



Sunday 14th July, 2024

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Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. When it comes to being disciples, Jesus asks us to develop a habit of trust. This is not a blind faith but a willingness to really come to know him and be changed from within. Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples, but like the first disciples we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship.

Lord, I pray that strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit I may radiate the light of your love to those I encounter in my daily life. Help me to have a deeper understanding of the needs of others and give me the courage to witness to the joy of my faith. Amen.

Sea Sunday . . . When seafarers are in foreign ports, they often rely on the strangers who visit them to support them, to take them to the shops, to give them internet access, to take them to a Church for Mass or confession. Often, they don't even speak the local language, making things even harder. Sea Sunday is the day our parishes pray for seafarers and fishers and support Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) - the Catholic charity that provides that welcome for seafarers in ports in this country and around the world. The chaplains and volunteers of Stella Maris listen to seafarers' stories, help to provide what they need, and answer Jesus' call to give hospitality to the stranger.

There will be a second collection this weekend for Stella Marris.


Lord God watch over seafarers, keep them from danger, befriend them in loneliness and bring them safely home to those they love. We pray for Stella Maris who carries out their work on our behalf, may they continue to reveal, especially through their hospitality, the love of Christ. Amen.



Next year Canon Cooper is planning a Pilgrimage to Rome for the Holy Year. The dates are 19th May to 23rd 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 9th 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.

Rosary Rally . . . Saturday 10th 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. There is no charge for this day but you can give a donation.

15th Sunday of the Year			
14	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
15	Monday St Bonaventure	9.15am 5.30pm	Anniversary Thanksgiving Medjugorje Rosary for World Peace
16	Tuesday		
17	Wednesday		
18	Thursday	6.00pm	SVP Rosary
19	Friday	9.15am	Staff & Pupils of St Patrick's School
20	Saturday	9.15am	Mary Douglas
16th Sunday of the Year			
21	Sunday	9.00am	Special Intention
Recently Deceased:		John Early ~ May he rest in peace. Amen.	
Anniversaries:		Margaret Horan, Mary Douglas, Dave Hart, Teresia Kiberu	
		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	
Reader for Sunday 21st July ~ John Bowron			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Steer the ship of my life, good Lord, to your quiet harbour, where I can be safe from the storms of sin and conflict. Show me the course I should take. Give me the strength and the courage to choose the right course, even when the sea is rough and the waves are high, knowing that through enduring hardship and danger, in your name, I shall find comfort and peace. Amen

**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.

The 52nd Annual Blessed John Ingram Walk . . . You are cordially invited to the 52nd Annual Blessed John Ingram walk, which takes place on Sunday 28th July, led by Fr Luke Wilkinson. Meeting and starting from St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Newgate Street, Newcastle upon Tyne and ending at St. Edmund's Chapel, High Street, Gateshead for an ecumenical service, followed by refreshments. Non-walkers can meet there at 3.30pm.

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

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 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 Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a Director of Education. This role is crucial to the development and protection of Catholic Education within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301. Closing date for applications: 22nd July.