



St. Paul's RC Church, Cramlington
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Parish Priest – Fr. Manoj Joseph



Parish Mission Statement

To be a welcoming community that encounter Jesus in our Sacraments and spiritual activities and reflects Jesus' experience to the periphery of our community through the works of charity and transparent Christian living.

**Sunday,
1st January 2023**

**Mary, the Holy Mother
of God**

**Blessed Virgin Mary
kept all these things
in her heart.**



Mass Times, Intentions and Feasts

Sat 31 st 6pm	People of the Parish
Sun 1 st Jan 10:45am	People of the Parish
Wed 4 th 10am.	
Thur 5 th 10am	Paddy Killen RIP
Fri 6th 10am	Epiphany. Holy Day of Obligation
Sat 7 th 6pm	People of the Parish
Sun 8 th 10.45am	Christine Turner RIP

New Year Message from Fr. Manoj

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ; May you find a place for Jesus in your life and family. Let He be reborn in your heart and life every day of the New Year 2023. May the baby Jesus radiate His presence from within you as sharing love, unconditional forgiveness, humble service, a compassionate heart and overflowing generosity. May the Holy Babe of Bethlehem bless you and your family with peace and happiness and grant you a peaceful and blessed New Year. I assure you of my special prayers every day in the New Year. Keep well and stay safe. Have a Christ-filled New Year!

Fr. Manoj Joseph SAC

Rosary

We will have the Rosary said this weekend prior to Mass in lieu of Adoration as it is the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God.

Change in Mass Times

There will be no Mass celebrated on Wednesday 11th January 2023.

**Saturday 31st December, Vigil Mass
Sunday 1st January Mass**

1st Reading: Numbers 6: 22 - 27

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 66
O God, be gracious and bless us.**

2nd Reading: Galatians 4: 4 - 7

Gospel: Luke 2: 16 - 21

Best Wishes for the New Year

Thank you for your incredible support throughout the year, I look forward to making more of an impact alongside you in 2023. The church relies on people getting involved. Our church, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our church? What aspects of church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in your parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or by visiting local schools? Or raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the diocese? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with mmaughan@cafod.org.uk. Wishing you all the best this New Year! Regards, Mark Maughan
H & N Diocese CAFOD Community Participation Coordinator

Local Fatima Centre for Pilgrimage 2023.

We are happy to share that our church has been granted permission to establish as a Local Fatima Centre for Pilgrimage for the coming year of 2023 and would like to involve various parishes and schools where they may wish to take the Statue of Our Lady for a visitation. Our parish will organise the first 5 Saturday devotions, Rosary, Message of Fatima, Prayer and Adoration, Spiritual Reflections, along with wide ranging functions and events throughout the year. Please try and give as much support as you can to this project.

First Holy Communion Programme 2023

Will parents of any Year 4 children and above who are not at St. Peter & St. Paul's school please speak with Fr. Manoj at our weekend Masses if they wish their children to make their First Holy Communion in 2023.

Partnership Spirituality Group

The feast of our Partnership St. Benet Biscop will be celebrated with evening Mass on 12th January at 7pm at St Bede's, Bedlington. You are all most welcome to come along and join in the celebration.

Home Visits for the Sick and Homebound

If you know anyone who would like to have a home visit from the priest to bring Holy Communion or for the sacrament of Reconciliation, or from a Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion, please let Fr. Manoj know. Envelopes are now available at the back of church for people to request a visit and these could be placed in with the Offertory Collection.

Food Bank

Your donations to the Food Bank will now return to its normal purpose following your generous donations to Lamb House over the Advent Season. Thanks to you all for your generosity and support to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee and tea will be served in the back room every Wednesday morning following Mass, which will be celebrated in church at the new time of 10:00am. Please do come and join us.

Mass Intentions

Parishioners are invited to have Mass celebrated for their own personal intention. If you would like to use this facility, please give the relevant information to Fr. Manoj with your preferred date and an alternative date. Envelopes are available at the back of church and can be added to the Offertory Collection.

Advent Alms

Thank you to everyone who donated into our Advent Alms Box. All monies donated will be sent to St. Cuthbert's Care who are committed to helping improve the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in our society.

Parish Finances

As you are all aware expenditure for everyone has increased substantially, and we as a community, are not exempt. We would ask you to consider, if you are able, to increase your donations to assist in keeping our parish financially viable.

Parish Boundary

In January 2020 Bishop Robert established a Committee to look at parish boundaries and after consultation with parishes it was decreed that our boundary would be modified immediately. The new boundary can be seen on the map displayed at the back of church and any catholic residing within the boundary shall be deemed to be a parishioner of St. Paul's.

Dates for your Diary

We propose to hold a book sale weekends 14th/15th and the 21st/ 22nd of January, and a Tombola Stall weekends 11th / 12th and 18th / 19th February. Both take place in the café area.

Finances

Weekly Collection 24th / 25th December - £628.81

Bonus Ball

Result Sat 24th December. No 19
Congratulations to Terry Robson

You must be in it to win it.

Rota List

There is a list on the Notice Boards covering the period up to 26th March 2023. Please check and let Peter know of any unsuitable dates for you.

Bidding Prayers	Sat 31 st Dec	Jacqui H
Welcomers	Sat 31 st Dec.	Emma, India & Hugo P
	Sun 1 st Jan.	Meg C & Peter K
Readers.	Sat 31 st Dec	Margaret F & Malcolm G
	Sun 1 st Jan	Jacqui H & Peter K
Coffee	Sat 31 st Dec	Joyce & Malcolm G
Bulletin		Kathy
Weekly Cleaners		Terry C & Averill R
Collection Counters		Stephanie N, Sheila H

Bidding Prayers	Sat 7 th Jan	Agnes
Welcomers	Sat 7 th Jan	Anne Marie L & Linda T
	Sun 8 th Jan	Julie & Bob Mitchell
Readers.	Sat 7 th Jan	Terry C & Gladys H
	Sun 8 th Jan	David S & Theresa W
Coffee	Sat 7 th Jan	Victoria & Pamela

Please let John Reid, 07833 692397, or Peter Killen, 07948 403341, know if you are unavailable so a substitute can be arranged.

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