



St. Paul's RC Church, Cramlington
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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 4th February 2024
5th Sunday Ordinary Time (B)

“He cured many who were suffering from diseases.”

Mass Times and Intentions

Wednesday Masses will be in Back Room.

Sat 3 rd	6:00pm	at St. Paul's	Margaret Forster RIP
Sun 4 th	10:45am	at St. Paul's	People of the Parish
Tues 6 th	10:00am	at St. John's	
Wed 7 th	10:00am	at St. Paul's	
Thur 8 th	10:00am	School Mass at St. Paul's – Year 2	Margaret Williams RIP
Fri 9 th		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. John's at 6:00pm Mass at 7pm	
Sat 10 th	6:00pm	at St. Paul's	Bob & Pauline Siddle's 55 th Wedding Anniversary.
Sun 11 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 3rd February Vigil Mass, Sun 4th February Mass

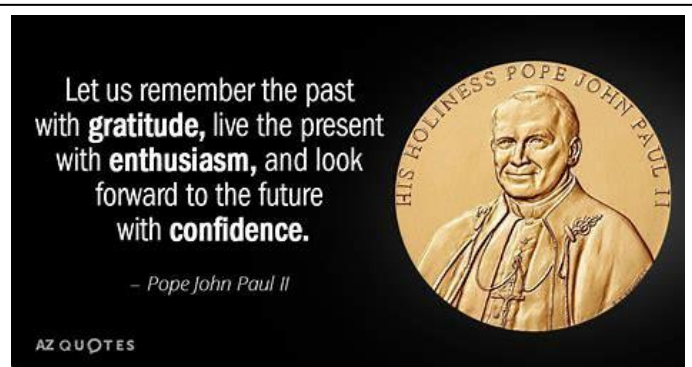
First Reading: Job 7: 1 – 4, 6 – 7

Responsorial Psalm – 146
Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9: 16 – 19, 22 – 23

Gospel: Mark 1: 29 – 39

Hymn Numbers for Sunday Mass this weekend
50, 1001, 138, 387, 417, 357, 79.



Pope Francis' Prayer intention for February 2024

Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

2024 - A year of Prayer

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer. The Holy Father asked that 2024 be a year of prayer, starting in Advent 2023, as a preparatory year for the Jubilee. In preparation for the Jubilee, we are reminded of the centrality of both individual prayer and community prayer. The Lord's Prayer offers us a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Perhaps you could try and put some time aside each day to concentrate on reciting and contemplating the words of the Our Father.

Prayer for Pregnant Women

"We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in their situations, and experience the many blessings that motherhood brings."

National Day of Prayer and Fasting for Life.

On Saturday 10th February you are asked to please pray the Rosary and fast from food, apart from bread and water for the day, for the end of Abortion and Euthanasia.

Diocesan Newsletter February 2024

Lots of very useful information is available via the link [Diocesan Newsletter - February 2024 \(mailchi.mp\)](https://mailchi.mp/diocesan-newsletter-february-2024) Also on our Parish Website.

Diocesan Lenten Reflection Booklets

These will be available for viewing, downloading or printing in time for Ash Wednesday (14th February) via the weblink <https://bit.ly/DHNLentReflections>. These have been produced by people throughout the Diocese to help foster prayerful reflection on the Scriptures.

Sycamore Online Sessions for Lent 2024

Sessions will be held online on Thursdays throughout Lent from 7pm – 8.15pm and will focus on knowing God, our response to this in faith, freedom and love. Please register via 0191 243 3316 or use the [online form](#).

HELP!

Your help is needed towards the upkeep of the parish. I would ask those who are not in the Standing Order scheme to join or be more generous towards the upkeep of the parish and our church. **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 reclaims the tax back that 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, Fr. Manoj.

Rosary on Every Wednesday

Praying the Rosary is one of the best ways to meditate upon the life of Jesus. We are planning to begin praying the Rosary every Wednesday at 9.30 am, prior to the Mass. This will start on the 7th of February 2024. If you are free, kindly join for the Rosary.

Rite of Election 2024

This marks an important stage in the journey of those preparing to become members of the Church. Those who take part are entered into the 'Book of the Elect'. This year the Catechumens and Candidates involved in the RCIA – 'Journey in Faith' programme along with sponsors, catechists, family, and friends will be taking part in the Rite to Election on Sunday, 18th February 2024 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle at 3.00pm (arrivals and gathering 2.30pm.). Bishop Stephen will lead us for the first time in this uplifting ceremony.

Fatima Pilgrimage 2024

As you are aware there is a Fatima Pilgrimage being arranged between our parishes. We have received an overwhelming number of people who have opted to go on this pilgrimage from 20 – 27th September 2024. We have a few seats left due to the last moment cancellation because of certain unavoidable circumstances. If you fancy joining the Pilgrimage, kindly contact Fr. Manoj without delay. He will furnish you with all the details.

Confirmations in St. Benet Biscop Deanery

Having gone through the probable number of candidates for Confirmations in our Deanery, it was discussed in the Deanery meeting of the priests and decided that we will celebrate the Confirmation in 2025. Since the numbers of candidates in 2023 were very low this change to wait until 2025 may provide for a larger uptake than previous years.

Northern Catholic Calendars

These are available at £3.00/£3.50 each in the Piety Stall.

A Note Of Gratitude

Teresa Reid and family would like to thank Fr. Manoj for the beautiful Requiem Mass to celebrate the life of John. In addition we thank Fr. Sebastian, Deacons Tony and Rob, David Marshall for the Music, the parishioners of St. Paul's for their attendance, Prayers, Mass Intentions and Flowers. Thank You.

PPC Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday at 6:30pm. If you have any issues to be raised please put them in writing and give to any PPC member or see Fr. Manoj.

Partnership Station Masses

In order to prepare for the season of Lent focused largely on a more spiritually oriented journey, this year in our partnership, we have agreed to celebrate a Station Mass in four Churches throughout the Partnership; Please do make a note in your diary.

1. **Wednesday 21st February at 7pm** at St Robert of Newminster Church, Morpeth
2. **Wednesday 28th February at 7pm** at St Paul's Church, Cramlington
3. **Wednesday 6th March at 7pm** at Our Lady and St Wilfrid's Church, Blyth
4. **Wednesday 13th March at 7pm** at St Aidan's, Ashington

Bonus Ball

Result for 28th January – Number 16, Sheila Hedley. We have 3 spare numbers 10,11,2,40 @ £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 27 th / 28 th January	£257.30
Racial Justice	£55.35

Rota List

Bidding Prayers	3 rd Feb	Malcolm G
Welcomers	3 rd Feb	Barbara B & Anne Marie L
	4 th Feb	Meg C & Peter K
Readers	3 rd Feb	Malcolm G & Margaret F
	4 th Feb	Eddie L & Jacqui H
Coffee	3 rd Feb	Joyce & Malcolm G
Bulletin		Kathy
Weekly Cleaning Team 3:		Stella S & Barbara B
Collection Counting Team 2:		Maria H & Kathy D

Bidding Prayers	10 th Feb	Terry C
Welcomers	10 th Feb	Maxine T & Linda T
	11 th Feb	Julie & Bob M
Readers	10 th Feb	Terry C & Gladys H
	11 th Feb	Peter K & Teresa W
Coffee	10 th Feb	Victoria & Pamela
Bulletin		Kathy
Weekly Cleaning Team 4:		Julie & Bob M
Collection Counting Team 3:		Julie & Bob M & Sheila H

There is a new list on the Notice Board covering 3rd February to 5th May. Please check it out to see when you are to Minister and let Peter Killen {07948 403341} know if you are unable to attend.

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