

**Saint Joseph's Catholic Church**  
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**Our Lady & Saint Wilfrid's Catholic Church**  
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 BETWEEN 9am & 5pm Monday to Friday

*14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (OF) 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (EF) 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022*

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND SERVICE TIMES

Day	Date	Saint Wilfrid's	Time	Saint Joseph's	Time
Saturday	July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Priest's Intention	5.00pm		
Sunday	July 3 <sup>rd</sup>			People of the Parish	10.00am
				Holy Souls in Purgatory	Midday
Monday	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS	10.00am		
Tuesday	July 5 <sup>th</sup>			NO MASS	12.05pm
Wed	July 6 <sup>th</sup>			NO MASS	12.05pm
Thursday	July 7 <sup>th</sup>			NO MASS	7.45
Friday	July 8 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS	10.00am	NO MASS	12.05pm
Saturday	July 9 <sup>th</sup>	People of the Parish	5.00pm	NO MASS	11.00am (EF)
Sunday	July 10 <sup>th</sup>			Nicholas Porteous	10.00am
				Intentions of Pat Turnbull	Midday

"E F" = EXTRAORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS IN LATIN ACCORDING TO 1962 ROMAN MISSAL

**Confessions: NONE THIS WEEK**

**NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament THIS Wednesday 11 - 11.55**

**NO Benediction and Vespers UNTIL September African Mass 2.00pm LAST Sunday of the Month**

**NEXT SUNDAY - Apostleship of the Sea Donations - Gift Aiders**

Please take an envelope from the back of church and return it with your contribution next Sunday

St Joseph's is very short of volunteers for the mundane tasks of maintaining a clean, tidy, environment, both outside and inside the church.

This will probably be very obvious especially this weekend as one of our usual volunteers, who undertakes a huge amount of work behind the scenes has been confined to bed for the week with covid and therefore unable to do the essentials.

If we had some more willing hands it would ease the burden on the few and ensure illness isn't always the barrier to a clean and tidy setting!!  
 Please give volunteering a thought!!

**“Rejoice, not that the spirits submit to you: but rejoice rather that your names are written in Heaven”**

The Sunday readings are not randomly picked, but are carefully chosen so that the First reading and the Gospel link together in the same theme: the Gospel builds on the first reading; the New Testament fulfilling the Old and the responsorial psalm reflects the theme.

Today's Psalm, which is also a response to the theme of reading and Gospel, sets out the message “Shout for joy to the Lord all the earth”. In the first reading Isaiah describes Jerusalem, God's people as a nursing mother healing our sickness and suffering and becoming the compassionate heart of the whole world. And in the gospel Jesus sends out the 72 disciples with the same message “heal the sick and bring the message of peace to all”.

We are God's chosen people, not because we are better than anybody else but because we have been chosen to serve the world. The idea of a chosen race is a dangerous one unless we remember it to mean we are chosen as servants for all of our neighbours, no matter what their race religion or creed.

It is not just the 12 apostles who are sent out, but the whole body of believers, Mission is the result of our baptism, and it is what being a Christian is all about.

Sadly the church today is not recognised by many as an instrument of peace, service and compassion to all, for many it represents the source of evils, of conflicts and war. We know that God sent His son into the world to save it, not to condemn and so we must remember we are a ‘servant church’ and we need to approach others with respect, we serve their needs, we welcome them and through example and dialogue we may just convert a non believer into a follower of Christ – we do not set out to convert but to serve – “Rejoice not that spirits submit to you. Rejoice rather that your names are written in Heaven”

We may never arrive at the point of converting someone, but the foundation for our Catholic Christian lives is one of service, welcome and compassion - when we fulfil this duty then our names are written down in heaven. Remember the beatitudes “blessed be the peacemakers for they shall become sons and daughters of God”.

Through our baptism and confirmation God empowers us to become His peacemakers throughout the world: a commitment we renew with every Holy Communion when we make contact with the Risen Lord present in the Bread of Life. It is the Lord's work we are doing, so be confident that miracles will happen and like the 72 we will find evils dissolve in the presence of our love, let us truly be instruments of peace and reconciliation.

A Chinese Proverb which reflects this beautifully is:  
Where there is respect in the heart: there is beauty in the person;  
where there is beauty in the person there is harmony in the home.  
Where there is harmony in the home there is order in the nation  
where there is order in the nation there is peace in the world.

**St Wilfrid's Summer Garden Party**  
**Save the date AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup>**

We are planning a summer garden party with a shared table, teas/coffees and refreshments for all.  
We are seeking tombola and raffle prizes for the event, please be as generous as you can be. Prizes may be left in the church porch or handed to Steven Hogarth.

Teas and Coffees are served in the John Ingram room after Mass on Saturday and in the hall after Mass on Tuesday, please come and join us, ALL are welcome

**Book Club**

We are reading 'The Monk', a novel by Matthew Lewis and will meet to discuss on Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm  
all are welcome.

**CMUK/St Joseph's Men**

Meet on **Saturday** mornings at **7.00am** for Exposition, Bible reading and breakfast, **all are welcome to Exposition and all men are welcome to Bible and breakfast.**

**New Parishioner and Updated Information**

Please complete one of the forms available at Church and send back to us. If you want this form emailed to you, please let us know and then you can complete it on your own computer and email it back to us.

**Apostleship of the Sea**  
**Extra collection NEXT weekend**

How can we make our church community more vibrant and welcoming? How can we encourage others to become members of our community? How can we support each other on our faith journey? If you have any ideas for groups or clubs or activities you would like to see set up or be part of please email the office.

**Don't forget about the Mexican family fun afternoon coming up on September 11<sup>th</sup> - SAVE the DATE**

**BEGINNING in SEPTEMBER**

**The Good Shepherd catechesis programme**

For children aged 3-7yrs proposed beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 4pm

**Baptism and First Holy Communion preparation sessions**

For any child over the age of 7 who would like to be baptised or received into the church and/or to make their first Holy Communion, beginning Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 4.15pm

**Youth Choir**

For children aged 8-13yrs, no experience necessary, just an interest in singing, date and time to be arranged

**For all of the above parents MUST REGISTER their children BEFORE END of AUGUST. Registration forms are available at the back of church or from the office and must be returned to the office.**

**Weekly Income for 26th June 2022**

**St Joseph's**

Loose Plate Collection: £ 257.89

Gift Aid Envelopes: £210 Votive Candles: £32.76

Rental income: Room: £24 car park: £10

Donation: £4,400 African Mass: £77.86

Peter's pence: £71.81

**St Wilfrid's**

Loose Plate: £158 Gift Aid: £37

Donation: £20 Lay Training Fund: £50



The Catholic Herald, which is now a monthly magazine, is on sale in the porch at a cost of £5  
July edition of Northern Cross also available at a cost of £1.50

**BOOK of REMEMBRANCE**

If you would like to have the name of a deceased relative or friend placed in the book of remembrance please put the **name and death anniversary date** along with a **donation** into an envelope and hand it into the office or place on the collection plate.

Please submit new names for entry as soon as possible in order for the book to be updated soon.

### **Volunteers**

If you would like to volunteer for any role at St Joseph's please fill in a volunteer form available from the office.

### **Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle**

St Joseph's Home (LSP), Newcastle are looking for volunteers to help throughout the Home (e.g. helping with residents' activities, administration duties, fundraising and other various duties). If you are interested and would like to help, please contact Sister Evelyn or Mother Deirdre at St Joseph's Home on 0191 2731279 for further details.

### **GREGG'S FOOD VOUCHERS**

PLEASE consider buying some and handing into office in order that they can be distributed to the poor who come asking.  
Thank you

### **Blessed John Ingram**

50<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk takes place July 24<sup>th</sup> why not join in? John Ingram was martyred here in Gateshead and we have a plaque dedicated to him at the back of St Joseph's church where you will also find some leaflets about him. The piety stall sells cards and Rosary beads featuring Blessed John Ingram

**Please take this Newsletter home with you so that you know what's happening in your parish this week**

### **PARENTS**

**Please take responsibility for your children. If they use the children's library please help them to return it to its tidy self, books upright on the shelves, chairs placed back ready for the next child etc.**

**If your child plays with the stones around the church please ensure he/she puts them back into the proper place and does not leave them strewn around the ground where they become a hazard and an eyesore!**

**Thank you for your co-operation**

### **Are You Being Called?**

You might be thinking: "I've got this niggling feeling that Our Lord might be asking me to follow him by thinking of the priesthood. What can I do to find out?"

Visit the Diocesan webpage

[Priesthood - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle](http://www.diocesahn.org.uk)  
(diocesahn.org.uk)

**Mass of Thanksgiving for NHS Staff, Chaplains and Care Workers at 19:00 on Thursday 14th July**, the Feast of St Camillus, at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle.

**If you have anything you would like to be put in the newsletter please email or hand in to the office before mid-day on a Thursday.**

Bishop Paul McAleenan who has special responsibility for migrants and is Chair of the Office for Migration Policy at the Catholic Bishops' Conference made this statement on June 14th 2022: The UK's plans to forcibly deport to Rwanda some of those seeking refuge in our country is shamefully illustrative of what Pope Francis has called the 'loss of that sense of responsibility for our brothers and sisters on which every civil society is based'. The plan is presented as a humanitarian response to combat people trafficking and smuggling yet the result will compound the suffering of those who are already victims. Crime is defeated by confronting the perpetrators not by punishing victims. This scheme will increase the difficulties of those hoping for a new beginning, and it does nothing to address the problems which cause people to flee their homes. Migration is a complex issue, but it is not resolved by delegating our roles and responsibilities to other countries. Our starting point should be the innate dignity of every person, created in the image and likeness of God. Our Christian faith demands that we respond generously to asylum seekers whose dignity must be protected and upheld. Whether or not the flight to Rwanda takes off today we are now in a new situation. With greater force we insist that asylum seekers are not commodities for profit, nor are they problems to be rejected and deported by government. Instead we should be guided by the four verbs provided by Pope Francis in our approach to migrants and refugees, 'Welcome, protect, promote and integrate'.

### **Diocesan Vacancies**

Refugee Project Co-coordinator – part-time (18 hours), initial 12- month contract. Closing date for applications: 4 July 2022 Please visit [www.diocesahn.org.uk](http://www.diocesahn.org.uk) for full details or contact 0191 243 3301.