

St. John the Baptist RC Church & St. Paul's RC Church Annitsford Dewley

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26th January 2025

Third Sunday of the Year - Cycle C - Sunday of the Word of God

Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday: 5:30pm - 5.50pm before Mass at St. Paul's
Sunday Morning: 9:00am - 9.20am before Mass at St. John's
Church is a place of prayer and reverence for the Blessed Sacrament reserved.
Please keep due silence and atmosphere of the 'Presence of God'

This week's Mass Times, Services and Intentions

St. John the Baptist		St. Paul's	
		Sat 26 th 6:00pm	Thomas Woolaghan &
			Ron Barnston R.I.P.
Sun 26 th 9:30am	Mary & John Todd R.I.P.	Third Sunday of the Year (C)	
	& Pat & Terry Fox R.I.P.		
Tue 28st 10:00am			
		Wed 29 th 10:00am	
		Rosary 9:30am Coffee Morning 10:30am	
		Thu 30 th 10:00am	
Fri 31st 6:00pm Adoration & Mass at 7:00pm			
		Sat I st 6:00pm	Bob Watson R.I.P.
		Mel & Maureen Biwer's 80th Birthdays	
Sun 2 th 9:30am		Fourth Sunday of the Year (C)	

Mass Intentions

There are a number of Masses in both parishes without any scheduled Intentions. If you would like a Mass celebrated for your personal Intention please use an available envelope and hand it to Fr. Manoj.

Planned Giving & Gift Aid

Planned Giving Boxes for the 2025/26 financial year will be ready in March. If you do not already use these but wish to do so, please speak to Sheila Hedley. If you are a Taxpayer and wish to Gift Aid your donations we can claim an additional 25% at no cost to yourself on the tax you have already paid. If you are a higher rate taxpayer, you can claim back, for yourself, 20% of your donations made to registered charities when you fill in your <u>Self Assessment tax return</u> or by <u>contacting HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC)</u> and asking them to amend your tax code. We, like many others, continue to struggle financially so this is an easy and cost-effective way to increase your parish funds.



Partnership Confirmation 2025



This year our Partnership is planning the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for all eligible candidates from all our Parishes on 20th June at 7.00pm at St. Bede's Church Bedlington. Fr. Manoj would request you give him / Deacon Tony a completed Application Form available from them for each candidate who wishes to make their confirmation as early as possible. Alternatively, please scan the QR Code shown below to complete an On-Line Application. The preparation of the candidates will be done jointly at Bedlington for all the parishes with Session One commencing on Friday 2nd May at 6pm followed by further Sessions on 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th May, 6th and 13th June from 5pm – 7pm. The Mass of Confirmation celebrated by Bishop Stephen will take place on Friday 20th June at 7pm. Please see the leaflet on the Notice Board for further details of the programme.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

We are looking for volunteers to take Communion out to our various Care Homes and people's homes to ensure those who are unable to come to church can receive Communion on a regular basis. If you are willing to undertake this necessary ministry, please speak with Fr. Manoj who will arrange any inhouse training required.

Sharing the Rosary



You are very welcome to join us at Holy Name Parish Hall on Towers Avenue, Jesmond for a 4-week course exploring the Rosary, its history and its significance in Catholic prayer traditions. Each one-hour session will include opportunities to learn about the Mysteries of the Rosary, pray a shared Decade and even make your own set of Rosary beads. The course will run on Saturdays 25th January, 1st February and 22nd February 2025. Refreshments will be available from

2 pm, with sessions finishing at 3:30 pm. We warmly invite participants from all parishes, families, and young people to join us in this Jubilee Holy Year on this journey of faith and community. Whether you're new to the Rosary or have prayed it for years, all are welcome. Rosary beads will be available for anyone who needs them, but feel free to bring your own—especially if they hold a special story you'd like to share. To join the course, please either email welcome@holynamejesmond.co.uk or telephone (0191) 2810940.

Celebration of Marriage and Family Life

Bishop Stephen will preside at a Celebration of Marriage and Family Life Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 8th February 2025 at 12:00pm with the theme: "Faith, Hope and Love". The invitation will focus on couples celebrating significant anniversaries in 2025 but also to engaged couples preparing for marriage, and all married couples. We include those widowed and bereaved during this time and all who were unable, perhaps, to visit wives and husbands in hospital and homes prior to their deaths. Anyone celebrating a special anniversary can request a certificate by completing a form with their details: https://bit.ly/DHNMarriageMass or ring 0191 243 3316. Such certificates will be presented to couples by Bishop Stephen within the Mass.

2025 Marriage Preparation Days

A couple of the dates are Saturday 22nd February & 13th September at St Robert of Newminster, Morpeth, NE61 IQF (see Notice Board for full list). Other dates and venues will be notified to each Parish Priest and Deacon as arranged. To register on a course book via: www.marriagecare.org.uk, How we help, Marriage Preparation; or the phone booking service: 0800 389 3801. Fees payable to MarriageCare are given on the website and will cover the costs of the resources and materials that will be provided on the day for each couple; they include also an element of cost towards the counselling arm of MarriageCare, an important facility very well called upon in present society. At the end of the day of attendance, couples will be provided with details to go on-line to MarriageCare to print their certificates, one of which should be handed to the Parish Priest and the other retained.

LOUDfence

St Mary's Cathedral in Newcastle is hosting a LOUDfence Workshop on Saturday 1st February at 10am. LOUDfence is a catholic movement which shares practical ways to acknowledge harm caused by abuse in any setting, through arts and crafts. All objects made in the LOUDfence workshop will form part of the liturgy in the Diocesan LOUDfence on 1st May in Alnwick. Participants are asked to bring a packed lunch with them. Light refreshments will be provided. Please bring paper, light fabric, ribbon and small objects which remind you of comforting memories, particularly in childhood.

Cramlington Foodbank

Please place your offerings in the marked baskets which are adjacent to the Café area. Should you need a Vouchers for a Food Parcel from the Food Bank they are available from Fr. Manoj or Peter Killen.



Remember in your prayers

Please keep Sr. Agnes Miller in your prayers. Please also pray for Martin Ashby who has undergone surgery and for Chris Garrett and Glynis Mayes that their health may continue to improve.

St. Paul's Rota

Bidding Prayers

Welcomers

Readers

Coffee

Counting

Team 3

Cleaning

Didding Prayers

Malcolm G

Linda T & Peter K

Malcolm G & Gladys H

Joyce & Malcolm G

Bob & Julie M, Sheila H

Terry C & Volunteer

Mariela

Ist February 2025
Terry C
Stella S & Marylyn T

Terry C & Margaret F
Victoria L & Pamela McG
Team 4 Maureen B, Meg C & Kathy O'R

Team 3 Stella S & Barbara B

Peter

Bonus Ball Result for 18th January – No 46 J Waterworth 200 Club 1st No 2 T Carr, 2nd, No 9 B Wilson, 3rd, No 73 I Espie

Finances



Bulletin

St Paul's Weekly Collection for 18th January was £229.50 White Flower appeal: £62.46 Standing orders: October: £1280, November: £1280, December £1340

Racial Justice Appeal - 2nd collection will be taken this Saturday 25th January 2025.

Letter of thanks received from Stella Maris for the £42.10 donated by our parishioners on the Sea Sunday Appeal.