

MASS TIMES & FEAST DAYS

JS - St Joseph's School , IS - St Joseph's Infant School, BS - St Benet's School , C - Church

SAT	The Birth of John the Baptist 12th SUNDAY OF YEAR A 6.00 pm	Susan Towns	C. Cowie, W. Thompson
SUN	8.15 am 10.00 am	People of the Parish Thanks	A. Blankley, J. McLean C. Cowie, D. Duffy
MON	Weekday 11.00 am	Requiem - Laurie Falloon	
TUE	St Cyril of Alexandria 11.00 7.00 pm - C	Requiem - Catherine Young Holy Souls	
WED	St Irenaeus 9.00 am - BS 1.30 pm	Requiem - Joe Brooks	
THU	SS Peter & Paul, Apostles (HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION) 1.30 pm 7.00 pm	Requiem - Reg Hattam Vocations	
FRI	The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome 9.00 am - JS	Edmund & Rosanna Booth	
SAT	St Oliver Plunkett 13th SUNDAY OF YEAR A 6.00 pm	Joe Brooks	T. Quigley, T. McEnaney
SUN	8.15 am 10.00 am	People of the Parish Terry Cantwell	A. Welsh, P. Monaghan E. Fenton, T. Wilson



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TWELFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

25 JUNE 2017

Reconciliation Saturday (11.00 am - 12 noon). Please see notice at the back of church for extended times in nearby parishes.

Sick Imelda Graham, Paul Younger, Terry Gorman, David Tanner, Cliff Burton, Ron Fryer, Margaret Cookson, Rose Hall, Jordan Daniels, Louise Lonsdell, Margaret Whittleton, James Ruddick, Doris Hunter, Mary Elston, Shirley Ward, Deidre Turner, Dennis Duffy, Godfrey Keefe, Arthur Wardle, Betty Green, Mary Brennan, Millie McCormack, Molly Menim, Sarah Sables, Christopher Browne and all our long-term sick and housebound.

Baptisms

Marriages

Deceased Reg Hattam, Laurie Falloon

Hospital Chaplains You must ask the Ward Sister for the ON-CALL Roman Catholic Chaplain if you want a visit for one of your family in hospital.

MON	26 Jun	CWG	Meet as usual.
TUE	27 Jun	CMS	
WED	28 Jun	YMG	Meet at the new Coleman's in South Shields for a fish and chip supper.
THU	29 Jun	SVP	Meet at 8.00 pm every second Thursday of the month in The Presbytery.
		PM CLUB	Meet as usual.

OFFERTORY Many thanks for last week's collection. This week there is a special collection for the SVP. Next week there will be a special collection for Peter's Pence.

CYCLE OF PRAYER During summer we are asked to pray for a deeper understanding between Christians & Jews, those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights, Europe, human life and seafarers.

CAFOD Next Saturday 01 July - Pilgrimage to Holy Island. The bus leaves St Joseph's at 10.00 am prompt. The fare for adults is £10 and for children £5. If you wish to go there are a few seats left; contact Jim Tumilty (410 4577) or Kevin Haigh (410 2779).

RED BOXES Quarterly magazines are at the back of church for box holders to take. The next collection will be in the parish centre from 11.00 am on Sunday 02 July.

JAZZ IN BIRTLEY From 8.00 until 11.00 pm in the parish centre on Thursday 06 July. Music by the Rae Brothers. Bring your dancin' shoes for a great night out with Trad Jazz at its best! Tickets £3.00 for guests and £2.50 for members.

PARISH COUNCIL The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held at 7.00 pm on Sunday 09 July 2017, in the Presbytery. At this month's meeting several items were discussed: further progress in St Benedict's Partnership of Parishes, (see *next page*), proposed re-structuring of the parish centre management, removal of the ceiling insulation panels in church and preparations for Confirmations either later this year or in early 2018.

FEAST OF ST BENEDICT An inaugural Mass for our partnership with other parishes will be held here in St Joseph's at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 11 July. Parishioners from our partner parishes are to be invited to attend and to take part. Afterwards there will be a social evening in the parish centre. More details to follow.

MASS FOR THE HOUSEBOUND This will be celebrated at 2.30 pm on Saturday 15 July 2017. Individual letters for eucharistic ministers are available at the back of church; these give further details and invitations for any parishioner not covered by a eucharistic minister.

PARISH LOURDES YOUTH SPONSORSHIP Will you be between the ages of 16 and 25 on Friday 28 July 2017? Would you like to join over 100 other young people to share a week of hard work, prayer and fun? Then why not join the Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2017? The parish will support you in raising funds to subsidise your fare. If you want to know more contact Mick Davison (410 6823) or Margaret Taylor (410 0776).

JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT NEWCASTLE Those working with refugees and asylum seekers are always thankful for the donations received from St Joseph's. Apart from our normal food donations they would also welcome cooking oil, tinned tomatoes and corned beef. They have a shortage of toiletries, including toothpaste, shower gel and shampoo. Many young men in their twenties and thirties would be grateful for jeans, shirts, T shirts, shoes and trainers. If you can help, please leave any items at the back of church at any of the weekend Masses.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS In October 2018, bishops will gather in Rome to consider "YOUNG PEOPLE, FAITH & VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT". In preparation the bishops of England & Wales would like to hear from young people and those regularly in contact with them. If you are aged 13-29 please take part in the Mega Youth Poll at:
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/parish-youth-poll
 Parents, teachers, catechists and youth leaders can participate at:
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cymfed-yourview