

MASS TIMES & FEAST DAYS

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

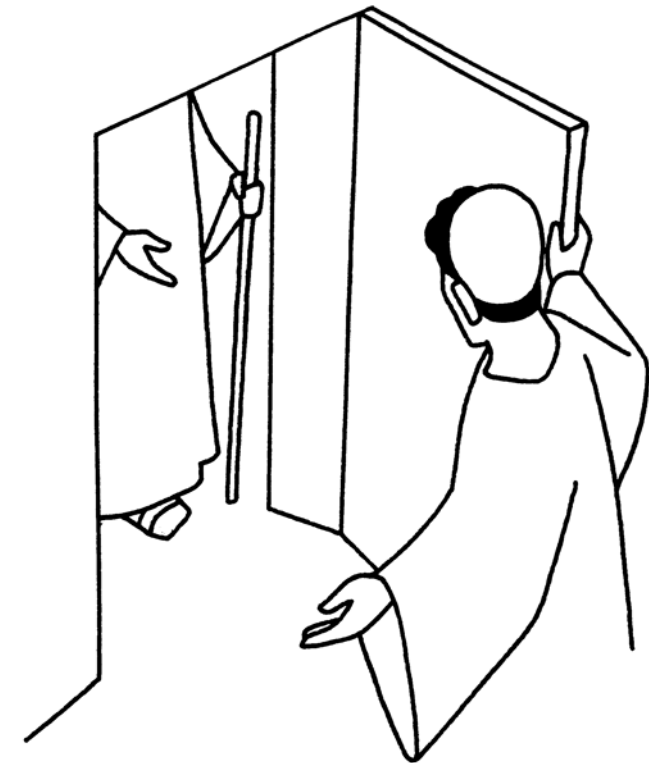
SAT	St Oliver Plunkett 13th SUNDAY OF YEAR A 6.00 pm	Joe Brooks	T. Quigley, T. McEnaney
SUN	8.15 am 10.00 am	People of the Parish Terry Cantwell	A. Welsh, P. Monaghan E. Fenton, T. Wilson
MON	St Thomas, Apostle		
TUE	St Elizabeth of Portugal 7.00 pm - C	Tony Middleton	
WED	St Anthony Zaccaria 9.00 am - BS	Vocations to the religious life	
THU	St Maria Goretti 7.00 pm - C	Joe Brooks	
FRI	Weekday 9.00 am - JS	Holy Souls	
SAT	Weekday 14th SUNDAY OF YEAR A 6.00 pm	John & Harriett Hogan	P. Pestell, K. Baggott
SUN	8.15 am 10.00 am	People of the Parish Marie Rees	W. Thompson, C. Brennan S. Neal, K. Okoji

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

02 JULY 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 Stephen Kelly & Olaf Balcerowski

Marriages

Deceased Bob Bailes

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.

Durham 0191 526 5131, Gateshead 0191 445 2072, Newcastle 0191 232 6953

MON	03 July	CWG	Meet as usual.
TUE	04 July	CMS	
WED	05 July	YMG	
THU	06 July	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 Peter's Pence. Next week there will be a special collection for THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

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.

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 today. 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 next 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 below), 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.

MASS FOR THE HOUSEBOUND The annual Mass for the Housebound will be celebrated at 2.30 pm on Saturday 15 July. All are welcome to attend this Mass so please come and show your support for our sick and housebound parishioners.

MUSIC AT USHAW COLLEGE A series of concerts are scheduled to take place at Ushaw College over the summer weeks, including the Royal Northern Sinfonia Orchestra and a visiting choir from Canada; tickets can be obtained from www.ushaw.org or by calling (0191) 373 8500 between 10.00 am and 12 noon. There is a poster at the back of church detailing the **world class performers** coming to the college! An opportunity not to be missed!

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