

St. Paul's RC Church, Cramlington 28 Dewley, Cramlington, NE23 6EF, Tele: 01670 712476. 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 26th March 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

"Lazarus is brought back to life." I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live

- John 11:25



Sat 25 th Mar		Times and Intentions Billy, Freda & Kevin Bell RIP
Sun 26 th	10.45am	NO MASS - Eucharistic Service
Wed 29 th	10:00am	Margaret Forster (recovery)
Thur 30 th	10:00am	School Mass: Year 2 attending
Fri 31 st	10:00am	Stations of the Cross
Sat 1 st April	6:00pm	
Sun 2 nd	11.00am	Palm Sunday

Friday Evening: at St. John the Baptist Way of the Cross at 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm

Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday Evening: 5:30 - 5.50pm before Mass at St. Paul's Sunday Morning: 10.15 - 10.35am before Mass at St. Paul's

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.

Sat 25th March Vigil Mass, Sunday 26th Mass 1st Reading: Ezekiel 37: 12 - 14 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 129 With the Lord there is

Mercy and fullness of redemption

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 8 - 11 Gospel: John 11: 1 - 45

Hymn Numbers for Mass this Saturday.

4: 63: 417: 109.

As Fr.Manoj has COVID there will also be a Eucharistic Service at 9:30am at St John's this Sunday, 26th.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be recited each Friday during Lent at 10:00am in church. For those unable to attend an alternative version will be available each Friday evening at 7:00pm via our usual Parish YouTube Channel www.voutube.com/c/StPaulsRCChurchCramlington

Days of Reconciliation

As we are preparing for the Celebration of Easter through the Holy Week celebrations, there will be a day set apart for the faithful to prepare themselves by the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These will be on Friday 31st March from 5.00pm to 7.00pm at St. John the Baptist's Church Annitsford and on Tuesday 4th April from 5.00pm to 7.00pm at St. Pauls Church Cramlington.

Our Lady of Fatima Statue

A list has been placed at the back of church for parishioners to enter their preferred dates to have a small statue of our Blessed Mother in their home and recite the Rosary for one week at a time.

Church Flowers

Currently there are two parishioners Pauline and Averill who arrange church flowers every two weeks. We would welcome more people to give their time to this service. If anyone could commit to this a few times a year please let Father Manoj know. As there are no flowers during the six weeks of Lent we will meet on Easter Saturday 8th April to prepare flowers for Easter Sunday; please join us if you can. Averill Robson

Egg Hunt

There will be an Egg Hunt after Mass on Easter Sunday (weather permitting). All children are welcome to join in this 'Eggstravaganza'.

Holy Week Services

The following schedule of services for Holy Week has been agreed for St. Paul's and St. John's churches because Fr. Manoj will be the only available priest as Fr. Stanly will be away on holiday: **Palm Sunday**: 6:00pm Vigil/11:00am at St. Paul's. 9:30am St John's **Maundy Thursday:** 6:00pm at St. Paul's. No Service at St. John's **Good Friday:** 10:00am Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's & St. John's 11:15am Carrying of the 3 Crosses; meet at Seven Oaks Park. 3pm Veneration of the Cross at St. John's. No Service at St. Paul's **Easter Sunday Vigil:** 5:30pm Mass at St. Paul's & 8:00pm St John's **Easter Sunday:** 9:30am Mass at St. John's & 10:45 am at St. Paul's

Visiting Agnes

As you are probably aware Agnes is now in Room 1 at Astor Court, East Cramlington. She is thoroughly enjoying having visitors but to make sure she doesn't have multiple visitors Stephanie Hartas is suggesting that people who are going to visit Agnes contact her on 07850070097 to check she will be free at that time.. Please do continue to visit – your care and support means a great deal to Agnes

Suggestions Box

This is located on top of the Hymn Book Stand at the back of church adjacent to the Café area to enable parishioners to leave their suggestions to improve and enhance our community. Comments can be made anonymously should you not wish to add your name.

Rosary Beads and Prayer Cards

These are available at the back of church for anyone who wishes to have them at a cost of $\pounds 1$ each. Please help yourself.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings each Wednesday following the 10:00am Mass and they will be held in the back room. All are most welcome.

Spiritual Library

This is available in the Piety Stall and contains many religious books which are available for parishioners to borrow.

Social Group

If you have any suggestions for future events please speak with any member of our Social Group who now are Terry R, Linda T, Maria H, Maria W and Marylyn T.

Newman Association Meeting

Wed 29th March 7.30pm at St Cuthbert's Church Hall, Albion Road West, North Shields. Speaker Isobel Vaughan-Spruce, Leader of the March for Life; Open discussion and greater understanding in today's Church.

Diocesan Investigation.

Work is continuing on the investigation and is now moving to undertaking a survey of clergy, parishioners and staff. The investigation commissioned by the Dicastery for Bishops has issued a survey to be completed by parishioners. This is an anonymous survey, all answers are provided in complete confidence, and you are asked to give your own individual views. The survey will run until March Monday 27 2023 and can be accessed at https://forms.gle/wevQ6zri1t8SCxNg5 or through the Diocesan website. Please complete the survey only once, even if you hold more than one role in the Diocese. Alternatively you can use the QR Code posted on the Notice Board or a paper copy from the back of church if you do not have access to the Internet .

Divine Mercy Novena

As part of the celebration of the Fatima Pilgrimage Centre for Prayer, this year we will be having the Divine Mercy Novena beginning on Good Friday and ending with the Feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday on April 16, 2023. Jesus asked St Faustina that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy giving her an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena. On the last day, Jesus asked her to pray for 'lukewarm and indifferent', of whom He said: "These souls cause Me more suffering than any others; The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy." In her diary, St. Faustina noted that Jesus told her: "On each day of the Novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy. On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls.

Lenten Alms

The left-hand wall box as you leave church is for our Lenten Alms. Please give generously. Thank You

Weekly/Special Collection Envelopes.

These are available to collect from the Piety Stall. If you would like to arrange a direct debit or set of offering envelopes, please see Sheila in the Piety Stall.

Finances

Weekly Collection 18th / 19th March. £199.92

Bonus Ball

Result Sat 18th March; No 58. Congrats to Teresa Kelly Bonus Ball / 200 Club will be draw on Easter Saturday and no payments will be taken that w'end so make sure you are paid up by 1st April to ensure you are included in the Easter draws.

Rota List

Please check the new Rota on the Notice Board, note the dates you are scheduled to Minister and advise John or Peter of any dates you are unable to fulfil.

Bidding Prayers	Sat 25 th Mar	Malcolm G		
Welcomers	Sat 25 th Mar	Emma, India & Hugo P		
	Sun 26 th Mar	Meg C & Peter K		
Readers.	Sat 25 th Mar	Malcolm G & Margaret F		
	Sun 26 th Mar	Peter K & Theresa W		
Coffee	Sat 25 th Mar	Joyce & Malcolm G		
Bulletin		Kathy		
Weekly Cleaners	6	Stephanie N & Barbara W		
Collection Count	ers	Joe S, Betty W & Averill R		
Bidding Prayers	Sat 1 st April	Terry C		
Welcomers	Sat 1 st April	Anne Marie L & Linda T		
	Sun 2 nd April	Julie & Bob M		
Readers.	Sat 1 st April	Gladys H & Terry C		
	Sun 2 nd April	Julie M & Eddie L		
<i>Passion:</i> Narrator Deacon; Jesus Priest: Crowd Barbara B (Sat)				
		Crowd Peter K (Sun)		
Weekly Cleaners	5	Stella S & Barbara B		
Collection Count	ers	Bob & Julie M & Sheila H		
If you cannot cover your Ministry please let John Reid, 07833 692397, or Peter Killen, 07948 403341, know.				

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