



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,  
5<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**

**Second Sunday of  
Lent (A)**

**“This is my Son;  
listen to him.”**



#### Mass Times, Intentions and Feasts

Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6:00pm	
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am	<b>Siddle Family</b>
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	<b>Owen Williams. RIP</b>
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> .	6:00pm	<b>Rosary &amp; Litany at 5:30pm</b>
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am	<b>SCHOOL MASS</b>

#### Stations of the Cross

**Friday 10.00am in church during Lent**

**Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

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

**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.**

#### Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March Vigil Mass, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Mass

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 12: 1 - 4

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 32  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 8 - 10

Gospel: Matthew 17: 1 - 9

**Hymn Numbers for Mass this weekend**

**444: 387: 58: 187.**

#### 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 [www.youtube.com/c/StPaulsRCChurchCramlington](http://www.youtube.com/c/StPaulsRCChurchCramlington) which is our usual Parish YouTube Channel.

#### Live Streaming of Mass

Please note we will no longer be Live Streaming the 10.00am Wednesday or Thursday morning Mass after Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will continue to Live Stream the 6.00pm Saturday and 10.45am Sunday Masses along with Major Feast Days, with times notified in advance.

#### Lent

Lent began on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. During the fourth century, penitents looking for forgiveness and re-entry into the community would dress in sackcloth and sprinkle ashes to show their repentance. Throughout our history, Christians have found prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to be an important part of repentance and renewal. Many now add something during Lent rather than giving up something to add some outreach to others in need. To do nothing would certainly not be in keeping with the spirit of Lent. Furthermore, the sacrifices and extra things we do for Lent help us grow closer to Christ. We are missing out on so many graces if we do not participate fully in Lent. **Why not sign up for CAFOD's Daily Lent Reflections sent direct to your email address via the following link [LENT](#)** It is not necessary to be perfect, but we should try hard.

## Rosary Beads and Prayer Cards

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

## Northern Cross

The March copy is now available at the back of church priced at £1.50 which has a lovely article on the Front Page about Bob Watson's Papal Blessing presentation last year. It was unfortunately delayed in print due to Bishop's resignation.

## St Patrick's Night

A Pie and Pea Supper is to be held on 16th March from 7:30pm with music (not Irish). Irish bingo (anything goes!) and some fun games; all for £6.00. Venue will be. Please contact any member of the Social Group for your tickets.



## Men's Group

We are considering having a men's group in the back of church where you can have a cuppa and a chat and maybe make new friends. We would welcome some feedback from the men of the parish as to whether this is something they would attend. Please let Fr. Manoj or any member of the Social Group know if you're interested.

## Holy Island SVP Vinnie Camp 2023

Are you interested in your child having a holiday in 2023? Let them join us for a week on Holy Island. They will stay in our Centre and be looked after by DBS checked and trained helpers who will ensure they have a safe, fun time. We do lots of interesting and enjoyable activities such as rock pooling, longball, football, rounders, walking, craft and art, table tennis, long ball, Quizzes and competitions and marathons as well as laser tag, silly sports, sand-castle building, swimming and scavenger hunts. Girls and boys can be aged 9-12 and it is a great way for them to meet new people and make friends from all over the North East. A week's all-inclusive holiday costs £150 and can be paid in instalments. In some circumstances children may be able to receive partial or full funding to attend. Applications open from 10th February 2023. If you are interested, or know of a child who could benefit from such a holiday, please visit our website <https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island> for further details.

## Mass Intentions

Please give the 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.

## CAFOD Family Fast Day Lent Appeal

This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. **Please return your envelope this weekend or donate at [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give)** Please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world. You can watch CAFOD's Appeal video on our parish Facebook page or via the following link. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ULTqHsawCZU&t=34s>

Prayer for the people of Turkey and Syria affected by the earthquakes [Earthquake Prayer for Syrian / Turkey People](#)

## Suggestions

A Suggestion Box is to be located at the back of church next weekend for anyone to put in their suggestion they feel will enhance or improve our parish community. No names are necessary.

## Local Fatima Centre for Pilgrimage 2023.

**A list of our Parish activities is now on our Website Home Page.** There is also a link for Mysteries of the Rosary. **Please support this project as best you can. Rosary and Litany next Saturday evening at 5.30pm in lieu of Exposition.**

## Lenten Alms

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

## Birthday Celebrations

Catherine, Jane and John would like to thank Fr Manoj and the community as a whole for their cards, presents and best wishes, and the ladies who got ready and served the food. God Bless you all

## Coffee Mornings

Coffee morning resumes this Wednesday following Mass. It will be held in the back room; all welcome.

## Finances

Weekly Collection 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> February. £256.61  
Your continued support is appreciated. Thank you.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this week for your Family Fast Day Donation.**

## Bonus Ball

Result Sat 25<sup>th</sup> February; No 35 Congrats to Peter Gilroy.  
**Spare Numbers:** 41, 48 & 59. £1 / week with chance to win £40. **You must be in it to win it.**

## Rota List

**As our current Rota (list of names on Boards) ends at the end of March we would appreciate you confirming if you wish to come off the list (all Ministries included) or indeed add your name to a rota you wish to be on. Please e mail Peter on [peter@killenfamily.co.uk](mailto:peter@killenfamily.co.uk). If you want to continue no action is required. Thank you for your help.**

Bidding Prayers	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Teresa K
Welcomers	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Anne Marie L & Linda T
	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Meg C & Peter K
Readers.	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Gladys H & Terry C
	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Peter K & Eddie L
Coffee	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Victoria & Pamela
Bulletin		Peter
Weekly Cleaners		Stella & Barbara B
Collection Counters		Maureen B, Meg C & Kathy O'R

Bidding Prayers	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Malcolm G
Welcomers	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Stella S & Marylyn T
	Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Julie & Bob Mitchell
Readers.	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Barbara B & Malcolm G
	Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	David S & Theresa W
Coffee	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Joyce & Malcolm G

**Please let John Reid, 07833 692397, or Peter Killen, 07948 403341, know if you cannot cover your Ministry so a substitute can be arranged.**

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