



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

**St. Patrick's R.C. Church**

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In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus goes home with his disciples. He has been teaching all over Galilee and outside it but he has not yet taught in his hometown, Nazareth. It is the Sabbath and he teaches in the synagogue. The people are astonished at his teaching just as they were in Capernaum but they refused to accept him because they know him and his family and how he grew up among them and how he worked as a carpenter. They question the origin of his wisdom and his wonderful deeds, they cannot see beyond the person they know to discern the presence of God, they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully. Sometimes we find it hard to see the grace of God near to us. In the ordinariness of life and of love, of misunderstanding and hurt, of care and compassion, the grace of God and the love of God are active and alive. What makes all the difference in the world is a deeper appreciation for everyone and everything that is around us.

**Next year Canon Cooper is planning a Pilgrimage to Rome for the Holy Year.** The dates are 19<sup>th</sup> May – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025, flying from Newcastle. Anybody interested please **see Canon Cooper.**

**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<sup>th</sup> 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](http://bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents). Details of other Liturgy days are also available on the Diocesan website.

**All are welcome to join CAFOD, in partnership with the Archbishop Romero Trust, on their pilgrimage to Holy Island** on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024, from 10.00am. Please join us for this special pilgrimage in this Year of Prayer. The meeting points are as follows:

11.30am: Walkers meet at 1st refuge on the causeway to cross the sands.

Non-walkers are welcome to join service in St Aidan's Catholic Church at 12.00 noon.

3.00pm: Mass in St Mary's Church. Celebrant: Rt Rev'd Stephen Wright, Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle and Chair of CAFOD.

This event is free, tide times for safe crossing: 10.55am – 7.10pm. For more information please tel. Carol Cross: 07779 804253 or Rachel Blaylock: 07779 804243.

**Rosary Rally . . .** Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August from 11.00am to 3.00pm at Minsteracres. A wonderful opportunity to gather in honour of Mary, Mother of God, in this very prayerful and sociable day, which also provides the opportunity to take in the peace and ambiance of Minsteracres. The day will commence with the celebration of the Mass at 12 noon, followed by the Rosary Rally and Benediction from 2.00pm. Please bring a packed lunch. You can book for the Rally by visiting [minsteracres.org](http://minsteracres.org). There is no charge for this day but you can give a donation.

<b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>			
7	Sunday	9.00am	David Fenwick
8	Monday	9.15am 5.30pm	Joan Faley Medjugorje Rosary for World Peace
9	Tuesday		
10	Wednesday		
11	Thursday <b>St Benedict</b>	6.00pm	Rosary & Healing Exposition
12	Friday	9.15am	Win Broadbent
13	Saturday		No Mass
<b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>			
14	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
<b>Recently Deceased:</b>		Ron Pinder ~ May he rest in peace. Amen.	
<b>Anniversaries:</b>		Evelyn Hobson, Mary Shaw, William Noble	
		Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley, Samuel Kiberu, Brian Wetherell, Joyce Thomas	
<b>Reader for Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July ~ Maurice Ward</b>			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



### **Pope's Prayer Intention for July**

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

### **SPUC Let Life Flourish: Spiritual Bouquet**

Please pray for the following intention this month: For the Church – that its witness to the sanctity of life will touch the hearts of all people.

**Parish Shop** ~ Cards and gifts for all occasions. All welcome.

**Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, there will be a second collection for Stella Maris.** It is a day for people to come together to pray for seafarers and thank them for the vital role they play in all of our lives.

**The Refugee and Asylum Seekers Project** are urgently requiring clothing for young men. Any donations please contact Karen Dick on 07759984586. Sincere thanks.

**There will be a Holy Hour** at 4:00pm in St Joseph's this Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July. All are welcome.

**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 27<sup>th</sup> July in St Anne's Church, Wellbeck Avenue, Darlington DL1 2DR. There will be refreshments afterwards. Please RSVP to the parish office before 22nd July. Tel. No. 01325 464547.

**The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement UK.** Please join us in beautiful Ampleforth Abbey for our annual conference on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Full weekend £200-£220, with all meals and accommodation included. Day ticket £60 with no meals included, please bring a packed lunch. Please see notice board for programme, registration details and telephone numbers to book a room.