

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services
Pentecost Sunday Year B – 19th May 2024

	<u>English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's</u>	<u>St Joseph's</u>	<u>St Bede's</u>	<u>Feast Days this week</u>
Sat 18th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Dennis Jenkins RIP (CJ)	10:00am St Joseph's School First Holy Communion	—	—
Sun 19th	—	10:30am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	9:00am In Thanksgiving for 60 years (AF)	Pentecost Sunday
Mon 20th	—	—	—	Mary, Mother of the Church
Tue 21st	—	1:30pm Requiem Mass Bridget Kelly RIP	9:30am For Healing (SAG) 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Godric of Finchale <i>Religious</i> St Christopher Magallanes and Companions <i>Martyrs</i>
Wed 22nd	9:30am Whole School Mass Joseph William Cody RIP (AH)	—	—	St Rita of Cascia <i>Religious</i>
Thur 23rd	—	9:30am Averil Condren RIP (HH) 2:00pm – 4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	—	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest
Fri 24th	5:00pm – 6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Successful Operation for Angela Stacey	—	—	—
Sat 25th	9:30am St Gregory's School First Holy Communion 3:30pm May Celebration of Our Lady 6:00pm Vigil Mass Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	—	—	St Bede the Venerable <i>Priest, Doctor</i>
Sun 26th	9:00am Mass for the Polish Community	10:30am Suzanne Dixon RIP (OH)	9:00am Intention of Alex Bull (TA)	Holy Trinity

Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Thursday 23rd May St Joseph's Legion Room after Mass	Friday 24th May EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm	Saturday 25th May EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm
Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469		

Bulletin Items: If you would like a notice included in the next bulletin, please email parishnewsletterstockton@gmail.com by **Tuesday evening** at the latest. Alternatively, post through the letterbox at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Presbytery, Redhill Road, Roseworth, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 9BY. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

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St. Joseph's



English Martyrs and
Ss. Peter and Paul's



St. Bede's

PARISH NEWSLETTER
Sunday 19th May 2024
Pentecost Sunday - Year B

Clergy	Parish Priest: Fr Mark Millward Assistant Priest: Fr Oliver Keyes Deacon: Paul Hargreaves
Parish Office	Hours: Tuesday to Friday 10.00am till 2:00pm Contact: Gill Hall Tel. 01642 806469 Email: parishfamilystockton@outlook.com
Internet	Parish YouTube: Stockton Parish Family Facebook page: @ParishFamilyStocktonRC Parish website: www.parishfamilystockton.org.uk Diocesan website: diocesehn.org.uk
Parish Contacts	St Vincent De Paul Society: For anything SVP related please speak to one of our members or contact Alan on 07939 912354 or Mary on 07714 327665 or email PresidentC211509@svp.org.uk St. Joseph's Thornton Hall: For any requests to book / hire the Hall please contact Philip and Cath Jackson direct on 01642 284770 Thank you Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are David Mackintosh & Joan Rogers or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk

Reflection Pentecost Year B

None of the gospels gives an account of the Day of Pentecost, but St John tells us of another incident where the Risen Christ gave the Spirit to his disciples. There are two emphases in the account.

The first is peace. Christ brings peace to his disciples with the double greeting of peace, and peace is a Christian watchword. Peace was the song of the angels at Jesus' birth; each of Paul's letters opens with a greeting of peace; the letter to the Ephesians proclaims that Christ is our peace - the reversal of all worry, strife, envy, jealousy, self-seeking ambition. 'Go in peace' is Jesus' dismissal of those he cures, and also the dismissal at the end of Mass. Peace was Jesus' bequest to his disciples after the Last Supper.

The second watchword is forgiveness, for God was always known as a God of mercy and forgiveness; Jesus came to show this by his constant meeting with and welcoming of sinners. Moreover, the Lord's Prayer shows that if we do not ourselves forgive, we block God's forgiveness of ourselves too.

How can you bring peace more effectively to those you meet?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB, from Wednesday Word

Parish News

Sick and in Need of Prayer: Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family who are ill.



Recent Bereavements: Please pray Bridget Kelly RIP and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH FINANCES

Parish Bank Account Details: Please make cheques payable to **DHN Stockton Our Lady of Walsingham**.

If you would like to make a direct Bank transfer or set up a standing order, please contact the parish office for the new account details. Thank you.

Offertory Envelopes: If you have not already collected your new **BOX OF OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR USE FROM 7th APRIL**, please do so as soon as possible. Please let the Parish office know if you do not have any envelopes and would like some, if your address has changed, or if you no longer require a box. Many thanks.

Mass Intentions: if you would like a Mass to be said on a specific date, particularly at St Joseph's please give as much notice as possible to avoid disappointment.

New Lectionary: Each church will need four volumes of each lectionary and a Gospel Book. If anyone would like to buy a volume in memory of someone or in thanksgiving for something. Please have a word with Fr Mark or Gill. each volume is £174; the full set is £695 and the Gospel Book is £275.

Fr Mark's Big Lent Walk: The final figure is £3135. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Thousands of others braved the British weather to take on this year's Big Lent Walk raising over £400,000.

Lay Training Fund: there will be a second collection for the Lay Training Fund on 18th / 19th May

Holy Island SVP Vinnies Camp: There are places still available for boys and girls in school years 5-7 (inclusive) at Holy Island Children's camp. A week's traditional holiday with meals and transport costs just £150! If you would like your child to have a week's holiday on Holy Island this Summer please visit our site <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island> If you know of any child who would benefit from this opportunity but may need assistance in paying, please email holyislandapplications@svp.org.uk

Roseworth Naturally Creative Arts and Craft Group: Friday mornings 10am-12:30pm at Kiora Hall, Roseworth. Please see the copy of the 2024 Programme on the noticeboard at the back of church.

First Holy Communion Dresses: We have a small number of First Holy Communion dresses available for hire in return for a small donation. Please contact the parish office. (more dresses are needed please, if you are able to donate) Thank you.

The Bread and Butter Thing: Every Thursday at 1pm at Redhill Family Hub, Roseworth. Get your weekly groceries at a fraction of the cost! See the fliers in church or visit www.stockton.gov.uk/TBBT for more information.

Roseworth Big Local Advice Service – in partnership with Citizens Advice, Roseworth Big Local has set up a new advice service to give **free specialist and independent advice** on benefits, grants, debts, finances, housing, energy costs, employment problems and much more. This can be arranged locally rather than travelling into town – call 01642 626135 to arrange an appointment. See leaflets in church for more information.

Stockton Hope Community Larder Hardwick: The larder is open every Wednesday from 11am to 1pm and is available for everyone. We also have a 'warm space' serving tea/coffee for free or just for a chat. Everyone at the Stockton Hope Community Larder thanks you all for your wonderful generosity.

Holy Hikers: next walk will be from Catterick Bridge to Richmond on **Sunday 18th May**. Contact David Mackintosh for details on 07913 021814.

Bella Canta Ladies Choir presents their 5th Annual Alzheimer's Society Charity Concert on **Saturday 25 May at 7.30pm** at Greens Lane Methodist Church Hartburn TS18 5HP. Free entry with retiring collection for the charity. Part of Dementia Action Week.

Proud Catholics - Annual General Meeting: Do you identify as LGBTQ+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBTQ+ Catholics in the North East? We meet **on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at St Andrew's RC Church, Worswick St.** Our next meeting will be our **AGM, on Tuesday 21st May, at 7.30pm**. We will be looking at the past year and sharing our thoughts and reflections on the future. Elections to the Committee will also take place. All are welcome. Refreshments will follow. Zoom link available, get in touch if interested. For more information, phone Isabel on **07858 934457**, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website **Proud Catholics**

Would you like someone to talk to? A trained listener is available who can offer a confidential listening service to anyone who needs a listening ear. This could include issues such as loss, anxiety, loneliness or any other matters of concern. An initial phone call can be made with the option of meeting one to one or continuing on the telephone. Please contact the parish office on 01642 806469 or email parishfamilystockton@outlook.com leaving your name and contact details and a listener will get in touch. 'Being listened to and heard is one of the greatest desires of the human heart'.

Job Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies:

Parish Secretary, Our Lady & St Philip Neri, Gateshead and St Anne, Winlaton – 26 hours per week. Closing date: 21 May

HR Administrator, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – 15 hours per week. Closing date: 21 May

Cleaner, St John XXIII, Washington and St Joseph, Birtley – 12 hours per week. Closing date: 22 May

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

Prayer and Liturgy News

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions May: For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

May Celebration of Our Lady at EMSSPP: Saturday 25th May starting at **3:30pm** with Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, followed by the Procession of Our Lady, followed by Mass at 6pm. Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome.

Corpus Christi: Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Ushaw On **Sunday 2nd June**, Ushaw will be hosting a Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Bishop Stephen Wright, and starting at 3pm in St. Cuthbert's Chapel. Weather permitting; the procession will go through Ushaw's gardens, returning to the Chapel for Benediction. Teas and coffees will be available after the service. You do not need a ticket for this event, but please sign up at <https://ushaw.org/whats-on-at-ushaw/> to help Ushaw to estimate numbers.

Workshop on Synodality: On **Saturday 8th June**, Ushaw will be holding a day workshop on what the Synod on Synodality means for us. There will be sessions on the current stage of the worldwide Synod, including an opportunity to look at some of the outputs of last October's General Assembly in Rome. The workshop will also look at some practical examples of synodality in our local parishes and church groups. The workshop costs £10. The day starts with welcome and refreshments at 10.30am, and will finish by 4pm. Bring a packed lunch, or you will be able to buy lunch in Ushaw's café. You can book for the workshop on Ushaw's website at <https://ushaw.org/whats-on-at-ushaw/> For those who are new to synodality and would like to find out more about what the Synod is, and why it is important for our local church, there will be an optional introductory session starting at 9.30am.

Modelling Spiritual Conversations Workshop Please join us for our Modelling Spiritual Conversations Workshop.

To help people model Spiritual Conversations, the Diocese is offering the following workshops.

Location: English Martyrs and Ss Peter and Paul, Redhill Road, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 9BY.

Time: 6.30pm – 7.45pm. Please arrive early for refreshments.

Please register your attendance by clicking on the link opposite and completing the form.

This workshop is being offered to support communities in their exploration and discernment of the Diocesan Vision. Find out more here. Date of event: 23rd May 2024: Cost: free

Readings – Pentecost Year B

First reading

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 103(104):1,24,29-31,34

R: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,

How many are your works, O Lord!

The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die,

returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, they are created;

and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

May the Lord rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

I find my joy in the Lord.

Second reading

Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

Gospel

John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: *All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.*'

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Thought for the Day

Experience is what you get when you were expecting something else.