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Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership

31st August 2025 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (OF) 12th Sunday after Pentecost (EF)

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	Aug 30 th	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	Aug 31st		
Monday	Sept Ist	10.00am	Bell and Cantwell
Tuesday	Sept 2 nd		
Wednesday	Sept 3 rd		
Thursday	Sept 4th		
Friday	Sept 5 th	10.00am	Deceased members of McDonagh and
			Butler families
Saturday	Sept_6th	5.00pm	Priest's Intention

Confessions: After Mass on Saturday

St Joseph's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday	31st Aug	10.00am	People of the Parish
		12.00pm(<i>EF</i>)	All those in sorrow at this time
Monday	Sept Ist		
Tuesday	Sept 2 nd	12.05pm	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	Sept 3 rd	12.05pm	Deceased members of Tharaniyil family
Thursday	Sept 4th	12,05pm	Holy Souls
			Deceased members of the North East Catholic
		2.00pm	History Society
Friday	Sept 5 th	12.05pm	NO MASS
Saturday	Sept 6th	11.00am (EF)	For sanctification of FSSP priests
Sunday	Sept 7th	10.00am	People of the Parish
			Armstrong family: strength, healing, peace and
		12.00 (EF)	thanksgiving
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(EF) = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL

EXPOSITION of the **BLESSED SACRAMENT**: THURSDAY 11.00am – 11.55am

Confessions: WEDNESDAY after Mass and SATURDAY 12.00 – 12.30pm

Sanctuary Candle: Soy Family

ALTAR SERVERS SOCIAL

SATURDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

From **6.00pm – 8.30pm**

Completed and signed PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM **MUST** be returned today if you wish to come along.

CATECHISM STUDY GROUP

For all those interested in exploring the riches of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

RESUMES in SOON

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This course is designed to prepare people in our pastoral area who are seeking to join the Catholic Church. Sessions begin on September 23rd at St Patrick's Parish Centre at 6.30pm, Felling and are led by Alan Egdell. If you are interested, please see Canon Brown who will give you contact details.

Book club will meet on September 2nd at 7pm at St Joseph's to discuss *Finding the Language of Grace* by Abbot Christopher Jamieson. Please note the change of date. Copies available on Amazon. All welcome.

St Joseph's LIBRARIES

Please feel free to borrow any books, DVDs or CDs but also remember to return them.

If you have any books, DVDs or CDs with which you have no more use at home and think they may be suitable for our library please leave them in the office, DO NOT put books in the libraries – they need to be checked for suitability first.

Baptism and First Holy Communication Application Forms can now be accessed online by scanning the QR codes on the notice board, or ask for a paper copy.

GOOD SHEPHERD CATECISES

There will be a meeting on FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER at 4.30pm for parents & children interested in this programme.

The **Sisters of Charity** run a **LEVEL ONE** programme for children aged **3 – 6yrs** and are beginning **LEVEL TWO** sessions soon for children aged **6 – 9+yrs**.

If you are **interested** in either of these programmes please **come** along to the **meeting**.

PARENT/CARER & BABY/TODDLER GROUP

SURVEY CLOSES TODAY

YOUTH CLUB

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INTERESTED in CATHOLIC SCOUTING and GUIDING Movement

Find out more about the **First Gateshead Branch**. Read the posters and magazines at the back of church and /or speak to Mr. Paul Hammond for more information.

Donations are now being gratefully received for the Christmas raffle: bottles, vouchers, biscuits, chocolate etc. Leave your donation in the office or hand to one of the ushers, or hand in to the hall during coffee time.

Don't forget – refreshments are served every week in the hall after 10.00am Mass, please join in.

Votive Candles

Please remember we ask for a minimum donation of 20p per candle lit.

Please **remember to park thoughtfully** in the car park, leaving a clear passage for emergency vehicle access and the freedom of movement for other vehicles. Thank you.

Almost Christmas Ceilidh

Tickets on sale now:

Adults (over 18yrs) - £10 Young parishioners (aged 12 – 18 yrs) - £5 Under12yrs free – MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Your ticket includes admission, participation in all dances and light refreshments. If you would like to bring alcoholic beverages please feel free to do so.

Please remember ALL and ANY decisions regarding what happens within the Parishes of St Joseph's and St Wilfrid's are made by Canon Michael Brown.

Please do not arrange for anything to take place within the parishes, no matter how well intended, without **FIRST** consulting your Parish Priest.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

St Wilfrid's collection £205 Gift Aid £82 St Joseph's collection £137.39 Gift Aid £181

Please consider signing up to the Gift Aid scheme.

Alternatively you can set up a regular standing order mandate with your bank – gift aided or not – this way if you cannot attend Mass for any reason you will still contribute to the weekly income.

Account Details for St Joseph's

Account Name: DHN Gateshead St Joseph

Account Number: 31164066

Sort Code: 40-34-18

Cheques made out to: DHN Gateshead St Joseph

Account Details for St Wilfrid's

Account Name: DHN Gateshead Our Lady & St Wilfrid

Account Number: 01164120

Sort Code: 40-34-18

Cheques made out to: DHN Gateshead Our Lady & St

Wilfrid

Human Trafficking

Sr. Imelda Poole IBVM ,MBE .An English religious sister who has been working against human trafficking in Albania for 20 years, will give a talk on the situation there, and how her mission is helping victims of Human Trafficking.

Tuesday September2th 2025

7pm

St Charles's Church, Gosforth

4 Rothwell Rd Gosforth NE3 ITX

NEWSLETTERS

These can be emailed to you each week if you send a request to:

stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com

Or

you can take home your very own paper copy available each Sunday from the porch

Or

You can read an enlarged version pinned up on one of the notice boards.

OR

You can access it via the parish website at www.stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org. uk

Join March for Life UK on **6th September** in London. Find out more at https://www.marchforlife.co.uk or email info@marchforlife.co.uk

Join CAFOD and the Archbishop Romero Trust, on their pilgrimage to Holy Island on **Saturday 13th September** 2025. For more information, please contact: Rachel Blaylock: rblaylock@cafod.org.uk

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.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY

LITERATURE – BOOKLETS, PAMPHLETS, MAGAZINES, POSTERS, PRAYER CARDS etc. at the back of church without the prior consent of Canon Michael Brown – Parish Priest.

Saint Gregory the Great's Story

Saint Gregory the Great was the prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years in office he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome.

Ordained a priest, Gregory became one of the pope's seven deacons, and also served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot, but at the age of 50 was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome.

Gregory was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and the victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, and for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of "Gregorian" chant is disputed.

Saint Gregory the Great lived in a time of perpetual strife with invading Lombards and difficult relations with the East. When Rome itself was under attack, he interviewed the Lombard king.

His book, *Pastoral Care*, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops mainly as physicians whose main duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own down-to-earth preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily Gospel to the needs of his listeners. Called "the Great," Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, as one of the four key doctors of the Western Church.

An Anglican historian has written: "It is impossible to conceive what would have been the confusion, the lawlessness, the chaotic state of the Middle Ages without the medieval papacy; and of the medieval papacy, the real father is Gregory the Great."

Feast Day September 3rd

PLEASE READ the NEWSLETTER

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