

# This week's Mass Times, Services and Intentions

	St. John the Baptist, Annitsford	St. Paul's, Cramlington
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>		5:30 – 5:50pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Mass <b>People of the parish</b>
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 – 9:20am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass <b>1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Celebration</b> <b>Children &amp; families of F H Communicants</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (A)</b>
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Mass <b>June, Sheila &amp; Alan Aston R.I.P.</b>	
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>		10:00am Mass <b>Coffee 10:30am</b>
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>		10:00am <b>School Mass Year I</b>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 – 7:00pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 7:00pm Mass <b>Barry Hall R.I.P.</b>	
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>		5:30 – 5:50pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Mass <b>David T White R.I.P.</b>
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 – 9:20am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass <b>David Carr R.I.P.</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (A)</b>

**Mass Intentions** - We offer the facility to have Mass celebrated for your own Intention. There are quite a few dates available at St. Paul's with St. John's booked till 30<sup>th</sup> June. Please use the envelopes at the back of the church to request a specific date; please give your telephone for confirmation of the date or to make an alternative arrangement if the date is already booked. **Thank you.**

**Requests:** If you would like to have a Baptism, Marriage, Funeral etc. held in your own church please visit your own parish Website, see the top of the Bulletin's Front Page, download the relevant Form from the "SACRAMENTS" Tab, complete it and return it to Fr. Manoj as per the form's listed instructions. This will ensure that the services are scheduled at the correct parish and alleviate any confusion as to where they need to be held.

**New to the Parish:** If you are new to either parish please complete a "New to the parish" form available at the back of both churches, or via both parish Websites. You will then be able to receive important updates of parish activities etc. and an email copy of the weekly Bulletin.

**Items for the Bulletin:** If you wish to have items go into our weekly Bulletin, please send them **by 7:00pm Wednesday evening** via email to the addresses shown below for each individual parish otherwise **they may not be included** in the following weekend Bulletin.

**Reconciliation Service**  
Facilities to attend Reconciliation will be available prior to every daily Mass. You can also request Reconciliation at your convenience with Fr. Manoj at a prior agreed time.

**Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA):**  
We are looking for parishioners to join a group to support people who are looking to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church with a view to Easter 2027.

Whether you are a cradle Catholic or were received later in life your experience will be invaluable as you journey with them. We are drawing up a program of meetings to join regularly to share our personal journeys as they discern theirs. Christ will always play a central role as we gather together in our Father's name. There are four people already who are taking an active part in liturgy at the start of their journey. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Manoj or Deacon Rob Wareing so our congregations can welcome our new parishioners. Thank you.

**Little Sisters of the Poor Fundraising Night:** 50s & 60s night at St Joseph's Home, Newcastle. Live entertainment, Licensed bar, Bingo. 7pm on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026. Tickets £7 from 0191 273 1279. All proceeds to St Joseph's Home



Details are shown below for anyone who would need to contact Fr. Manoj, for both our parish Websites and Facebook Pages which contain a lot of useful information for all our parishioners. Please do take some time to view these and let Fr. Manoj have your comments and any suggestions you have as to how you think they could be improved by the addition of any useful information.

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/stpaulscramlington](https://www.facebook.com/groups/stpaulscramlington)

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Website: <https://stjohnbaptist-rc.uk> YouTube: [www.youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBaptistChurchAnnitsford](http://www.youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBaptistChurchAnnitsford)

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## 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Eleventh Sunday of the Year (A)

### Sacred Silence Please

*As you enter, we invite you to keep a spirit of quiet prayer.  
The Blessed Sacrament is exposed, and your silence helps  
Everyone to pray more deeply. Thank you for your reverence.*



**Pope Leo XIV's message for June 2026: For the values of sports - Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.**

This weekend, we celebrate the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A). The question to ask ourselves is: **Am I aware that I have been sent as part in God's plan for the salvation of all mankind? What is my part in that plan?** If you've been baptised, then you've been anointed as priest, prophet, and king. As such, you are called by Our Lord Jesus Christ to be His witness in the world, to share the love, hope and joy of the Gospel. Many times, we're tempted to think that's a role that belongs only to certain "experts" when in fact evangelising is something each one of us needs to embrace. You might consider starting your day by asking the Lord to show you how to radiate His kindness, tenderness and mercy to others in each encounter you have throughout the day. *Lord Jesus, how can I bring Your peace into a broken world? How can I share Your love with my family, my co-workers, my neighbours?* When we begin to move this way in the world, people around us are attracted to it. Listen to them and get to know them. Evangelisation happens in the context of relationships and through friendship. Watch for the right opportunity and when someone asks your advice or wants to know why you are at peace, you'll be able to honestly tell them, "I entrust everything to the Lord Jesus. He's my Rock." And, consider inviting them to your Christ in Our parish communities!



### Five First Saturday Devotions:

**The third of the five Saturdays will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> July and will conclude with the final one being held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2026.**

The agenda is as follows:

10:00am Adoration / Reconciliation,  
11:00am Holy Mass, 11:45am Rosary,  
12:15pm Meditation (15mins).

We encourage as many parishioners as possible to attend along with anyone else who wishes to come along to do so. You can also visit our new Our Lady of Fatima Side Chapel



**First Holy Communion:** This weekend we celebrate, in St. John's some of our children who will receive Jesus for the first time in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. On this blessed day

our children will receive Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist for the very first time in their lives. This is a sacred and joyful moment not only for the children and their families, but also for our whole parish community. I kindly ask you to keep all our children and their families in your prayers during this day of celebration. Your prayers, presence, and encouragement are a beautiful witness of faith and love. I sincerely hope and pray that you will do your best to join in their joy by being present at these Masses as one parish family. Your participation will make these celebrations even more meaningful for our young communicants. May God bless our children abundantly as they take this important step in their journey of faith.

### Pope Leo's pilgrimage to Spain - From institutions to the peripheries:

Pope Leo XIV's Apostolic Journey to Spain was significant in every respect. So too was the anticipation surrounding this fourth international trip, which saw Leo XIV travel to Madrid, Barcelona, and the Canary Islands (Gran Canaria and Tenerife). Many speeches, many meetings and many themes: from disarmament to peace, from the role of the Church to the challenges facing Spain and Europe, from the defense of life to migration. "A land, that served as a laboratory of dialogue between different worlds in the heart of the Middle Ages. A land of great thinkers and Christian culture: the School of Salamanca, where in the sixteenth century scholastic theology and international law met, helping to shape reflection on the rights and dignity of every human person." It is also the land of "great saints" such as St. John of the Cross and St. Teresa of Ávila, whose thought resonates prophetically with the challenges of our own time. In Spain, the Pope encountered this rich historical and cultural heritage while meeting representatives of the Church and public institutions, as well as thousands of young people and families. The dialogue between Church, politics, and culture as tools for overcoming polarization, along with reflection on technological and human progress, also in light of the encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas*, were among the central themes of the Pope's speeches, greetings, and homilies.

## St. John's Parish News



**Sick List - remember in your prayers:** Anne Hall, Karen Mackie, Anna Shinwell, & Chris Garrett.



### PLANNED GIVING Gift Aid 26/27:

Anyone who does not support the parish in this way, but may wish to do so, please speak to Gerry Killen.

**Mass Intentions:** We now have Mass Intentions booked up to 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026.

**Friday Mass Times:** has returned to 7:00pm preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:00pm until 6:55pm

**Presbytery Roof** – Works are ongoing to replace the presbytery roof, scaffolding has been erected reducing the parking space available. **Please will all drivers park with consideration**, don't take up 2 spaces, leaving space for as many cars as possible.



### Appeal for Helpers:

We are currently two gardeners missing from our dedicated team. Anyone who is able and could spare a couple of hours (not necessarily every week), please give your contact details to Frank Swindle 07779 425610 (or Gerry Killen). A good way to keep fit while caring for the church grounds.



### Church Cleaning Rota:

We are looking for parishioners to volunteer to join the Cleaning Groups. If you can help, please give your name to Barbara Wareing. The church will be cleaned on the first Saturday of each month. Group B: August, October & December. Group A: July, September & November.



### The Retiring Collection to Support

The Lay Training Fund closes this weekend 14<sup>th</sup> June For those who support the parish by Planned Giving, there is an envelope in the Planned Giving envelope boxes. Thank you.



### Red Mission Boxes:

mission box money can be left at any time. Please empty your box into a bag with your name and address and leave in the basket on St Joseph's altar. Your receipt will be ready for the following Sunday with your magazine.

**Children's Liturgy:** These will not be held in St. John's on Sundays 14<sup>th</sup> June due to the First Communion Mass in St. John's.



### The Coffee Morning at St John's will take place this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June, the day of the First Holy Communions.

A celebration cake will be provided for the children but parishioners are invited to join them as a community event for cake and refreshments after Mass.

### Finances:



Thank you for your generous donations to the various collections taken during May to help run our parish and other organisations within the diocese and across our world.

## St. Paul's Parish News



**Remember in your prayers:** Please pray for parishioners who are going through a very difficult time at present, including Christine Elliott, Aidan, Chris Garrett, Glynis Mayes who are unwell, also Alec Evans and Meg Cocks who are in hospital.



### Bonus Ball:

6<sup>th</sup> June Number 50 G Wilkins

If you do not use our Planned Giving Scheme, or Gift Aid your donations, please speak with Sheila Hedley who will give you all the information should you wish to further assist your parish finances.



### Summer Raffle:

Tickets for our annual Summer Raffle are now on sale from last weekend. Please do take and buy tickets to help raise funds for the running of our parish. As usual we would be very grateful for your donations of Spirits and Wine bottles as raffle prizes. These can be handed in to the Piety Stall. Thank you in anticipation.

### Ministry Rota

13<sup>th</sup> June

**Bidding Prayers** Teresa K  
**Welcomers** Julie & Bob M  
**Readers** Eddie L & Julie M (Wed Peter K)  
**Coffee** Victoria L & Pamela McG  
**Counters** Team 5: Stephanie N & Margaret H  
**Cleaning** Team 1: Stephanie N & Barbara W  
**Bulletin** Peter

20<sup>th</sup> June

**Bidding Prayers** Malcolm G  
**Welcomers** Russell & Stephanie N  
**Readers** Peter K & Cynthia O (Wed Teresa K)  
**Coffee** Joyce & Malcolm G  
**Counters** Team 1: Joe S, Averill R & Betty W  
**Cleaning** Team 2: Teresa C  
**Bulletin** Peter K

Are you able to help in any of the above Ministries so your parish can run more effectively, especially as a Welcomer? If so, can you please speak to Peter Killen on 07948 403341. Thank you.

### Diocesan Property Trustee Vacancy:

**Role:** Property Trustee. **Description:** The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a Trustee with property skills and experience. Chaired by the Bishop, The Board of Trustees provides leadership and determines the overall strategic direction of the organisation. Individuals with significant property, estates management and acquisitions experience and knowledge of charity law relating to land are encouraged to visit the Diocesan Website to download the role descriptor and application form.

**Closing Date:** 26 June 2026. **How to apply:** Please visit <https://diocesehn.org.uk/vacancy/diocesan-trustee/>

## Joint Parish News



If you are a trained Doctor or Nurse, we would be very grateful if you would be willing to offer your services as a volunteer when attending Mass to assist if a medical situation should occur in church. If you feel able to assist us in volunteering for this very important role, please give your name and contact details to Fr. Manoj. ASAP. Thank you!



### SVP Camp – Holy Island:

Calling all young adults 18+. Do you have a week to spare to spend on Lindisfarne this Summer helping out at the Holy Island SVP Camp? Volunteers are needed to work alongside the children who stay in the SVP purpose-built centre on the island. Weeks, 3, 5 and 6 of the Summer have 60 children ready to have a great time rock pooling, walking, arts and crafting and enjoying outdoor activities but we need more helpers to ensure they have the best time! Week 3 Sat 1<sup>st</sup> August - 8<sup>th</sup> August; Week 5 Sat 15<sup>th</sup> August - 22<sup>nd</sup> August; Week 6 Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> August. If you are interested email Barbara Taws on her email address [barbarat@svp.org.uk](mailto:barbarat@svp.org.uk) or have a look at the website <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/ozanam-camp>. All helpers receive training and will need to be DBS checked.

### Pilgrimage to Fatima: 8–15 September 2027

The World Apostolate of Fatima is organising a national pilgrimage to Fatima and is currently inviting expressions of interest. Travel for pilgrims from our diocese is planned direct from Newcastle Airport to Lisbon with easyJet, with accommodation at the Domus Pacis, just a short walk from the Sanctuary of Sanctuary of Fátima.

The organisers hope to keep costs as low as possible. Further details regarding the itinerary and final costs will be available once numbers are confirmed. To register your interest, please contact Fr Manoj by 30 June 2026.



### Pope Leo XIV's First Encyclical:

was published on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 and is entitled *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"). The document focuses on safeguarding human dignity in

the age of artificial intelligence and reflects the Church's concern for the ethical use of modern technology. The encyclical draws inspiration from *Rerum Novarum*, the landmark social teaching document issued by Pope Leo XIII in 1891 during the Industrial Revolution. In a similar spirit, Pope Leo XIV addresses the challenges posed today by rapid technological developments, especially artificial intelligence, and their impact on human dignity, work, justice, and peace. Through this important teaching document, the Holy Father invites the faithful and the wider world to ensure that technological progress always serves humanity and upholds the values of compassion, truth, and the common good. **The full document can be viewed on both of our parish websites.**

**Advance Notice:** As Fr. Manoj will be away for a few days later this month there will be **NO MASSES** celebrated on either **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>** or **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June.**

**The Day for Life** under the theme "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb" will be marked on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June this year. The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org). The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death. You can also donate online via the Day for Life website."

### Stop assisted suicide being brought back

Assisted suicide campaigners are trying to bring back the Leadbeater Bill. Not Dead Yet UK has launched a simple tool to help you email your MP about the risks this Bill poses to people with disabilities. Please take 30 seconds to email your MP today using the tool here: <http://action.notdeadyetuk.org/>

**Stella Maris** (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is seeking one volunteer from each parish please to help with Sea Sunday (which falls on 11/12 July this year) in our parishes. This is the day when the Church comes together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and takes a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of each Mass that weekend. If you can kindly do this, please contact

[roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org](mailto:roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org)

Related to that, all parishioners are warmly invited to an online webinar being run by Stella Maris on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June from 7:30pm to 9pm. You will hear about the work that Stella Maris has been doing with seafarers and fishers over the past year or so, including the use of the funds kindly donated on Sea Sunday last year. Please sign up at: [www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou) to attend this webinar,



### Refugee Week: 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June

Established in the UK in 1998, Refugee Week takes place every year around World Refugee Day (20th June) and has since grown into a global movement with over 2

million participants, across over 20 countries.

This year's theme is Courage. The word courage comes from the Latin cor, meaning "heart." *For refugees around the world, courage is often a daily necessity. It is the courage to face unknown journeys, learn new languages, navigate unfamiliar systems, or simply to wake up each morning and step into an uncertain world.* At a time when some seek to divide and blame, Refugee Week 2026 calls us to come together and share the courage to welcome, to stand for what we believe in, and to celebrate culture and community – to be joyful, imagine new possibilities, dream, heal, and connect. Courage isn't always loud or bold. It can be found in simple acts: opening your door to a neighbour, trying new food, reading a book, or watching a film that changes your view of the world. It can be speaking up, asking for help, sharing your story – or simply having the courage to be yourself.

**Hexham & Newcastle Diocesan Website:** the Website contains a huge amount of useful information along with literature to assist you in your prayer life. Well worth a look at <https://diocesehn.org.uk>