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Our Lady & St Wilfrid's Catholic Church
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**5th April 2026 – Year A – EASTER SUNDAY
HE IS RISEN**

Our Lady and St Wilfrid's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	4 th April	5.00pm	NO MASS
Easter Sunday	5th April	10.00am	Kathleen Derrick
Monday	6 th April	10.00am	Jean & Ronnie Bell
Tuesday	7 th April		
Wednesday	8 th April		
Thursday	9 th April		
Friday	10 th April	10.00am	Jean & Ronnie Bell
Saturday	11 th April	5.00pm	

Confessions: After Mass on Saturday

Sanctuary Candle:

St Joseph's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
EASTER VIGIL	4th April	7.00pm	
EASTER SUNDAY	5th April	10.00am 12.00pm ^(EF)	Priest's Intention Winifrid Rainbow
Monday	6 th April		
Tuesday	7 th April	12.05pm	Joe Murphy and members of Murphy family
Wednesday	8 th April	12.05pm	Peace in Ukraine and Middle East
Thursday	9 th April	12.05pm	Duffy family
Friday	10 th April	12.05pm	Priest's Intention
Saturday	11 th April	11.00am	Intentions of LMS
Sunday	12 th April	10.00am 12 Noon	Priest's Intention Susan Woodcock

(EF) = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL

Confessions: WEDNESDAY after Mass and SATURDAY 12.00 – 12.30pm

Sanctuary Candle:

African Community Mass 2.00pm last Sunday of every Month
followed by social gathering in the hall – all are welcome.

<p style="text-align: center;">Parish Finances</p> <p>St Joseph's Account Details Account Name: DHN Gateshead St Joseph Account Number: 31164066 Sort Code: 40-34-18</p> <p>Cheques made out to: DHN Gateshead St Joseph</p> <p>MARCH Income & Outgoings Income: £ Outgoings: £</p> <p style="text-align: center;">St Wilfrid's Account Details for Account Name: DHN Gateshead Our Lady & St Wilfrid Account Number: 01164120 Sort Code: 40-34-18</p> <p>Cheques made out to: DHN Gateshead Our Lady & St Wilfrid</p> <p>MARCH Income & Outgoing Income: £ Outgoings: £</p> <p>Please consider signing up to the Gift Aid scheme which enables the parish to claim back tax on the money donated, it costs nothing extra to you but can add a lot to parish funds.</p>	<p>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Held each Friday at 5.00pm in St Joseph's presbytery, run by the Missionaries of Charity Open to all children aged 3 -10yrs</p>
	<p>First Holy Communion Preparation Classes Preparation classes begin on Saturday 11th April at 9.15am for those who have submitted application forms.</p>
	<p>Confirmation Any young person aged 12+ who would like to be confirmed may fill in an application form.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Altar Servers</p> <p>We are always happy to welcome new altar servers to our teams, if you are interested in serving please speak to Canon Michael</p>
	<p>Young Persons' Social Group (formally Youth Club)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">We will meet very soon</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">NO refreshments TODAY after either Mass.</p>
	<p>Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation Application Forms If you would like to register for one of the above sacraments please ask for the relevant forms, available from the office</p>
<p>If you regularly give via Gift Aid envelopes please collect your new pack from the back of church. If you want to sign up for this scheme please speak to Iain Dunn at St Joseph's or Stephen Hogarth at St Wilfrid's</p>	<p>Please park in marked parking bays only, if the car park is full please find an alternative parking area.</p>
<p>Saint Casilda's Story</p> <p>Some saints' names are far more familiar to us than others, but even the lives of obscure holy persons teach us something.</p> <p>And so it is with Saint Casilda. Her father was a Muslim leader in Toledo, Spain, in the 10th century. Casilda was a devout Muslim but was kind to Christian prisoners. She became ill as a young woman but did not trust that any of the local Arab doctors could cure her. So she made a pilgrimage to the shrine of San Vincenzo in northern Spain. Like so many other people who made their way there—many of them suffering from hemorrhages—Casilda sought the healing waters of the shrine. We're uncertain what brought her to the shrine, but we do know that she left it relieved of illness.</p> <p>In response, she became a Christian and lived a life of solitude and penance not far from the miraculous spring. It's said that she lived to be 100 years old. Her death likely occurred around the year 1050.</p> <p>Feast Day 9th April franciscanmedia.org</p>	

VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers to help clean the church on a regular basis, if you are interested and can give some time each week please ask for a volunteer registration form.

Health and Safety regulations mean cleaning volunteers must not work alone.

If you would like to volunteer to serve refreshments after the midday Mass please speak to Canon Michael and collect a volunteer form.

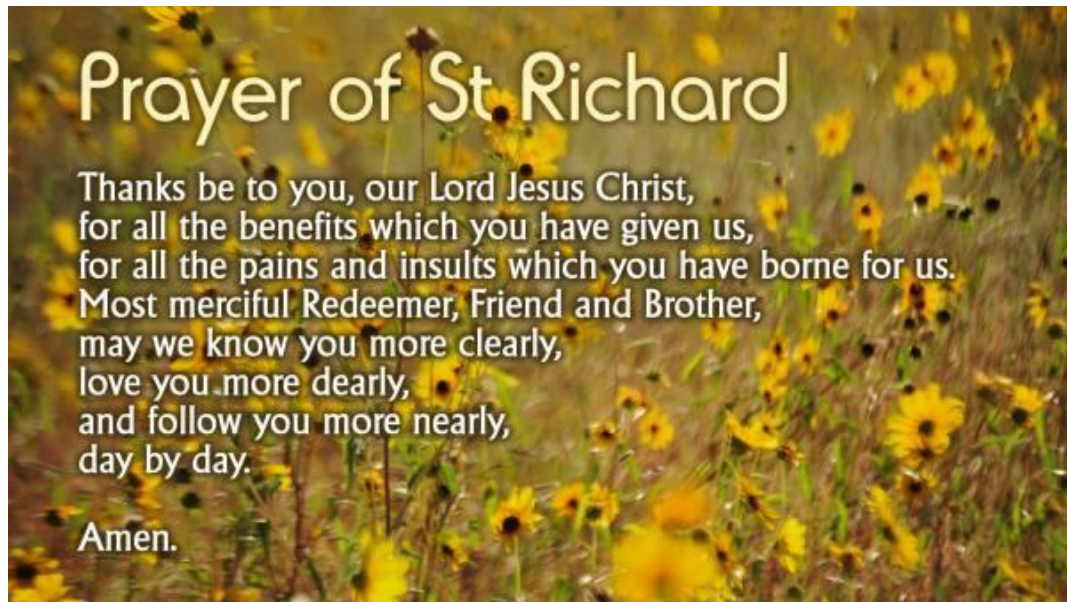
If you have anything you would like to be included in the newsletter please ask Canon Michael if it is possible and then, with his go ahead only, submit your article before mid-day on a Thursday.

DATES for YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 11th April - First Holy Communion Preparation Classes begin – 9.15am – St Joseph's

Saturday 28th November – Almost a Christmas Ceilidh is back

Canon Michael wishes everyone a very happy and Holy Easter and thanks you all for your cards, good wishes and service over the year. In particular he would like to thank our young Altar Servers whose devotion is inspiring to us all.



The Daughters of Divine Love will be selling raffle tickets after each Mass next weekend 11th – 12th April - £5 per book – please give generously.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection for retired and sick clergy after the Masses this weekend, please give generously to this worthy cause. The appeal remains open for a few weeks, please see poster at back of church.

PLEASE READ the NEWSLETTER

- TAKE the paper copy HOME with you
- Have it emailed out to you, just email your request to;
stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com
- Access it via the website;
www.stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org.uk

Or scan the QR code on the poster at the back of church.

Mass Intentions

Recently there has been a falling off in the number of Mass intentions.

However, we have a good number of intentions for Saturday night and Sunday Masses.

Please remember a priest can only take one Mass offering per day and Saturday night counts as a Sunday Mass.

Apologies if you have put in an intention for a Saturday night or Sunday morning and, as no specific date was asked for, you have been waiting a long time.

All Masses will eventually be said

PARISH LIBRARY

PLEASE LEAVE BOOKS you are DONATING to the LIBRARY in the OFFICE, NOT on the SHELVES. THANK YOU.

St Joseph's

Our Catholic Primary Schools

St Wilfrid's

A Catholic school is not sustained by buildings or budgets, but by the faith of a community willing to pass the Gospel on to the next generation. If we want our children to grow in faith, we must be willing to stand behind the places where that faith is taught, the future of a Catholic school depends not on how many Catholics live nearby, but on how many are willing to care.

We can build a stronger bond with our parish primary schools through prayer and active participation. PLEASE come along to the School Masses which are held periodically throughout the year.

First Friday Devotions - Praying For Our Priests

The parish of Christ the King, Newcastle would like to invite you and your parishioners to come along on the First Friday of every month to pray for the sanctification of our priests and to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. It will take place at St Teresa's Church, Heaton at 6.30pm and will take the form of a Holy Hour, which will include prayers for our priests and for vocations. There will also be the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The evening will conclude with Vespers at 7.15pm.

PASTORAL STRATEGY Meetings

St Wilfrid's we will be able to send in some feedback to the diocese reflecting the passion held for this parish community and making a good case to keep the church open.

What is the future for the Church and Parish of St Joseph's?

Please return your completed questionnaires as soon as possible – the future of your church may very well depend upon your answers – do not just leave it up to someone else!

Thank you to those who have already returned their questionnaires, it appears people would like more 'Family Events' and more for children – this would be great but have you considered how these are to be organised, run and paid for and by whom? Especially when so few people are prepared to volunteer for anything other than to read at Mass.

What of those activities already on offer? Do you and your family support them?

Good Shepherd programme for children aged 3-10yrs

Altar Servers from 6yrs

Young Person's social Group for those aged 11 – 16yrs

Refreshments after Mass each week

Book Club for adults held every month

Catholic Men UK/St Joseph's Men

Sew Social

Quiz Night

Christmas Ceilidh

Jumble Sales