

This week's Mass Times, Services and Intentions

	St. John the Baptist, Annitsford	St. Paul's, Cramlington
Sat 5 th		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass In remembrance of Josie, Norma & Bill
Sun 6 th	9:00-9:25 Reconciliation and Exposition 9:30am Mass Barry Hall & Paul Battersby R.I.P.	14th Sunday of the Year
Mon 7 th		
Tue 8 th	10:00 am Special Intention	
Wed 9 th		10:00 am Mass Bob Lawson R.I.P. Coffee Morning to follow Mass
Thu 10 th		10:00 am Mass Bob Lawson R.I.P. School Mass Year
Fri 11 th	9:45am Requiem Mass & Burial of David Carr 6:00-6:55pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00pm Mass Patrick & Eleanor Killen R.I.P.	
Sat 12 th		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass Bob Lawson R.I.P.
Sun 13 th	9:00-9:25 Reconciliation and Exposition 9:30am Mass Joseph Welton R.I.P.	15th Sunday of the Year

Mass Intentions - We offer the facility to have Mass celebrated for your own Intention. There are quite a few Masses in each parish without any scheduled Intentions. If you would like a Mass celebrated for your personal Intention, please use an envelope available at the back of church and hand it to Fr. Manoj.

**Pope's July prayer intention:
"For Formation In Discernment"**

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



Reconciliation

Facilities to attend Reconciliation will be available prior to every daily Mass. You can also request Reconciliation at your convenience with Fr. Manoj at a prior agreed time.

Weekly Homily

Fr. Manoj's Homilies are normally posted on both Parish Websites to assist those who have difficulty in hearing or are unable to attend Mass in person. If you would like a copy via email, please speak with Gerry or Peter Killen.

NEW BULLETIN

To try and reduce the number of copies printed and the cost involved in the production of our weekly Bulletin, copies have previously been sent via email to parishioners of both parishes and copies are also posted on both the Parish Websites and in St. Paul's WhatsApp Group. If you would like to help reduce our costs further and have a copy sent to you in future, via email in lieu of getting one at church, please give your email address to Gerry or Peter Killen.

Alive in HOPE: A Church for MISSION. Bishop Stephen invites you to a **Jubilee Day** on Saturday 27th September, from 10 am to 3 pm, at Cardinal Hume Catholic School in Gateshead. Everyone is welcome! There'll be guest speakers from the Prisons' Chaplaincy and the Justice & Peace Refugee Project, and a choice of seminars/forums to reawaken and empower us for mission. This is an opportunity to connect with old friends and new, and to celebrate our diocesan family as we explore what a Church in Mission invites us to be and do! There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a prayer space in the chapel, and praise and worship led by Durham musicians 'Set A Fire'. Take a look around the marketplace where there'll be stands and gifts from some of our Catholic partners and groups. Registration and refreshments from 9.15am, but please bring a packed lunch. Ample parking is available and entry is FREE but please register at <https://bit.ly/DHNAlive25> where you'll also find more information about the seminars you'll be able to join during the day. For enquiries and parish/group bookings, email Amy at formation.mission@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 2433316. Search on Facebook, X and Bluesky using the hashtag #DHNAlive25 for the latest information and updates.



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Sunday 6th July 2025 – 14th Sunday of Year (C)



Parish Community Invitation – Jubilee Year 2025 Reflection Series

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, As we journey together towards the Jubilee Year 2025, we warmly invite all members of our parish community to join us for a series of reflection evenings focused on the Jubilee theme: "Pilgrims of Hope."

Reflection Dates: Thursday, 10th July '25- Thursday, 17th July '25 - Thursday, 24th July '25

Time: 7:00 PM Venue: St. Paul's Church – Back Chapel

The Jubilee Year is a sacred time in the life of the Church, celebrated every 25 years, rooted in wal, reconciliation, and restoration. It is a time of grace, pilgrimage, prayer, and her and with God. In preparation for this special Holy Year, our reflections will help us deepen

our understanding of the Jubilee's spiritual significance and how we can live it out in our daily lives—as individuals, families, and a parish. **We encourage everyone to attend and make these moments of prayer and reflection,** a meaningful part of our journey together. Let us walk as **Pilgrims of Hope**—renewed in faith, united in love.

Pope at Audience: Let's go to Jesus, our hope! He can heal us!

During his weekly General Audience in the Vatican, Pope Leo XIV reflects on two miracles which demonstrate that the Lord can always heal us when we go to Him in trust and faith, for "Jesus is our hope" and will make us new. "In life there are moments of disappointment and discouragement, and there is also the experience of death. Let us learn from that woman, from that father: let us go to Jesus: He can heal us, He can revive us. Jesus is our hope!" Pope Leo XIV made this invitation during his Wednesday General Audience in the Vatican, as he continued his catechesis series on the Jubilee theme of "Christ our Hope," reflecting this week on two miracles that reveal the healing power of having faith in Jesus. Two miracles born of full faith in Christ - The first miracle recounted in the Gospel according to St. Mark involves a woman who, after suffering from an illness that had led her to be shunned by society as unclean, trusts that Jesus has the power to heal her. Thus, she reaches out to touch Him amid the crowd, and because of her faith, Jesus heals her and says to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace." - In the second miracle, St. Mark recounts, Jesus raises a young girl from the dead, responding to the faith-filled plea of a distressed father, who had received the news that his daughter had died. Jesus said to him: "Do not be afraid; only have faith," goes to the man's house and, seeing everyone crying and wailing, says: "The child is not dead but sleeping." The two episodes, Pope Leo XIV suggested, reveal that when we turn to the Lord with trust and faith, nothing is beyond His capabilities. "Jesus' act shows us that not only does He heal from every illness, but He also awakens from death," Pope Leo stressed, noting, "For God, who is Eternal Life, death of the body is like sleep. True death is that of the soul: of this we must be afraid!"

Transforming our lives from within -Pope Leo also underlined that after bringing the girl back to life, Jesus tells her parents to give her something to eat, pointing this out as another very concrete sign of Jesus' closeness to our humanity. The Pope said it enables us to understand this in a deeper sense and makes us ask ourselves a question, "When our children are in crisis and need spiritual nourishment, do we know how to give it to them? And how can we, if we ourselves are not nourished by the Gospel?" The Holy Father reflected on each miracle, underscoring how they did not allow anything to get in the way of their faith in God to resolve their dire situations. "Sometimes," the Pope marvelled, "we are unaware of it, but in a secret and real way, grace reaches us and slowly transforms our lives from within."

Newman Tyneside Circle invites you to come and hear Gerald Williams speak about Jubilee: Redemption - a Hebrew Contract, a Christian Reconciliation, in the hall of Holy Name Church, Jesmond, Newcastle, on Tuesday 8th July, at 2.30pm.

St. John the Baptist Parish News



Remember in your prayers: Pat(ricia) Ryder, Anne Hall, Karen Mackie, Anna Shinwell, Arnie Masterson, Maureen Cowan's friend and Chris Garrett. **LATELY DEAD**, Ellen Sheridan, Joyce Herberson, David Campbell Carr, Barry Hall, (husband of Sandra Hall). Please keep them and all their families in your prayers.



Red Mission Boxes

Will all parishioners with a box please empty it and place the money in a bag in the Basket on St. Joseph's Altar. Please add your name in the bag. Anyone not able unable to get to church with their money, please contact Monica Mills on 0191 2680222.

St. John's Parish Council – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Sunday 13th July 2025 following the 9.30am Mass. Should you wish to have an item/issue discussed, please submit it in writing to Fr. Manoj. A copy of the 11th May 25's meeting minutes are displayed on the Porch noticeboard and have been distributed via the Parish email group.

Cleaning Rota: Group A - July, Sept, Nov. Group B – Aug, Oct, Dec. Cleaning on the 1st Saturday of every month.

Little Sister of the Poor: There is a box at the back of the church to receive your foreign coins and used postage stamps to support the Little Sisters.

St. John's Weekly Collections:
Sunday 29th June 2025 - £319.31
Peter's Pence - £25.00

Parish Emails: To be included in the Parish email system, likewise, if you no longer wish to receive St. John's parish email communication, please contact Gerry Killen at vol0040@diocesehn.org.uk

Cramlington Foodbank: Please continue to support this worthy cause, they are grateful for all your help. We have received a letter of thanks for the 42.25kg of food provided in 2025 so far (see letter on Porch noticeboard)

St. John's Graveyard: A reminder that all NEW PLOT burials will almost certainly be a single depth coffin burial. A double burial will only be possible with one coffin and one ashes casket. It is important therefore that couples and families are aware of this restriction. Burials to an EXISTING PLOT may well be double depth, however, a test will be carried out to confirm this prior to the second burial. Please also note the following - IMPORTANT – It is a requirement of the church that NO CURBS be fitted to the grave with the Memorial Headstone, or at any time after the burial. There is a 300mm. maximum area from the Headstone (grave width) for flower holders etc. There may also be a requirement to have soil spoil temporarily over the plot when a burial is arranged to an adjacent plot.

IMPORTANT - Fr Harriott informed a few Parishioners that they could reserve a burial plot – Unfortunately we are unable to find any record of the permission. If you have been given permission and have any documentation, we would appreciate a copy as available plots are decreasing. **Please note, this was not a standard practice.**

JOINT NEWS ITEMS

Second Collection: Will be taken next weekend for Sea Sunday (Stella Maris).

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions, Sea Sunda is celebrated on Sunday 13th July 2025. It is when the church prays for all those who live and work ay sea. Your support will make a big difference to Seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church via the Second Collection to be taken next weekend, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting SEA to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give as generously as you can. Thank you.

Items for the Bulletin: If you wish to have any items go into our weekly Bulletin can you please send them via email to bulletin@stpauls-rc.co.uk by **7:00pm on a Wednesday evening** to give the compositors sufficient time to prepare the Bulletin.



Voices In Tune CIC are to present Cramlington Community Choir in holding a further 2 Summer Concerts, Songs We Love To Sing, on Sunday 13th July, 202 in St. Paul's Church commencing at 2:00pm and 4:30pm. Doors will open 20 minutes prior to the start of each event. Tickets are free, with a suggested donation of £5.00, and they are available from Marylyn Turton who can also be contacted on 07388 417073.



New to the Parish: If you are new to the Parish and have not completed a new to the Parish form, please complete a form available at the back of the church or via both Websites. You will then receive import updates of Parish Activities

Diocesan Education Mass: School Directors and Governors are invited to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving for their dedication and service to Catholic education. The Mass will be at 6.30pm on Thursday 10th July at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle and will be celebrated by Bishop Stephen. Details are on the poster on the Notice Board..

Diocesan Vacancies- Parish Secretary: to see the current list of vacancies please visit <https://diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies/> or contact human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk or 0191 243 3301.

Joint News Items continued



Planned Giving: *The most convenient way to donate to the upkeep of both our parishes of St. John's and St. Paul's, is by setting up a Bank Standing Order when joining our schemes.*

The alternative option is to use weekly envelopes. Those who use these envelopes they are now ready to be collected from the Piety Stall for the 2025 / 26 Tax Year. **If you are not using the scheme, please do consider joining.** If you are a taxpayer and sign up to Gift Aid this would enable the parish to reclaim the tax you have already paid on your donations thus giving us an additional 25%, **AT NO COST TO YOU.** *If you are a higher rate taxpayer, you can claim back, for yourself, 20% of your donations made to registered charities* when you fill in your [Self Assessment tax return](#) or by [contacting HM Revenue and Customs \(HMRC\)](#) and asking them to amend your tax code. We, like many others, continue to struggle financially **so this is an easy and cost-effective way to increase your parish funds.**
PLEASE SPEAK WITH GERRY KILLEN (at St. John's) or SHEILA HEDLEY (at St. Paul's) IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE TO JOIN THE PARISH SCHEMES.

Day of Reflection for Minister of the Word (Readers) to be led by Fr Paul Jenkins.
Date: Saturday 12 July 2025 **Times:** 10.30am - 3.00pm; arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am
Location: St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY **Cost:** £15.00 per person
 The online booking form to attend is <https://forms.office.com/e/sruUxAzAfF>

Joint Parishes BBQ - Due to lack of numbers a decision has been taken to cancel the event scheduled for this weekend.

St. Paul's Parish News

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Lawson who passed away last Wednesday 2nd July and keep his family in your thoughts and prayers. Funeral arrangements will be published when known.

Parish Afternoon Tea: was held on Friday 27th June. Grateful thanks to Sheila Hedley and friends and helpers who made this a very successful event enjoyed by all who attended.



Summer Raffle: 1st prize £100, 2nd prize £50 and prizes of spirits and wine. Tickets are now on sale and the Raffle is to be drawn on Wed 15th July. Please do support this event to raise much needed parish funds. There are a considerable number of unsold tickets so please do try and help in the sale of these tickets to yourself, your family members and friends.
We are short of bottles of wine and spirits for our prizes so any /all bottle donations from parishioners will be most greatly appreciated.



Remember in your prayers: Please pray for Sr. Agnes as she has transferred to Room 32 In Astor Court, for Chris Garrett and Glynis Mayes along with Linda Turnbull and Teresa Reid who are recovering from surgery.

Bonus Ball: 28th June: No. 4 – M Biber
200 Club: 1st No. 51 A Lake 2nd No. 45 A Cole
 3rd No. 62 M Urwin



Finances
 St. Paul's Collection for 28th June £136.90
 Peter's Pence - £74.75

Little Sisters of the Poor: a letter of thanks for our very generous and compassionate response to their appeal has been received and is displayed on the Notice Board in the Porch.

Ruby Wedding: Paul & Teresa Kelly would like to thank their parish family for joining them to celebrate their Ruby Anniversary with cake and wine. Thank you for your kind wishes, cards and gifts. We are truly blessed with a lovely parish.

Ministry Rota

Bidding Prayers	5th July	12th July
Welcomers	Teresa K	Malcolm G
Readers	Meg C & Barbara W	Julie & Bob M
Eucharistic Ministers	Teresa K & Eddie L	Malcolm G & Gladys H
Coffee	Jimmy L & Gladys H	Rob M & Stephanie N
Counting	Victoria L & Pamela McG	Joyce & Malcolm G
Cleaning	Joe S, Averill R & Betty	Maria H & Kathy D
Bulletin	Stephanie N & Barbara W	Terry C & Volunteer
	Mariela	Mariela