



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



Parish Mission Statement

To be a welcoming community that encounters 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 14th January 2024

2nd Sunday Ordinary Time (B)

“We have found the Messiah”

Mass Times and Intentions

Wednesday Masses will be in Back Room.

Sat 13 th	6:00pm	at St. Paul's	Cicely & Bill Pulman RIP
Sun 14 th	10:45am	at St. Paul's	
Tues 16 th	10:00am	at St. John's	
Wed 17 th	10:00am	at St. Paul's	Nancy, John & Keith McCarthy
Thur 18 th	10:30am	School Mass	at St. Paul's
Fri 19 th		No Service this week due to prior commitment for both Fr. Manoj & Deacon Rob	
Sat 20 th	6:00pm	at St. Paul's	
Sun 21 th	10:45am	at St. Paul's	

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.

As the Blessed Sacrament is exposed it is a time for people's private and silent prayer.

Please respect the situation with your silence and carry out any discussions in the Piety Stall prior to the start of Mass.

Sat 13th January Vigil Mass, Sun 14th January Mass

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19

Responsorial Psalm - 39

Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20

Gospel: John 1: 35 – 42

Hymn Numbers for both Masses this weekend

64, 241, 39, 147, 247, 357, 14

Bishop Stephen Wright's Visit to St John's & St. Paul's Parishes

The visit is planned for **Thursday 25th January 2024** with Mass celebrated at 6.30pm at St. John's, Annitsford. There will be refreshments served in the Hall & Presbytery after the Mass. As a parish community it is very important that all the able members of the parish community attend the celebration of the Eucharist with the bishop and after which we will have a chance to meet the bishop.

Pope Francis' Prayer intention for January 2024 For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church

Northern Catholic Calendar

We have a supply of 2024 Northern Catholic Calendars at £3.00 / £3.50 each. If you would like one please see Julie in the Piety Stall.

Root and Branch Forum

Newman Tyneside Circle invites you to come and hear about Root & Branch - a new forum for reform, working for 'a safe, just and inclusive Roman Catholic Church'. The meeting will be at Holy Name parish hall, Jesmond, Newcastle, on Thursday, 25th January at 7.30pm. For more information see www.rootandbranchsynod.org

White Flower Appeal (SPUC)

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) is holding its annual White Flower Appeal this weekend. SPUC's vision is for a world where abortion is unthinkable. This year's appeal calls for the Government to end the pills-by-post DIY abortion policy. As well as ending the lives of precious babies, this policy lacks safeguards against illegal late-term abortions, and puts mothers at physical and psychological risk. Find out more about SPUC's work and support it with a donation at www.spuc.org.uk/donate. A Second Collection will be taken at both Masses next weekend to help SPUC in their efforts to protect the unborn.

HELP!

Your help is needed towards the upkeep of the parish as we go through a depleting financial situation due to the lack of needed contributions at weekends, except for the generous support by the parishioners Standing Orders. Winter is a season where church expenditure shoots up due to the heating expenses etc. I would ask those who are not in the Standing Order scheme to either join or be little more generous towards the upkeep of the parish and our church, which needs urgent financial assistance. **If you are a Taxpayer and join the Gift Aid Scheme your contribution would be increased by 25%, at no additional cost to you, as the Diocese reclaim the tax back you have already paid on your contribution.** Please do consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme. You can speak with Sheila Hedley who can give you further information. Thanks for your kind understanding.

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle Job Vacancies

School Chaplain at St Thomas More Catholic School, Permanent, 37 hrs per week, term time only plus 10 days (includes 5 Inset days). Required from Easter or sooner.

HR Adviser, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – part-time. Closing date: 16th January

HR Administrator, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – part-time. Closing date 16th January

Cleaner, St Augustine, Darlington – part-time. Closing date 22nd January

Cleaner, St Charles, Gosforth - part-time. Closing date 22nd January

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

Life in the Spirit Seminar Series

designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit providing an opportunity to find out more about life and to be helped in taking the first steps of a new, dynamic relationship with the living Lord.

Venue: St Mary's Parish Centre, Bridge St, Sund'land SR1 1TQ

Time: 7.00pm to 8.30pm **Cost:** Free

Refreshments: Light refreshments will be served at the beginning of the sessions.

Dates and Titles of Sessions:

21 February 2024: God's Love – Andy Drozdziak

28 February 2024: Salvation – Amy Cameron

06 March 2024: The New Life – John Wheeler

13 March 2024: Receiving God's Gifts – Pat Kennedy

20 March 2024: Baptism in the Holy Spirit – Fr Shaun O'Neill

24 April 2024: Growth – Deacon Alison Rebello

08 May 2024: Transformation in Christ – Bishop Stephen Wright



A new initiative at St. Nicholas' Village Church

to help keep warm, save on your heating bills, meet new friends, enjoy a free cuppa and bowl of soup.

Fridays 11am - 2pm

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Deidre Bland

We sadly announce the sudden passing of Deidre on Sunday 7th January and ask that you to pray for the repose of her soul.

Cramlington Trussel Trust Food Bank

Donations for the Food Bank have now resumed with the start of the New Year. Please give whatever you can to the bank supporting our local community for families struggling with the never-ending increase in the cost of food and basic essential household items. Thank you

Confirmation Retreat at the Emmaus Village

January 26th to 28th 2024

There are still places for our Confirmation group to join other Confirmation candidates across the Diocese in exploring our faith, the Church, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. In this YMT led Confirmation Retreat, there will be time for fun, faith, and food during these days of retreat. If you are considering receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation or are a catechist and wish to book into the programme please contact nsalkeld@ymt.org before 19th January 2024 or speak with Fr. Manoj or Deacon Tony Turner.

Bonus Ball

Result for 6th January – Number 41. Congratulations to P Quinnin

You must be in it to win it!

We have 4 spare numbers 10,11,25,40 at £1 per week with a chance to win £40 for anyone wanting to join the Bonus Ball Draw.

There is also a spare number for the 200 club.

Please see Sheila or Teresa if you would like a number

Finances

Weekly Collection 6th / 7th January £220.20

Second Collection next weekend for White Flower Appeal(SPUC)

Rota List

Bidding Prayers	13 th Jan	Terry C
Welcomers	13 th Jan	Barbara B & Anne Marie L
	14 th Jan	Julie & Bob M
Readers	13 th Jan	Teresa K & Volunteer
	14 th Jan	Julie M & Eddie L
Coffee	13 th Jan	Joyce & Malcolm G
Bulletin		Mariela
Weekly Cleaning Team 4:		Julie & Bob Mitchell
Collection Counting Team 4		Maureen B, Meg C, Kathy O
Bidding Prayers	20 th Jan	David S
Welcomers	20 th Jan	Anne Marie L & Linda T
	21 st Jan	Russell & Stephanie N
Readers	20 th Jan	Margaret F & Malcolm G
	21 st Jan	David S & Teresa W
Coffee	20 th Jan	Victoria & Pamela
Bulletin		Peter
Weekly Cleaning Team 1:		Stephanie N & Barbara W
Collection Counting Team 5:		Stephanie N & Sheila H

I will be producing a new list to cover February to April 2024 this coming week. If you are willing to join in to help out your parish please let me know. If you already help and are unavailable during this time can you please let me know on 07948 403341 during this coming week. Thanks, Peter.

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