

| Mass Times, Intentions & Services                   |   |  |  |
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| Date  | Time  | Church                                   | Mass Intentions & Services   |
| <b>Sat 28 Dec</b><br><i>Vigils</i>                  | <b>5.00pm</b><br><b>6.30pm</b>                    | St Charles<br>Sacred Heart               | <i>Winifred &amp; James Halcrow (RIP)</i><br><i>Richard Murray (RIP)</i>             |
| <b>Sun 29 Dec</b><br><i>The Holy Family</i>         | <b>9.00am</b><br><b>10.30am</b>                   | St Charles<br>Sacred Heart               | <i>Norman Hunter &amp; Patrick Mahon</i><br><i>Joseph Walton Pearson</i>             |
| <b>Mon 30 Dec</b><br><i>6th Day Of Christmas</i>    | <b>9.30am</b>                                     | St Charles                               | <i>Eucharistic Service</i>   |
| <b>Tue 31 Dec</b><br><i>7th day Of Christmas</i>    | <b>9.30am</b>                                     | Sacred Heart                             | <i>Holy Souls</i>  |
| <b>Wed 1 Jan 2025</b><br><i>Mary, Mother of God</i> | <b>10.00am</b>                                    | St Charles                               | <i>David Henry (RIP)</i>   |
| <b>Thu 2 Jan</b><br><i>Ss Basil &amp; Gregory</i>   | <b>9.30am</b><br><b>10.00am</b><br><b>11.30am</b> | Sacred Heart<br>St Charles<br>St Charles | <i>Holy Souls</i><br><i>Café</i><br><i>Funeral Service - Wilf Gaffney</i>            |
| <b>Fri 3 Jan</b><br><i>Weekday before Epiphany</i>  | <b>9.30am</b>                                     | St Charles                               | <i>Wilf Gaffney (RIP)</i>  |
| <b>Sat 4 Jan</b><br><i>Vigils</i>                   | <b>5.00pm</b><br><b>6.30pm</b>                    | St Charles<br>Sacred Heart               | <i>Patrick &amp; Kathleen Keane (Thanksgiving)</i><br><i>Angela Sunderland (RIP)</i> |
| <b>Sun 5 Jan</b><br><i>The Epiphany Of The Lord</i> | <b>9.00am</b><br><b>10.30am</b>                   | St Charles<br>Sacred Heart               | <i>Alex &amp; Franca Warrington (RIP)</i><br><i>Clara Gerrard (A)</i>                |

**St Charles**

*Eucharistic Adoration*  
*8.45am*  
*when weekday Service is at 9.30am*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

*Saturday*  
St Charles 4.30 - 4.50pm  
Sacred Heart 6.00 - 6.20pm  
*Sunday*  
St Charles 8.30 - 8.50am  
Sacred Heart 10.00 - 10.20am

**Sacred Heart**

*Eucharistic Adoration*  
*8.45am*  
*when weekday Service is at 9.30am*

The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocese's policies and procedures at all times. At St Charles Parish the Safeguarding Representatives are *Catherine McTernan & Sarah Logie* and at Sacred Heart it is *Jo Shepherd*, or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at [safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk)



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**Sacred Heart - North Gosforth**  
**St. Charles - Gosforth**



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**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
**29 December 2024**

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The Emmaus Mass Sheet

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**those who are sick or housebound and their carers:**

*Layth Abdulla, Anna Atkinson, Dorothy Barrow, Mark Bennett, Caroline Cassidy, Freda Dakers, Caroline Dixon, Bedelia Douglass, Mary Farrar, Graham Firth, Daniel Garton, Nicola Gauld, Roger Gray, Maureen Keddy, Terry O'Malley, Joseph Poland, Lisa Robinson Tilley, Natasha Rose, Jo Sutton, Michelle Wilkinson, Cliff Woodball, Julie Yoeart, Liz Sasse, Kathleen Murphy, Louise Chavannes, Rebecca Brockbank, Pete, Eileen Spraggon, Mary Turnbull, Walter Jackson, Tony Smith, Nina Buller, Corina C, Nick McKeown, Karen McKeown, Margaret Woodley, Anna Cuskin, Rev Alex Mabbs,*



**for those who have died recently,**

*Wilf Gaffney, Fr Kevin Cummins, Susan Smith,*

**and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

*Charles King, Joseph Pearson, Edith Campbell, Alan Wilcox, Joan Leighton, Terry Muckle, Ray Watson, Arnold Warents, Ray McClorry, Michael Forest, Anne Thompson, Doreen Boiston,*

**May they rest in peace.**

**Money Matters**



*Last Sunday's Collection:*

*St. Charles*  
**£ 617.91**

*Sacred Heart*  
**£ 543.72**

## Notices for the Week

### Thank you

To all who contributed to our Christmas Masses and helped make them special and welcoming for all who joined us.

### Jubilee 2025

Jubilee opens on *Sun 29 Dec*, 'Feast of the Holy Family'. In Rome Pope Francis will be opening Holy Doors in *St Peter's & St John Lateran* and here in Hexham & Newcastle Bishop Stephen will be opening Holy Doors in *St Mary's Cathedral & St Joseph Hartlepool*. For more details about events during the Holy Year visit the Diocesan website.

### Wedding

*Casey Barron & Dominic Hill* will be married at Sacred Heart today *Sun 29 Dec* at 12.00noon

### Friends of the Holy Land

While we celebrate the Nativity, the birth of our Saviour, Bethlehem is still closed. Many are still too fearful to travel. There are shortages of food and fuel, Inns and Hotels are empty. Help the Christian community there to survive, offerings left at the crib go to the Church in Palestine.

2025

*Wishing You all  
a Peaceful and Happy New Year*

*Fr Michael*

### The Northern Catholic Calendar

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle 2025 edition on sale back of church £3.50

### New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

*Wed 1 Jan* St Charles 10.00am

### World Day for Peace - 1 January

A message from Pope Francis to the world will be read at Masses on the Feast of The Holy Family next weekend 28/29 Dec.

### Prayers for Peace

The Rosary is recited at St Charles on Wednesdays 9.00am.

### St Charles Café

As there is no public transport on New Year's Day, the first Café in 2025 will be on *Thu 2 Jan* at 10.00am in the Parish Centre.

### RIP

Funeral Service - Wilf Gaffney 11.30am *Thu 2 Jan* St Charles followed by Cremation.

### SVP 200 Club St Charles

Renewal for 2025 is now due. Price is unchanged at £12 per year. Cash, or check (payable to SVP St Charles Conference Account) to John Doyle please. Bank details can be provided for credit transfer. New subscribers welcome. Tel: 079333005840 or email [jdoyle67@btinternest.com](mailto:jdoyle67@btinternest.com)

### The Epiphany of The Lord

The Feast of the Epiphany this year falls on the weekend of *4/5 Jan*. The Mass times are the usual weekend times: Sat 5.00pm & 6.30pm. Sun 9.00am & 10.30am.

**SOS Save Our Spire** - *St Charles Spire Fund* total raised: £9,456.54 Target £10,000 almost there.

### Baptisms

*Raphael Hugh William Bone* will be baptised at St Charles *Sun 5 Jan*, welcome to the parish and best wishes to his parents *Christopher & Amy*.

*Ava Gabrielle Douglas* will be baptised at Sacred Heart during 10.30am Mass on *Sun 12 Jan*, welcome to the parish and best wishes to her parents, *Callum & Fababeele*.

*Mae Elizabeth Jenner* will be baptised at St Charles *Sun 12 Jan*, welcome to the parish and best wishes to her parents *Anna & Luke*.

### Care of the Earth

*Postage stamps*: place in box *Trinity Café, Gosforth High St* proceeds in aid of *St Oswald's Hospice*.

### Interested in becoming a Catholic -RCIA?

Deanery Programme, all sessions take place 6.45-8.00pm at St Teresa's, Heaton. Enter via main Church door. *Tue 7 Jan*. Session 5 'Creation'

### RIP

Graveside Service - *Susan Smith* - Hollywood Cemetery *Wed 8 Jan* 10.30am.

**Book Club** - *Thurs. 9 Jan.* at 7.00pm at Sacred Heart. We will discuss 'Cutting for Stone' by Abraham Verghese.

### Glasses/Spectacles

Do you have any glasses/spectacles you do not use? We will recycle them with a local optician if you put them in the box in the church porch.

### White Flower Appeal - Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

SPUC's vision is for a world where abortion is unthinkable. An appeal will be made at the weekend Masses *11/12 Jan* and a collection taken to support SPUC.

### Sacrament of Confirmation Course 2025

Preparation will take place at St Teresa's, Heaton on *Tue evenings* 6.45-8.15pm. If you would like to be Confirmed, speak to your priest or collect a form from St Mary's High School. The programme began on *Tue 3 Dec*. The next session is *Tue 14 Jan* with monthly meetings until the Confirmation Mass on *Thu 26 June 2025* venue yet to be decided.

### Carmelite Social Service Society

*Fr Joseph ODC* will make an appeal the weekend of 18/19 Jan on behalf of the *Carmelite Social Service Society* it works with the poor and disadvantaged of South India.

### Christian Unity Week 18-25 Jan

St Charles is hosting this year's *Christian Unity Service* to which our neighbouring Christian churches are invited on *Sun 19 Jan* at 6.00pm

### POSH Panto

*23, 24, 25 Jan 2025 Sacred Heart Hall*. Tickets on sale (Card, cash or scan QR Code on poster) More info contact Siann 07539 616279

### Holiday

Fr Michael will be away from *27 Jan– 7 Feb*.

### Celebration of Marriage & Family Life

Holy Mass with Bishop Stephen St Mary's Cathedral *Sat 8 Feb* 12.00pm open invite to all, especially if you are recently married or about to celebrate a significant anniversary this year.

### Flame 2025 - 'Unstoppable, Fan The flame of Hope' Wembley

Takes place on *Sat 15 March*, open to anyone from school *Year 9 and above*. Cost £45 per person, contact *Youth Mission Team*: [mary.hughes@ymt.org](mailto:mary.hughes@ymt.org)