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24th August 2025: This week's Mass Times, Services and Intentions

	St. John the Baptist, Annitsford	St. Paul's, Cramlington
Sat 23 rd		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass Rosamma Joseph R.I.P.
Sun 24 th	9:00-9:25am Reconciliation and Exposition 9:30am Mass Barry Hall R.I.P.	21st Sunday of Year C
Tue 26 th	NO SERVICE	
Wed 27 th		9.30am Rosary Coffee Morning 10:30am 10:00am Service of Word & Communion
Thu 28 th	NO SERVICE	
Fri 29 th	6:00 – 6:55pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00pm Service of Word & Communion	
Sat 30 th		5:30 – 5:50pm Reconciliation and Exposition 6:00pm Mass Private Intention (MC): Thanksgiving for Special Intention: Thanksgiving for Successful Operation.
Sun 31 st	9:00-9:25am Reconciliation and Exposition 9:30am Mass David Carr R.I.P. & Terry Fox R.I.P.	22nd Sunday of Year C

SATURDAY VIGIL AND SUNDAY MORNING MASSES WILL CONTINUE AS USUAL WHILST FR. MANOJ IS AWAY ON HOLIDAY BUT THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES. SERVICES OF WORD & COMMUNION HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR EACH WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEEKLY BULLETINS FOR ANY CHANGES THAT MAY BE NECESSARY.

Fr Stanly will celebrate Mass on the following dates: August 23rd/24th, 30th/31st and September 6th, 13th/14th. Fr. Steven Foster will celebrate Mass at St. John's on Sunday 7th September. Please contact Deacon Rob Wareing / Gerry Killen for any issues at St. John's and Deacon Tony Turner or Deacon Rob Wareing for any issues at St. Paul's.

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", encouraging us to "seek paths of dialogue" and "Respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity."



Great North Run 2025: Fr. Stanly is taking part in this year's Run on 7th Sept and is aiming to raise funds for CAFOD. Please do consider sponsoring him in his efforts. Should you wish to do so you can **either sign one of the Sponsorship Forms which are available at the back of church** or use the following on-line Link.

[The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development \(CAFOD\): Stanly Wilson](http://TheCatholicAgencyforOverseasDevelopment.org.uk) In doing so you will be helping people like Maria who lives on the outskirts of a small town in north-eastern Brazil. As a single mother, she has often struggled to make ends meet. Several years ago, along with 12 other women from her community, Maria turned a small patch of disused dumping ground into a profitable vegetable garden having received a financial donation from CAFOD. That is one way in which CAFOD is helping people around the world to improve their lives, helping them set up businesses or projects in their local community. Please do give some serious thought as to how YOU can assist CAFOD in their goals to make life a better place for others in need around the world.

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/laspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide - it takes just 30 seconds!**

"Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" Jesus is the narrow door. He is the way, the truth, and the life. He taught on his way to Jerusalem, urging people to make every effort to follow his way of love. He teaches us to hunger for a more just world and exhorts us to be active in helping build and work for it. Are we going to be saved? Can we pass through the narrow door? I wonder what obstacles might make it difficult for us to fit through. What do we need to shed to be able to enter? Or, perhaps, it is a question of what more we need to do to be known by Jesus. Will we be known when we arrive at the great feast? Jesus encourages us with the example of those who have lived this kingdom life and have died in a loving relationship with God. May we listen to the words of Jesus and be inspired to action by the prophets. May our love for God's creation and for all whom he created be a passionate, active love that helps make a difference. May it be a love that turns worldly values upside down as we work, just like the prophets of old, to build the unity, compassion, and justice of God's kingdom here on earth.

Planned Giving: *The most convenient way to donate to the upkeep of both St. John's and St. Paul's parishes is by setting up a Bank Standing Order when joining our scheme. If you are not using the scheme, please do consider joining.* The alternative is to use our weekly envelopes. 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 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.**

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 lifelong Catholics and converts of all ages to take part in 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

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 composers sufficient time to prepare the Bulletin.

St. John the Baptist Parish News

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.

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.

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

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

St. John's Weekly Collections: Sunday 17th August 2025 - £458.23. Donation in memory of Pat Ryder £360.

St. Paul's Parish News



Remember in your prayers: Please pray for Aidan, Sr. Agnes now in Room 32 In Astor Court, for Chris Garrett and Glynis Mayes.

Bonus Ball: 16th August: No. 37 – T Urwin

St. Paul's Weekly Collection: Saturday 16th August £217.78

Rota for 23rd Aug: Welcomers:Volunteers please. **Readers:** Jacqui H & Margaret F. (Wed Terry C.) **Eucharistic Ministers** Peter K & Jacqui H. **Coffee:** Victoria L & Pamela McG. **Counting:** Team 3. **Cleaning:** Team 4. **Bulletin:** Mariela

Ministry Rota

There is a new Rota list from this weekend to 22nd November on both Notice Boards and a copy in the Piety Stall. Please look and let Peter Killen know if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry so a replacement can be arranged.