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Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership

20th July 2025

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time (OF) 6th Sunday after Pentecost (EF)

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	19 th July	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	20 th July		
Monday	21 st July	10.00am	Bell & Cantwell families
Tuesday	22 nd July		
Wednesday	23 rd July		
Thursday	24 th July		
Friday	25 th July	10.00am	Priest's Intention
Saturday	26 th July	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	27 th July		

Confessions: After Mass on Saturday

Sanctuary Candle:

St Joseph's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	19 th July	11.00am (EF)	
Sunday	20 th July	10.00am	Eve Smith
		12.00pm(EF) Latin Mass	People of the Parish
Monday	21 st July		
Tuesday	22 nd July	12.05pm	Holy Souls
Wednesday	23 rd July	12.05pm	For God's direction and protection
Thursday	24 th July	12.05pm	Mary & George Craig
Friday	25 th July	12.05pm	T.V. Joseph
Saturday	26 th July	11.00am (EF)	Holy Souls
Sunday	27 th July	10.00am	People of the Parish
		12.00 (EF) Latin Mass	Alison Ross

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

Sanctuary Candle Intention:

Intentions of Joseph Devitt

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

Confessions: WEDNESDAY after Mass and SATURDAY 12.00 – 12.30pm

Congratulations to: - Esther, John, Merit, Osaretin, Harry, Hector, Tom, James, Franco, Raphael, Billy, Rory, Andre and Mary who were all confirmed by the Bishop last Sunday.

The Sacraments

Baptism

If you have a child you would like to be Baptised please speak to Canon Michael and complete an application form.

If you are an adult seeking Baptism or Reception into the Catholic Church, please speak to Canon Michael.

First Holy Communion and First Confession

If you have a child who would like to make his/her first Holy Communion and first Confession, please fill in an application form, available at the back of church, or from the office, and return this as soon as possible with a copy of the child's baptism certificate.

Confirmation

If you are aged 11+ and would like to be confirmed please ask for an application form, available from the office, complete this and return it along with a copy of your baptism certificate.

Marriage

Please speak to Canon Michael about preparation classes and for any information regarding Catholic Marriage.

Holy Orders

If you feel you may have a Vocation to Holy Orders please speak to Canon Michael, it is never too soon to begin to discern this very important decision, and having the support of your Parish Priest to accompany you is both wise and comforting.

Saint Mary Magdalene's Story

Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honoured in the Bible than Mary Magdalene. Yet she could well be the patron of the slandered, since there has been a persistent legend in the Church that she is the unnamed sinful woman who anointed the feet of Jesus in Luke 7:36-50.

Most Scripture scholars today point out that there is no scriptural basis for confusing the two women. Mary Magdalene, that is, "of Magdala," was the one from whom Christ cast out "seven demons" (Luke 8:2)—an indication at the worst, of extreme demonic possession or possibly, severe illness.

Writing in the *New Catholic Commentary*, Father Wilfrid J. Harrington, O.P., says that "seven demons" "does not mean that Mary had lived an immoral life—a conclusion reached only by means of a mistaken identification with the anonymous woman of Luke 7:36." In the *Jerome Biblical Commentary*, Father Edward Mally, S.J., agrees that she "is not...the same as the sinner of Luke 7:37, despite the later Western romantic tradition about her."

Mary Magdalene was one of the many "who were assisting them [Jesus and the Twelve] out of their means." She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given. She is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

Feast day July 22nd

franciscanmedia.org

The **Book club** will be meeting on July 22nd at 7,00pm to discuss "*God's Architect: Pugin and the Building of Romantic Britain*" by Rosemary Hill

All are welcome

ALTAR SERVERS

We are always happy to **welcome new team members.**

If you wish to serve at the Mid-Day Latin Mass you must be aged 7+, have made your first Holy Communion and be male.

If you wish to serve at the 10.00am, English Mass you need only to be able to show reverence and respect on the Sanctuary and be able to follow instructions, boys and girls are welcome.

Application forms are available for anyone interested, please ask.

There will be a social event for ALL our Servers towards the end of the summer, please keep watching this space for more information as it becomes available.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

St Wilfrid's collection	£ 156	Gift Aid £87
St Joseph's collection	£ 259	Gift Aid £322

Over recent weeks the offertory Collection at St Joseph's has been dwindling quite considerably, this has a direct impact upon the upkeep of the parish and is causing concern.

Please consider giving a little bit more and/or 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

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FEEDBACK NEEDED PLEASE.

We are hoping to start both a PARENT/CARER & BABY/TODDLER GROUP for our youngest parishioners and their adults, as well as a **YOUTH CLUB** for our young parishioners aged 11 – 16yrs.

Your interest, input and feedback regarding these two ventures is vital.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the above please email stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com

There are some questionnaires available at the back of church. I would be very grateful if you would spend some time filling these in and returning them to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

We have a small collection of books for you to look at with your child(ren) during Mass, these are located in two baskets in the church porch.

Please supervise your child(ren) carefully whilst they browse as we have had to remove several books and the bookcase due to damage caused by little hands which have yet to understand how to treat things with gentle respect.

If you would like to borrow a book or two to take home, please do, just record in the file which books you have taken, look after them whilst in your care and remember to return them after use.

ADULT LIBRARY

If you would like to borrow books or CDs from the adult library please remember to record this in the file and to return the items after use, several books have gone missing which is very sad as this resource is meant for everyone.

YOUTH SECTION

We are trying to build up a section for youngsters for whom the children's books are too simple and the adult books too difficult, if you have any books with which you have no more use at home and think they may be suitable for our library please leave them in the office.

CATECHISM STUDY GROUP

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

Will RESUME in SEPTEMBER

Votive Candles

Please remember we ask for a minimum donation of 20p per candle lit, this covers the cost of purchasing the candles and gives a little welcome income to the parish which is not a rich one and has debts to be paid.

You are cordially invited to the 53rd Annual Blessed John Ingram walk, which takes place on **Sunday 27 July 2025** led by Fr Dermot Preston SJ.

Meeting and starting from St Andrew's Anglican Church at 230pm, the walk will end at St Edmund's Chapel, High Street, Gateshead for an ecumenical service followed by refreshments (non-walkers can meet there at 3.30pm).

This event is organised by the St Vincent de Paul Society with the help of clergy and parishioners of both churches.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

The Youth 2000 Festival is taking part **at Ampleforth from Friday August 22nd, 3pm until Monday August 25th**. Please use this link for further information and for all Registration Details – <https://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025>.

March for Life UK

Join March for Life UK on **6th September** in London. The right to life underpins every other right we have and without it every other right is rendered meaningless. Abortion denies the most vulnerable in our society of their most basic right which is why this year's theme is "Human Rights For All Humans." Unite with thousands of others at this family friendly event where we recognise the value of life from conception and stand up for all those who have been impacted by abortion. Find out more at <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk> or email info@marchforlife.co.uk

CAFOD Pilgrimage to Holy Island

Date for the Diary: In this special Year of Jubilee, all are welcome to join CAFOD and the Archbishop Romero Trust, on their pilgrimage to Holy Island on **Saturday 13th September 2025**. Full details on Diocesan Website, <https://diocesehn.org.uk/>. Service in St Aidan's Church at 12.00 noon. Opportunity for Lunch. 3.00pm: Mass in St Mary's Church. Tide times for safe crossing: 10.45am – 5.35pm. For more information, please contact: Rachel Blaylock: rblaylock@cafod.org.uk

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- Access it via the website;

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

- Have it emailed out to you, just email your request to;
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