Times of Mass, Intentions and Services

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	English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's	St Joseph's	St Bede's	Feast Days this week	
Sat 20th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Anne & Bill Foley RIP	9:30am Thanksgiving (S&A)			
Sun 21st		10:30am Faustina Morgan RIP (KJM)	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	16 th Sunday Ordinary Time	
Mon 22nd				St Mary Magdalene	
Tue 23rd			9:30am Liz Hay RIP (KO) 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Bridget of Sweden <i>Religious</i> Patron of Europe	
Wed 24th	<u>9:30am</u> Karen E Harley RIP (VP)	1:30pm Funeral Service Terrence Hughes RIP		The Martyrs of the Diocese	
Thur 25th		9:30am Thank you for Prayers Answered (PCM) 2:00pm - 4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		St James Apostle	
Fri 26th	5:00pm - 6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm 100 Years Celebration (M&P)			Ss Joachim & Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Sat 27th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Pat Chapman RIP (AC)	<u>9:30am</u> Sid Gillson RIP			
Sun 28th	9:00am Mass for the Polish Community	10:30am Thanksgiving (60) DPR	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	16 th Sunday Ordinary Time	
Sacrament of Reconciliation Thursday 25 th July St Joseph's Legion Room after Mass Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469 Saturday 27 th July EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm Saturday 27 th July EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm					

<u>Bulletin Items</u>: 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. <u>Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query</u>.

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM, STOCKTON







St. Joseph's

English Martyrs and Ss. Peter and Paul's

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st July 2024 16th 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 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

Today we begin a series of six Sunday gospels on the Eucharist. As this year's gospel (Mark) is too short to provide readings for the whole year, the Church takes five Sunday readings from the Bread of Life Discourse in John's Gospel, introducing them today with the account of the Gathering in Mark's Gospel.

Following on, the story of the Feeding, which will begin next week, can be read on several levels. The event is a foretaste of the Eucharist, with the disciples gathered round Jesus as the new Israel (12 baskets for the 12 tribes) for a fully satisfying meal, the messianic banquet.

Furthermore, Jesus is the good shepherd who feeds his flock, according to Psalm 23, on the green pastures beside the restful waters of the Lake of Galilee. Jesus is also the prophet like Moses who provides manna for his people in the desert or, more precisely, he is like Elisha in 2 Kings 4 (next Sunday's first reading).

The story in Mark's account of the Feeding is recounted in terms which deliberately recall these and other biblical scenes, to enrich and deepen our understanding of what is happening.

How does this reading help you understand how the Lord gathers and prepares us to be fed through his gift of the Eucharist?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB, from Wednesday Word



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 Terry Hughes RIP and for 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.

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.

Thank you: Second collections and donations received during the quarter ended 30th June 2024 have been passed on to the following: Northern Brethren Fund £184.16; Little Sisters of the Poor £316.51; The Lay Training Fund £352.25; Fr Vincent £417.80; Holy Family India Project £120; Mary's Meals £50; RASPS £45; CAFOD £23; and Holy Places £23.35. Sincere thanks to all who donated.

<u>First Holy Communion Dresses:</u> 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.

<u>Holy Hikers:</u> next walk will be from Chester-le-Street to Durham, via Finchale on **Sunday 21**st **July**. Contact David Mackintosh for details on 07913 021814.

SVP South Sudan Appeal

The recent collection in our three churches raised £650 for the SVP South Sudan Appeal which we have matched with a further £650 from our SVP Conference funds. Thank you so much for your continued generosity in helping alleviate poverty in South Sudan.

<u>Newman Tyneside Circle</u> invites you to a **guided tour of St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle** (with particular attention to the stained glass windows, including the new Kevin Nichols window). The tour will take place on **Tuesday 6 August, at 2pm** and will be followed by discussion, refreshments and an extraordinary general meeting of the circle.

<u>The Bread and Butter Thing:</u> 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 to012 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'.

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> 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 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.

<u>Vacancy:</u> 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: 22 July.

<u>Bishop's House Address</u>: from Monday 17th June the new address for Bishop Stephen, Bishop's PA and the Diocesan Chancellor will be: <u>Bishop's House</u>, St Aidan's, Coach Lane, Benton, Newcastle, NE12 8AD There is no change to the telephone number and email addresses.

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.

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.

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 Catholic

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. Newcastle. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website https://www.proudcatholics.co.uk/ and our Facebook and Instagram pages @proudcatholicsuk

SPUC PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR The next Pro-Life Holy Hour will take place at St Patrick's, on Thursday, 25 July, 6pm. Branch members look forward to seeing you there.

<u>Let Life Flourish Spiritual Bouquet:</u> 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

Jeremiah 23:1-6

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 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

First reading

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! 'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

R: The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

Second reading Ephesians 2:13-18

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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Thought for the Day

The greatest glory in living, is not in never falling but in rising every time we fall.

Nelson Mandela