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Our Lady & St
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Parishes of the John Ingram Partnership

Feast of Christ the King Year C (OF) 23rd November 2025
Last Sunday after Pentecost (EF)

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	Nov 22 nd	5.00pm	Priest's Intention
Sunday	Nov 23 rd		
Monday	Nov 24 th	10.00am	Bell and Cantwell
Tuesday	Nov 25 th		
Wednesday	Nov 26 th		
Thursday	Nov 27 th		
Friday	Nov 28 th	10.00am	NO MASS
Saturday	Nov 29 th	5.00pm	Priest's Intention

Confessions: After Mass on Saturday

Sanctuary Candle:

St Joseph's Mass Times and Other Services

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday	Nov 23 rd	10.00am	Health of Kay Walker
		12.00pm(EF)	12.00 (EF) People of the parish
Monday	Nov 24 th		
Tuesday	Nov 25 th	12.05pm	No Mass
Wednesday	Nov 26 th	10.00am	Deceased of St Joseph's parish (School Mass)
Thursday	Nov 27 th	12.05pm	NP Intention
Friday	Nov 28 th	12.05pm	NO MASS
Saturday	Nov 29 th	11.00am (EF)	George and Mary Wright
Sunday	Nov 30 th	10.00am	People of the Parish
		12.00 (EF)	Well-being of Gerry and Arlene
		2.00pm	African Community Mass

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

Confessions: WEDNESDAY after Mass & SATURDAY 12.00 – 12.30pm

Sanctuary Candle:

African Community Mass 2.00pm last Sunday of every Month
followed by social gathering in the hall – all are welcome.

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

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Meets every Friday - 4.30pm in St Joseph's presbytery.
All children aged 3 -10yrs are very welcome to come along.

Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation

If you would like to register for one of the above sacraments please ask for the relevant application forms.

Tea/Coffee/soft drink & biscuits
Served after 10.00am Mass in the church hall.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

St Wilfrid's collection £165.40 Gift Aid £77
St Joseph's collection £281.50 Gift Aid £194

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

St Joseph's CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Tickets are £1 per strip, to be drawn on
Sunday 21st December after the 10.00am Mass

Please keep in your prayers: Colette, Eric, Christabel, Daniel and Olaedo who are making their first Holy Communion today.

Rorate Mass Saturday 6th December

This popular Advent Devotion will begin at **7 am.** Just before dawn.

The Mass said in the Extraordinary Form is by candle-light which is a marvellous sight, if you have never experienced this early morning Mass before I encourage you to come along, you won't be disappointed.

Book club will meet on December 9th at 7pm at St Joseph's to discuss *Galileo's Daughter*. Copies available on Amazon from £3.66. All welcome.

St Stephen's Day – 26th December – Boxing Day – the day after Christmas Day -We will be holding our annual St Stephen's Guild Mass on his feast day.

All Altar Servers are asked to attend, we have some new servers to be enrolled into the Guild and the current members will receive service award certificates.

Teas/coffees/juice and light refreshments will be served in the hall following Mass.

Mass will begin at 10.00am – ALL parishioners are invited and welcomed.

Servers please email to let us know if you will be serving.

YOUTH CLUB

NEXT Meeting on JANUARY 4th for an Epiphany Party in a joint venture with the Scouts and Holy Family Guild, please email if you would like to come along:
stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com

Book Of Remembrance. The book will be updated soon. If you would like the name of a deceased person to be added please write the details – full name & date of death - put in an envelope marked 'Book of Remembrance' with your offering. (The suggested amount is £10).

**Almost a Christmas Ceilidh
Friday 28th November 6.00pm.**

**LAST CHANCE to BUY TICKETS for this PARISH SOCIAL EVENT
Come along to get to know your fellow parishioners in a relaxed, fun
environment**

Join us in St Joseph's Church Hall for music, laughter, dancing, refreshments and friendship

Adults: £10

Young parishioners (12–18 yrs): £5

under 12s: 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.

**‘GOOD OLD-FASHIONED JUMBLE SALE’
SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER starting at 12.30pm in the hall**

**This event is to raise much needed funds for YOUR Parish CHURCH
It will only be a success if we have enough volunteers to help.**

We need people to man the stalls, collect entrance fees, serve refreshments,
and put the jumble out ready, tidy away after the event – don't leave it up to
someone else, volunteer yourself.

Please email - stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com if you can help

**Preparing YOUR Church for Christmas
Saturday 13th December – Beginning at 12.45pm**

We need people to sweep the floors, vacuum the Sanctuary, dust the statues,
polish the brass, clean the candle holders as well as put up the Christmas tree
and decorations.

It is also an opportunity to get to know fellow parishioners as we work
together and relax afterwards with mulled wine and mince pies.

Please email stjosephstwilfridgateshead25@outlook.com if you can help,
(we need numbers for the mince pies etc.)

ST WILFRIDS; RAFFLE TICKETS
Are on sale, the cost is £1 per book.
CHRISTMAS CARDS, 2026 diaries and
calendars and other items are now available
at the back of church or in the kitchen.

If you would like to help prepare St Wilfrid's
Church for Christmas or help out in any
way at this church please speak to **Canon
Michael** and Stephen Hogarth or Richard
Kelly or Rachel Arthurs

Saint Columban's Story

Saint Columban (Columbanus) was the greatest of the Irish missionaries who worked on the European continent. As a young man who was greatly tormented by temptations of the flesh, he sought the advice of a religious woman who had lived a hermit's life for years. He saw in her answer a call to leave the world. He went first to a monk on an island in Lough Erne, then to the great monastic seat of learning at Bangor.

After many years of seclusion and prayer, he traveled to Gaul with 12 companion missionaries. They won wide respect for the rigor of their discipline, their preaching, and their commitment to charity and religious life in a time characterized by clerical laxity and civil strife. Columban established several monasteries in Europe which became centers of religion and culture. His writings include a treatise on penance and against Arianism, sermons, poetry, and his monastic rule.

Like all saints, he met opposition. Ultimately he had to appeal to the pope against complaints of Frankish bishops, for vindication of his orthodoxy and approval of Irish customs. He reproved the king for his licentious life, insisting that he marry. Since this threatened the power of the queen mother, Columban was deported back to Ireland. His ship ran aground in a storm, and he continued his work in Europe, ultimately arriving in Italy, where he found favor with the king of the Lombards. In his last years he established the famous monastery of Bobbio, where he died.

Saint Columban's Liturgical Feast Day: 23rd November

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Toilet wipes. Please do not put any type of wipes down the toilet. These cause blockages in the sewers and lead to flooding of the area. Even wipes which say they are flushable must not be flushed down the toilet. The blockage of sewers can be traced to individual sites and a charge will be levied against offenders. Please use the bins provided for the disposal of wipes.

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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