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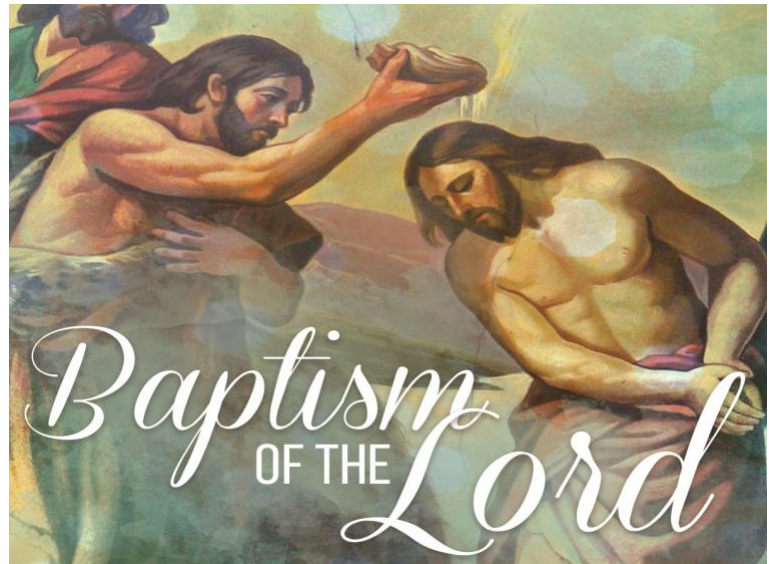


**Parish Mission Statement**

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,  
8th January 2023  
Cycle A**

**Baptism of the Lord**



**Mass Times, Intentions and Feasts**

Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	People of the Parish
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> 10.45am	Christine Turner RIP
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> 10am	
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> 10am	St. Benet Biscop
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	People of the Parish
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> 10.45am	People of the Parish

**Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Friday Evening: 6:00-7.00pm At St. John's  
Saturday Evening: 5:30-5.50pm before Mass  
Sunday Morning: 10.15-10.35am before Mass**

**A time of SILENCE in church for quiet prayer. As the Blessed Sacrament is already exposed when people come into the church can you please respect the situation and keep the decorum of the church by meeting and carrying out any discussions in the Piety Stall until the Blessed Sacrament is reposed.**

**Partnership Mass**

The feast of our Partnership Patron, St. Benet Biscop, will be celebrated with **evening Mass** this coming **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm in St Bede's, Bedlington**. You are all most welcome to come along and join in the celebration.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January, Vigil Mass  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January Mass**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 42: 1 - 4, 6 - 7

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 28  
The Lord will bless his people with peace**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Acts 10: 34 - 38

Gospel: Matthew 3: 13 - 17

**Our Partnership Patron, Saint Benet Biscop**

Born in Northumbria, England, c. 628; of the highest Anglo-Saxon nobility, Biscop Baducing held office in the household of King Oswy (Oswiu) of Northumbria. But, after a journey to Rome when his was 25 (653) in the company of Saint Wilfrid, the saint renounced his inheritance and dedicated himself to God. Following a second visit to Rome with Oswy's son Aldfrith in 666, he became a monk in the monastery of Saint-Honorat in Lerins near Cannes, France, taking the name Benedict. In 674 he was granted 70 hides of land by Oswy's son, Egfrid, at the mouth of the River Wear (Wearmouth), where he built a great stone church and monastery dedicated to Saint Peter. In 682 Egfrid gave him a further gift of forty hides of land at Jarrow on the Tyne River. Here he established a second monastery six miles from St. Peter's, dedicated it to Saint Paul in 685, which became famous as a great centre of learning in the West, and the home of Saint Bede. It was in large part due to him that the Church of Northumbria turned from the old Celtic forms to those of Rome. At the end of his life, Benedict suffered from a painful paralysis in his lower limbs and he asked the monks to come into his room to sing Psalms and he joined them when he could. His last exhortations to his monks before he died were to continue his work, to preserve his great library, to follow the monastic Rule of Saint Benedict, and elect an abbot based on his holiness. He died aged 62 at Wearmouth, England, on January 12 c. 690.

Historians say that the civilisation and learning of the 9th

### Change in Mass Times

There will be no Mass celebrated this coming Wednesday 11th January 2023. Coffee morning will be at 10:00am!

### Confirmations 2023

We are delighted to announce that Confirmations will again take place this summer. Confirmation can take place for anyone in school year 9 and above. There is a form to complete which is available on the St Pauls Parish website, (see Sacraments / Confirmation page) but in the early stages please let Fr Manoj or Deacon Tony know the details of candidates.

We would encourage anyone who is still to receive this Sacrament, regardless of age, to come forward and we ask all parishioners to spread the word to family and friends.

God Bless, Deacon Tony.

### 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.

### 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 during this very difficult period.

### 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.

### 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.

### Holocaust Memorial Evening 2023

St Mary's Catholic School, Newcastle NE7 7PE at 7pm Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January. Guest Speaker is Mrs Noreen Plen with the theme of "Ordinary People". Booking is essential via 0191 2433316

### Coffee Mornings

Coffee / tea will be served in the back room every Wed. morning following 10.00am Mass. Please do come & join us.

### Doreen Mary Dunn RIP

"Please pray for the repose of the soul of Doreen Mary Dunn who died on 28 December 2022". Her Requiem Mass is to take place in St Paul's on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 10:00am followed by Cremation in Cowpen. Please note this Mass will replace the 10:00am Mass at St John's.

### 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.

### Parish Events

We propose to hold a **Book Sale** this weekend 14<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> and also on the 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> of January, in the Café area. All books at 50p each.

A **Tombola Stall** will take place on weekends 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> / 19<sup>th</sup> February. **Donations of small prizes would be most welcome.**

### Food Bank

Your donations to the Food Bank will now return to its normal. Thanks to you all for your generosity and support.

### Finances

Weekly Collection 31<sup>st</sup> Dec / 1<sup>st</sup> Jan £208.22

Advent Alms £10.00 to St Cuthbert's Care. Thank you

### Bonus Ball

Result Sat 31<sup>st</sup> December. No 19 Congrats 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 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Please check and let Peter know of any unsuitable dates for you.**

Bidding Prayers	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Agnes
Welcomers	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Anne Marie L & Linda T
	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Julie & Bob Mitchell
Readers.	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Terry C & Gladys H
	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	David S & Theresa W
Coffee	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Victoria & Pamela
Bulletin		Peter
Weekly Cleaners		Stella S & Barbara B
Collection Counters		Joe S, Betty W & Averill R

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Welcomers	Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Stella S & Marylyn T
	Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Stephanie & Russell N
Readers.	Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Barbara B & Malcolm G
	Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Julie M & Eddie L
Coffee	Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Joyce & Malcolm G

**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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