

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services
14th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B – 7th July 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 6th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Susan Dobson RIP (DT)	9:30am Healing Mass Brian Hedley RIP (PDR)	—	—
Sun 7th	—	10:30am Hugh Reay RIP (CB) 4:00pm Holy Hour	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	14th Sunday Ordinary Time
Mon 8th	—	—	—	—
Tue 9th	—	—	9:30am Freda Prior RIP 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions <i>Martyrs</i>
Wed 10th	9:30am Whole School Leavers Mass Intention of Barbara (MS)	—	—	—
Thur 11th	—	9:30am Phyllis Harbron RIP (SVP) 2:00pm – 4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10:30am Requiem Mass Liz Hay RIP	St Benedict Abbot Patron of Europe
Fri 12th	5:00pm – 6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Priest's Intention	1:30pm Requiem Mass Betty Hayes RIP	10:30am Funeral Service Marie Wassell RIP	—
Sat 13th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Peter Saint RIP (MS&AF)	9:30am Jan Jordan RIP (JJ)	—	—
Sun 14th	9:00am Mass for the Polish Community	10:30am Jack & Betty Robson RIP (KLG)	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	15th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Thursday 11th July St Joseph's Legion Room after Mass	Friday 12th July EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm	Saturday 13th July 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.

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM, STOCKTON



St. Joseph's



English Martyrs and Ss. Peter and Paul's



St. Bede's

PARISH NEWSLETTER
Sunday 7th July 2024
14th Sunday Ordinary Time -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 14th Sunday Ordinary Time

The very last sentence of the reading speaks of the people's lack of faith. What was this lack of faith? They recognized in Jesus an extraordinary wisdom and the power to perform miracles, but this seems not to have been enough. What more was needed? Faith is not the acceptance of a set of propositions ('I believe that the earth circles the sun', etc.). It is putting all my trust in God as my only hope. Abraham, the model of faith, went out into the desert, leaving everything on which he relied, everything that made him what he was. He even trusted God to get him out of the unbearable fix when God told him to sacrifice his only son.

The townsfolk of Nazareth presumably thought they knew Jesus through and through. They were prepared to acknowledge his wisdom and his miracles. But they were not prepared to go further and see that God was at work in him, that he was the manifestation of God among them.

It is all very well to admire Jesus, to think him a fine teacher and a heroic, honourable man, who gave everything for his high ideals; but unless we see God in him, the divine transcendence of all that is human, he cannot work the miracle of taking us to himself. What does it mean to you to describe yourself or someone else as "a person of faith"?

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 for Liz Hay, Marie Wassell, Betty Hayes 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: Please contact the Parish office 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.

Advance Notice: there will be a second collection for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) on the weekend of **13th / 14th July**

New Lectionary: Each church needs four volumes of the Lectionary and a Gospel Book. Thanks to some generous donations, there is only one Lectionary at St. Bede's still available. If anyone would like to buy it in memory of someone or in thanksgiving for something. Please have a word with Fr Mark or Gill. The volume is £174.

Red Box Holders and Supporters: are invited to a Hexham & Newcastle Diocesan Mission Mass with Rev Anthony Chantry MHM, National Director of Missio England & Wales at **11:30am on Saturday 27th July** 204 in St Anne's Church, Wellbeck Avenue, Darlington DL1 2DR. There will be refreshments afterwards. Please **RSVP to the parish office before 22nd July**.

First Holy Communion Dresses: Many thanks to those who have donated FHC dresses for our 'Dress Bank'. **More dresses are needed for next year please, if you are able to donate.** Please contact the parish office or speak to Fr Mark. 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. Once a month we have an advisor from Citizens Advice Service - this is a free service. Everyone at the Stockton Hope Community Larder thanks you all for your wonderful generosity.

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'.

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.**

Sincere thanks from Little Sisters of the Poor: for collecting used stamps and foreign currency for St Joseph's Home in Newcastle (David and Theresa O'Neill have raised over £21,000 so far). The Sisters and residents remember all who donate in their prayers and Masses. If you have any more, please continue to put them in the separate collection envelope at the back of church (**not into the offertory baskets please**) or hand in to the parish office. Thank you.

Bishop's House Address

From Monday 17th June the new address for Bishop Stephen, Bishop's PA and the Diocesan Chancellor will be:

Bishop's House, St Aidan's, Coach Lane, Benton, Newcastle, NE12 8AD There is no change to the telephone number and email addresses.

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Parish Secretary 25 hrs pw, St Mary's, Hexham - We're seeking a well-organised person with excellent planning and IT skills and strong experience in general office management and administrative procedures to support the parish and Clergy with general administration. Duties are wide-ranging and include bookkeeping, dealing with enquiries, managing bookings and minute taking. You must be able to work on your own initiative and maintain complete confidentiality. Further details are available on the Diocese website and Indeed. Closing date 08 July 2024.

Parish Secretary 8 hrs pw, St Anne's, Darlington - We're seeking a well-organised person with excellent planning and IT skills and strong experience in general office management and administrative procedures to support the parish and Clergy with general administration. Duties are wide-ranging and include bookkeeping, dealing with enquiries, managing bookings and minute taking. You must be able to work on your own initiative and maintain complete confidentiality. Further details are available on the Diocese website and Indeed. Closing date 04 July 2024.

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details, or see our adverts on Indeed, or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

Prayer and Liturgy News

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions July: For the pastoral care of the sick

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

Youth 2000: is holding an afternoon of prayer & praise, reflection and social on **Sunday 7th July** from 2.00pm to 4pm at St Cuthbert's RC Church Old Elvet. Open to Young people aged 16-35 (under 16s will need to request a Parent Consent form from frnickjennings@uwclub.net) Further enquiries email irishanthony12@gmail.com Don't forget to book for the Youth2000 Summer festival in Ampleforth Abbey August 23-26 <https://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2024>

Holy Hour There will be at 4:00pm in **St Joseph's Sunday on 7th July**. All are welcome.

Young Catholic Adult Network UK ('YouCAN')

YouCAN is a group for practising young Catholic adults between the ages of 18 - 35. YouCAN's mission is simple - to connect all young Catholic adults with one another. No one can practise their Faith on their own!

YouCAN members stay connected via WhatsApp groups and in-person events. As well as the national YouCAN group, there is also an active North East group with members from across the region, including Teesside. The North East group meets regularly for days out, social time and retreats.

Joining YouCAN is a great opportunity to connect with other practising young Catholic adults, make new friends and strengthen your faith. For more details, visit www.youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk. To join, please email rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk

Proud Catholics - Taizé prayer

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 on Tuesday 16th July, at 7.30pm. We will meet at St Andrew's RC Church to experience a prayer in the style of the Taizé community, followed by bring-and-share refreshments in the Chaplaincy room. Zoom link available, please get in touch if interested. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website <https://www.proud Catholics.co.uk/> and our Facebook and Instagram pages @proud Catholicsuk

New Lectionary - Readers Day: The Diocesan Liturgical Formation team are running a day for readers of all levels of experience to explore the new translation of the Lectionary on Saturday 9 November at St Augustine, Darlington, DL3 7RG. This day will provide an opportunity to look at the background of the new Lectionary and to be ready to proclaim the Scriptures. For more information and to book, please visit: bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents. Details of other Liturgy days are also available on the Diocesan website.

Let Life Flourish Spiritual Bouquet: SPUC has launched a prayer initiative in collaboration with Knights of St Columba. The spiritual bouquet is a rallying call to SPUC supporters, the wider pro-life community and all people of good will to pray with renewed faith and trust for the protection of life from conception until natural death.

Please pray for the following intentions each month:

July: For the Church – that its witness to the sanctity of life will touch the hearts of all people

August: For women and families expecting a child at this time

September: For political leaders – that they will act to uphold the sanctity of life through just laws

October: For an end to abortion in the UK

November: For the work of SPUC and KSC in defending the sanctity of life.

Readings 14th Sunday Ordinary Time

First reading Ezekiel 2:2-5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 122(123)

R: Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens;
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords.

Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he show us his mercy.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

We are filled with contempt.

Indeed all too full is our soul

with the scorn of the rich,

with the proud man's disdain.

Second reading 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

Gospel Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Thought for the Day

The Blessed Sacrament is that Presence which makes a Catholic church different from every other place in the world; which makes it, as no other place can be, holy. **St John Henry Newman**