

This week's Mass Times, Services and Intentions

	St. John the Baptist, Annitsford	St. Paul's, Cramlington
Sat 9 th		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass John Collins R.I.P.
Sun 10 th	9:30-9:55 Reconciliation and Exposition 10:00am Mass In Thanksgiving Diamond Wedding Anniversary B. & A. S.	19th Sunday of the Year
Mon 11 th		
Tue 12 th	10:00 am Requiem Mass & Burial Mary Pat Ryder	
Wed 13 th		10:00am Private Intention (SW)
Thu 14 th		10:00am World Peace
Fri 15 th	6:00 – 6:55pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00pm A sick person (Keith)	10:00am Members of St. Paul's Parish Assumption of the BVM - Holy Day
Sat 16 th		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass Daisy Wilson R.I.P.
Sun 17 th	9:00-9:25 Reconciliation and Exposition 9:30am Mass Andrew David Memola R.I.P.	20th 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 August prayer intention:
For Mutual Co-existence.

“that societies avoid internal conflicts due to ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons” and encouraging us to “seek paths of dialogue” and “respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity.”



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 are being 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.

Fr. Stanly's Thanksgiving Masses:



A Word of Appreciation. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the parish families of St. John's and St. Paul for organizing the Thanksgiving Mass for Fr. Stanly. Special appreciation goes to the social groups from both parishes, Janet, Barbara, Pat, Nelda, Marylyn, and Linda for their hard work and dedication in planning the celebration and arranging such a thoughtful gift for Fr. Stanly. Your kind gesture is deeply appreciated.

Fr. Stanly has kindly agreed to celebrate Mass on the following dates whilst Fr. Manoj is away on holiday: 23rd / 24th / 30th / 31st Aug, 6th, 13th / 14th Sept.



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Cramlington
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Sunday 10th August 2025 - 19th Sunday of the Year C)



2025 Jubilee Celebration:

As part of our parish Jubilee Celebration programme, Mass for **this Sunday ONLY** at St. John's will be celebrated **at 10:00am**, not the usual time of 9:30am. The Mass will be to thank God for couples, from both parishes, who are celebrating a Marriage Anniversary this year and everyone is invited to attend the Mass. A Mass for the Health Carers who dedicate their time looking after loved ones, friends or on a work-related basis, along with a trip to St. Mary's Cathedral in Newcastle, and further parish events are to be planned for the remainder of the Jubilee Year.



Congratulations to Our Jubilee Couples

In this blessed Year of Jubilee, we joyfully congratulate the eight couples in our parish family who are celebrating significant milestones in their marriage. Your enduring commitment to one another is a beautiful witness to the sacrament of Holy Matrimony and an inspiration to our entire community. Whether celebrating 25, 40, 50, or more years of marriage, your love, faith, and perseverance reflect God's grace and fidelity. May your journey together continue to be filled with blessings, peace, and joy. As the Church celebrates this special Jubilee Year, we give thanks for your example and pray that the Lord continues to strengthen and guide you in the years ahead

With heartfelt congratulations, Your Parish Family

“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.”

Spiders, heights, public speaking - fear is part of being human. Our bodies are intrinsically designed to detect and react to threats, dangers, and risks. Sometimes fear can keep us safe, but we know too that fear can paralyse us, steal our peace and promote division.

Our gospel passage opens with Jesus reminding us that we are called not to fear but to faith: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

In the Father's flock, led by Jesus, the Good Shepherd, we can keep our lamps burning to dispel the darkness as we wait for the Lord's return with attentive trust. As Pope Leo XIV put it, in his very first speech as Pontiff, from the balcony of St Peter's Basilica:

“God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs his light.”

May we put aside fear so Christ may find us alert, awake, and actively engaged in the work of the Kingdom, storing up the true treasure that will last.



Prayer: Shepherding God, you lead us on the path of life, walking with us through the valleys. Fill us with courage and compassion and make us always ready to welcome you. Amen.

PARKING AT ST JOHN'S: Comments have been made on the Southfield Facebook Page about parking at St John's, with reference to parking on the footpath and hindering Pedestrians, Prams and Wheelchair users. It is quite a while since this had been mentioned by the police. Please use the laybys, the grass verge on the opposite side of the road or on the church side grass verge. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ANY OF THE FOOTPATHS; you may receive a Police Notice.**



Remember in your prayers: Anne Hall, Karen Mackie, Anna Shinwell, Arnie Masterson, Peter Laggan, Maureen Cowan's friend and Chris Garrett. **LATELY DEAD,** Norman Adam Anderson & Ted Craigie, Pat(ricia) Ryder. Please keep them all, along with their families in your prayers.



Baptisms: Please keep in your prayers Tilly Grace Watson, daughter of Katie and Paul Watson, who is to be baptised into our parish family next Sunday 17th August during our scheduled Mass at 9:30am. We pray that Tilly Grace and her families and friends will be blessed with a strong faith and a long life.



Congratulations:

A special "Congratulations" with all our love to Bob and Anne Simpson celebrated their "Diamond Wedding Anniversary" last Thursday 7th August. We wish them many more happy years of married life together as we join with them in their Thanksgiving Mass celebrated today, Sunday 10th August.

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

Main Altar: we are very grateful to Colin Todd for repainting the Gold Text "Ecce Panis Angelorum, Factus Cibus Viatorum" (Behold the Bread of Angels, made the food of travellers). And the repainting of the text on Our Lady's Altar. Colin has made a wonderful job of the repainting.

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

Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers: There is a list on the Porch Noticeboard giving the Rota for Ministers to assist the priest with the distribution of the Sacred Blood at Sunday Mass Communion. If you are unable to fulfil your allocated date, please make arrangements with another Minister to stand in for you.

St. John's Weekly Collections: Sunday 3rd August 2025 - £276.88

JOINT NEWS ITEMS

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.

Would you like to help someone understand and live the catholic faith?



We have three people who are beginning a journey to being received into the Catholic Church next Easter and are looking for parishioners to walk with the three in meetings of discernment, to share their faith journey and their experience of being Catholic. If you are interested please contact Fr Manoj or Deacon Rob. We would love to see both lifelong Catholics and converts of all ages taking on this amazing opportunity.

Cramlington Foodbank



The cost of living is impacting more and more families who struggle to make ends meet. Cramlington Foodbank is very interested in any donations of non-perishable items, toiletries, cleaning products, baby items, etc. Please continue to support this worthy cause, they are grateful for all your help. Both St. John's and St. Paul's parishes have recently received a letter of thanks for their generous donations of food provided so far in 2025 (see letters on Porch noticeboards).

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



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.**

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - August 15th A Day of Obligation

This week we celebrate the glorious Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—a solemn holy day in which we honour our Blessed Mother being taken body and soul into heavenly glory. Mary's Assumption reminds us of the hope and promise of eternal life for all who follow Christ with faith and humility. Her life of total trust in God and her faithful "yes" to His will serve as a model for all believers. In her Assumption, we see not only her reward but also a glimpse of our own destiny as members of the Body of Christ. As we honour Mary, our Mother, let us seek her intercession, draw closer to her Son, and strive to live lives of holiness, love, and service. Blessed Feast of the Assumption!

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." — Luke 1:46-47 .

Mass will be celebrated in both parishes next Friday, 10:00am in St. Paul's and 7:00pm in St. John's.

Stop Assisted Suicide - Action needed! The Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill is expected to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September. Right To Life UK has launched an *EasyAction* tool to help you write to a few Peers with a tailored message to highlight key concerns with the Bill. **Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide - it takes just 30 seconds!**

"On Thursday, we will celebrate the feast of St Maximilian Kolbe, patron saint of the pro-life movement. We ask for his intercession as we, the church, seek to support all pregnant mothers through their pregnancies, and that we would become models of support and charity to all in society. Lord hear us".

Hexham & Newcastle Diocesan Vacancies- to see list of vacancies for Head of Safeguarding, HR Administrator, and Surveyor please contact 0191 243 3301 or visit human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk or <https://diocesehn.org.uk/job->

St. Paul's Parish News



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.

"ALLEN JAMIESON Deceased: An amount of £186.40 was donated by relatives and friends of Allen following his funeral service at Whitley Bay Crematorium on 29 July 2025. 70 year old Allen attended Mass at St Paul's in past years. We thank Paul, his son, for handing on these donations in Allen's memory."

Bonus Ball: 2nd August: No. 56 – T Sutton



Finances
t. Paul's Collection for 2nd August £240.80

Ministry Rota

	9 th August	16 th August
Bidding Prayers	Teresa K	Malcolm G
Welcomers	Barbara B & Anne Marie L	Meg C & Barbara W
Readers	Teresa K & Peter K	Malcolm G & Gladys H
Eucharistic Ministers	Gladys H & Jimmy L	Rob M & Stephanie N
Coffee	Joyce & Malcolm G	Joyce & Malcolm G
Counting	Team 1: Joe S, Averill R & Betty	Team 2: Maria H & Kathy D
Cleaning	Team 2: Terry C & Volunteer	Team 3: Stella S & Barbara B
Bulletin	Peter	Mariela