeks 2-6 will consist of a half an hour one to one meeting with a trained guide. Week 7 of the retreat will end with a final group liturgy. The only requirement is a commitment to try and spend 20/30 minutes per day in personal prayer before meeting with your guide. For more information or to book a place on the retreat contact Flo Nilsson Tel: 07884979249 Email: flocarlnilsson@yahoo.com

FAITH IN ACTION AWARD

This national Catholic award scheme for school years 6-11, encouraging young people to reflect on their faith and put into action, can be carried out in both school and parish groups. Two training sessions will take place for those who would like to run the Award: Thurs 5th July 7pm - 8.30pm St Aloysius Parish Hall, Hebburn and Friday 6th July 1.30pm - 3pm at St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn. To book a place, please contact admin@ymt.org

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, Cuthbert, Hilda 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

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

*Fri, June 29: St Oswald's Year 4 Mass, 9am.
Fri, July 6: St Oswald's Year 5 Mass, 9am.
Thu, July 19: St Oswald's end-of-year Mass, 9am.*

Pastoral Day at Minsteracres, with Fr Jeroen Saturday, June 30th, 10am - 4pm.

The parish Adult education group have arranged this trip out to Minsteracres for the last Saturday in June. It will be led by Fr Jeroen Hoogland, the rector there. He is a very good speaker, and it promises to be a good day - apart from being a nice place for a summer's day out! There are timetables at the back of church. It will be a good time for all of us who are interested in the church's mission to have a day out together and think (in lovely surroundings) about what we do and how we can help others. The theme is Discipleship and Service - ideas close to Bishop Seamus' heart. Interested? Either see me, or sign up at the back of church. *Fr Jim.*

FIRST COMMUNIONS LAST SATURDAY...

All said that the service went well - the church was full, with well over 350 people here. The children have been great to deal with. I wish to thank the parish catechists, the school staff and the children's families themselves for making the whole programme a real pleasure, from last October, right up to date. The next task is to try to encourage the parents to see regular Mass as a natural part of family life. That's a job for all parishes now. **This Sunday at 10am, we welcome the children & their families for the "Going-forth" celebration Mass.** *Fr Jim.*

CHILDREN'S CLOTHES COLLECTION

Mathilda'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

COFFEE/CAKES : HALL, THIS SUNDAY 11am

Proceeds to St Oswald's Hospice (In memory of Agnes Wright). Thanks, in anticipation of your support.

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 INVITATION

All those concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a co-workers' meeting at the Emmaus Village on Sunday 8th July at 3.00pm (Tea, coffee and cake from 2.15pm). YMT will present a number of opportunities including the national Flame event which happens in March 2019 and this will also be a time to share good practice with people from other parts of the diocese. Please let YMT know if you are coming on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

Youth Ministry Toolkit

A new online resource is now available on www.hnyouthtoolkit.org.uk

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...

Contrary to the growing consumerist individualism that tends to isolate us in a quest for well-being apart from others, our path to holiness can only make us identify all the more with Jesus' prayer "that all may be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you" (146).

COUNT TEAMS: NEW HELP WANTED!

Gerard Shepherd writes: Could you help the parish by counting the weekly collection on a Sunday evening? We need new volunteers to form teams (usually 2 per team). The commitment is for about 90 minutes every six weeks - less often were there enough teams. If you can help, please contact me at gerardshp@gmail.com. Thanks.

THE LITTLE SISTERS' SUMMER FAYRE...

...takes place at St Joseph's Home on **Sat. 30th June, 1pm.** (Not 16th, as originally printed).

If you would like to make a donation, please leave it with Fr Jim or Pauline.

PARISH PROPERTY ISSUES

Fr Jim writes: This Monday, we meet the diocesan property manager, to discuss these matters: (a) The hall heating is unsatisfactory, and in the back meeting (Fr Ord) room, it's virtually non-existent. We'd like to do that room up to make it more usable & welcoming. (2) The hall kitchen is small & not user-friendly. We'd like to modify that, if possible. (3) In church, the overhead infra-red heaters are worn-out (30+ years old) and need replacing. (4) The boundary wall with the woodland on the north side (near the presbytery & alongside the hall) is in a bad state and could fall down. We'd like to take action on these things this summer.

ST OSWALD'S HOSPICE SERVICE

Advance notice of upcoming dates when our parish is responsible for the Sunday afternoon service at St Oswald's hospice: 29th July, 9th September Many Thanks Ged Downey.

RECYCLING.

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! Amanda

FR JIM'S TAILPIECE

Two 'senior' Newcastle men - Tom and Bill - were driving to the Highlands for ski-ing one winter. Half way up, there was a bad snowstorm, and they decided to seek refuge for the night. They stopped at a farm; a very attractive lady opened the door and agreed to offer them shelter. She said: "I'm recently widowed, so it would not look good if I let two men stay in the house. Would the barn be OK?" They agreed. The next morning, the weather cleared, so they set off again. A year later, Tom met Bill and said: "Do you remember that good-looking widow we stayed with on the road to Aviemore?" Bill: "Er, yes. Why?" Tom: "Did you get up and 'pay her a visit' in the night?" Bill, blushing: "Er, er yes." Tom: "And did you use my name, instead of your own?" Bill (now beetroot colour): "Yes. Why, what's up?" Tom: "She's just died and left me £250,000."