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Trinity Sunday 15th June 2025 Happy Father's Day to ALL Fathers

Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	June 14th	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	June 15 th		
Monday	June 16 th	10.00am	Bell & Cantwell families
Tuesday	June 17 th		
Wednesday	June 18 th		
Thursday	June 19 th		
Friday	June 20th	10.00am	Priest's Intention
Saturday	June 21st	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	June 22 nd		

Confessions: After Mass on Saturday

Sanctuary Candle:

St Joseph's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	June 14th	11.00am (EF)	
Sunday	June 15 th	10.00am	People of the Parish
		12.00pm (EF)	Holy Souls
Monday	June 16th		
Tuesday	June 17th	12.05pm	George& Bernard Wright and Mona Richardson
Wednesday	June 18th	12.05pm	Holy Souls
Thursday	June 19th	12.05pm	Priest's Intention
		7.00pm (EF) Latin Mass	Holy Souls
Friday	June 20th	12.05pm	Holy Souls
Saturday	June 21st	I I.00am (EF) Latin Mass	Leonardus Withoos
Sunday	June 22nd	10.00am	Dorothy Devitt & deceased of Devitt & Doherty Families
		12.00 (EF) Latin Mass	People of the Parish

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

Confessions: WEDNESDAY after Mass SATURDAY 12-12.30pm Sanctuary Candle: Soy's Intentions

EXPOSITION THURSDAY 11.00am – 11.55am

Venerable Matt Talbot's story

Matt can be considered the patron of men and women struggling with alcoholism. He was born in Dublin, where his father worked on the docks and had a difficult time supporting his family. After a few years of schooling, Matt obtained work as a messenger for some liquor merchants; there he began to drink excessively. For 15 years—until he was almost 30—Matt was an active alcoholic.

One day he decided to take "the pledge" for three months, make a general confession and begin to attend daily Mass. There is evidence that Matt's first seven years after taking the pledge were especially difficult. Avoiding his former drinking places was hard. He began to pray as intensely as he used to drink. He also tried to pay back people from whom he had borrowed or stolen money while he was drinking.

Most of his life Matt worked as a builder's laborer. He joined the Secular Franciscan Order and began a life of strict penance; he abstained from meat nine months a year. Matt spent hours every night avidly reading Scripture and the lives of the saints. He prayed the rosary conscientiously. Though his job did not make him rich, Matt contributed generously to the missions.

After 1923, Matt's health failed, and he was forced to quit work. He died on his way to church on Trinity Sunday. Fifty years later, Pope Paul VI gave Matt Talbot the title venerable.

Feast day June 19th franciscanmedia.org



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES continue TODAY SUNDAY JUNE 15th at 6.00pm. Please come to the hall.

The next FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS – will be TOMORROW - Monday June 16th at 4.15pm and will last approximately one hour.

BENEDICTION will take place on **SUNDAY** 6th **JULY** at 6.00pm.

All those preparing for Confirmation are expected to attend along with their sponsors.

Benediction will be followed by a short rehearsal session for the Confirmation ceremony; this will be useful for all sponsors especially if they have not fulfilled this role before. We will then have light refreshments in the hall and a presentation by our Confirmation Candidates.

CATECHISM STUDY GROUP

If you are interested in exploring the riches of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or you are wanting to become a Catholic this new group meets on **Wednesday nights at 7pm** at St Joseph's presbytery.

All welcome.

10.00am Mass - ALTAR SERVERS

There will be a special training session at **6.30pm** on **Thursday 10**th **July** for all those who have committed to serve at the 10.00am Mass over which the Bishop is presiding.

Only those servers committed to serving for the Bishop need attend.

The session will last approximately one hour.

Book club - next Meeting - Tuesday July 22nd All are welcome

PREPARING the CHURCH for the BISHOP'S VISIT

Could you help to make the church sparkle in **preparation** for the **Bishop's visit**?

Can you give just one hour of your time to help? We have two dedicated volunteers who regularly clean the church on a Friday evening; perhaps you could join them on the **evening of JULY II**th from 4.30pm – 5.30pm or come along on the **afternoon of JULY I2**th from 2.30pm – 3.30pm to help get everything 'ship-shape'?

Please sign the list at the back of the church if you will help, this gives me an idea of which jobs to prioritize.

DAY for LIFE - 15th JUNE - THIS SUNDAY

Every year the Church in England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life from the moment of conception until death.

You can find prayers, resources and a special message from the bishops as well as a link to **make donations** by visiting:

<u>Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and</u> Wales' website

St Wilfrid's collection £191 Gift Aid £57
St Joseph's collection £217.54 Gift Aid £177.10

YOUTH CLUB

We are hoping to start a youth club for our young parishioners aged 11 – 16yrs, please keep an eye out for further information and if you have any questions or suggestions regarding this please email stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Application forms are available for any children who have reached, or will reach their 7th birthday, before the next set of preparation classes begin which will be sometime in October.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

We are always happy to welcome new team members.

Application forms are available for anyone interested, please ask.

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.

PARENT/CARER & BABY/TODDLER GROUP

We are hoping to start the above for our youngest parishioners and their adults please keep an eye out for further information and if you have any questions or suggestions regarding this please email stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com

BAPTISM

Application forms are available from the office. Parent preparation classes will be organised once there are sufficient candidates.

NEW VOLUNTEERS

We are always happy to welcome new team members.

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Corpus Christi: Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Ushaw

On Sunday 22nd June, Ushaw will be hosting a Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Bishop Stephen Wright, and starting at 3pm in St. Cuthbert's Chapel. Weather permitting, the procession will go through Ushaw's gardens, returning to the Chapel for Benediction. Teas and coffees will be available after the service.

You do not need a ticket for this event, but please sign up on the sheet available at the back of church, to help Ushaw to estimate numbers. Please indicate if you are bringing a car: this will help Ushaw to manage car parking requirements.

Hope in a Time of Darkness

This is a lecture by His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe OP, on Monday 23rd June 2025 at 7:45pm in the Galilee Chapel, Durham Cathedral. Durham Cathedral Institute is delighted to be hosting this year's Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture of the Centre for Catholic Studies at Durham University, and respondent Prof Anna Rowlands. For more information and to book tickets, please visit https://durhamcathedral.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173659458.

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/.

PLEASE READ the NEWSLETTER

- TAKE the paper copy HOME with you
- Access it via the website;

www.stjosephscatholicchurchgateshead.org.uk

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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