

**+THE PARISHES OF SAINT JOSEPH AND SAINT WILFRID+
GATESHEAD**

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE REGISTERED CHARITY No.1143450

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MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

| | FEB | | SAINT WILFRID'S | | SAINT JOSEPH'S |
|-----------|-----|---------|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Saturday | 10 | 5.00pm | People of the Parish | | |
| Sunday | 11 | | | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30am | <i>Polish Mass</i> | 12 noon (EF) | Nancy O'Sullivan's Intention |
| Monday | 12 | 10.00am | Holy Souls | | |
| Tuesday | 13 | 10.30am | Funeral Service for David Adams | 12.05pm | George & Mona McGowan |
| Wednesday | 14 | 10.00am | | 12.05pm | Brown & Henderson families |
| | | | | 6.00pm | |
| | | | | 7.00pm (EF) | |
| Thursday | 15 | | | 12.05pm | Special Intention |
| Friday | 16 | 10.00am | Bell & Cantwell families | 12.05pm | Priest's Intention |
| Saturday | 17 | | | 11.00am(EF) | Intentions of Nancy O'Sullivan <i>El Shaddai prayer group</i> |
| | | 5.00pm | Priest's Intention | 3pm-8pm | |
| Sunday | 18 | | | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30am | <i>Polish Mass</i> | 12 noon (EF) | Intentions of Fr Gary Dickson |

EF DENOTES EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL

CONFESSIONS ST. JOSEPH'S CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 12NOON-12.30PM: ON WEDNESDAYAFTER MASS.

ST WILFRID'S BEFORE 5.00PM MASS SATURDAY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAY AFTER MASS UNTIL 1.30PM. 4.30PM-5PM ON SATURDAYS AT ST WILFRID'S

COLLECTIONS:05.02.18 St Joseph's 10.00am £232.49 Midweek £94.96
12 noon £185.81 White Flower : £87.10
Total £418.30

St Wilfrid's: £165.60 Bonus Ball £116 Donations £25. Many thanks.

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Pat Palmer, Joe Beck, Bernadette Hand, Albert Hanley and Margaret Moore.

WEDNESDAY IS ASH WEDNESDAY. This is a day of fasting and abstinence when Catholics are required to abstain from meat and have only one main meal. It is not a holyday of obligation.

PRIEST'S SICK COMMUNIONS On Friday Fr Brown will take Holy Communion to housebound parishioners in the Sunderland Road area.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION. There is a form for all ministers to complete as safeguarding checks will now only be required for those who take Holy Communion out to the housebound. Checks will no longer be required for readers or welcomers either.

ST JOSEPH'S

VOLUNTEERS Many thanks to all who agreed to take become readers and ministers of Holy Communion. The training for Extraordinary Ministers is here at St Joseph's on Monday 19th and 26th of February 7-9pm with the last session 10.30am – 4.00pm with the Commissioning Mass at 3.00pm on Saturday March 3rd.

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE. Many thanks to Raj who had taken on this role recently but now finds he can no longer carry on because of other commitments. So we are looking for a parish safeguarding rep. again. If anyone thinks they would like to help the parish by taking on this important role then please see Fr Brown.

TEA AND COFFEE available after 10.00am Sunday Mass in the hall. Also after Tuesday Mass in the hall and after Saturday morning Mass in the Ingram Hall, off the sacristy. All welcome.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED. Many thanks to all who gave to the ACN appeal by Mike Collins. The collection between both parishes came to £343.05 and £52 of items were sold making a total of £395.05. This is a great response to the help needed for our suffering brothers and sisters

RED BOXES Would all those who have a Red Mission Box please hand this in next time you are at Sunday Mass, by leaving it either with David (organist), or in the sacristy. Would anyone else who would like to financially support the Missions please see David.

COMMUNITY CHOIR In response to the suggestion that we try to start some parish activities, Theresa Dewhirst has offered to start a choir for anyone who may be interested. This is not primarily for singing in church but just to bring people together to sing a wide variety of music. Anyone interested please see the notice on the parish noticeboard.

SEWING AND KNITTING: Stella Ward has volunteered to lead a sewing and knitting group for those who might like a weekly get together. Please sign the list in the porch if you think you maybe interested.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS. This is cancelled for February as it falls on Ash Wednesday.

ST.WILFRID'S.

NEW FLOOR; As you can see a complete new floor has been laid during the week. It looks Wonderful!!! This has been paid for by you-when you go on the Domino Card,Tombola,Bonus Ball and Raffles so a big Thank You. Many many thanks though to our team who came in during the week cleaning,lifting and doing other jobs that needed to be done. God Bless You All!!!

PIETY SHOP; New stock is available at the back of Church on a Saturday.

METRO CENTRE CHAPLAINCY. The Anglican chaplain to the Metro centre is looking for volunteers to help in this work. The chaplaincy seeks to be alongside the 8000+ staff to be their friend and to learn from them. Volunteers are asked to give 1-2 hours of their time weekly or fortnightly. Travel expenses are refunded. Training provided. Anyone interested please contact Lyn Jamieson on 0191 493 0259 or lyn.jamieson@intu.co.uk

**Parishes of Saint Joseph & Saint Wilfrid
Bl. John Ingram Partnership Gateshead
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time:Year B (OF)
Quinquagesima Sunday (EF)
10th /11th February 2018**

Saint Claude de la Colombière

(February 2,1641 – February 15, 1682))

This is a special day for the Jesuits, who claim today's saint as one of their own. It's also a special day for people who have a special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus—a devotion Claude de la Colombière promoted, along with his friend and spiritual companion, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque. The emphasis on God's love for all was an antidote to the rigorous moralism of the Jansenists, who were popular at the time.

Claude showed remarkable preaching skills long before his ordination in 1675. Two months later, he was made superior of a small Jesuit residence in Burgundy. It was there he first encountered Margaret Mary Alacoque. For many years after he served as her confessor.

He was next sent to England to serve as confessor to the Duchess of York. He preached by both words and by the example of his holy life, converting a number of Protestants. Tensions arose against Catholics and Claude, rumoured to be part of a plot against the king, was imprisoned. He was ultimately banished, but by then his health had been ruined.

He died in 1682. Pope John Paul II canonized Claude de la Colombière in 1992.

Feast Day:15th February

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