

## MASS TIMES & FEAST DAYS

C - Church, BS - St Benet's School, IS - St Joseph's Infant School, JS - St Joseph's School,  
PC - Parish Centre, P - Presbytery, SC - Saltwell Crematorium

SAT	Our Lady of the Rosary 27th Sunday of Year A 6.00 pm - C	Rose Hall	W. Thompson, B. Bailes
SUN	8.15 am - C 10.00 am - C	People of the Parish Vocations to the priesthood	J. McLean, A. Blankley S. Neal, K. Okoji
MON	Weekday		
TUE	St Paulinus of York 7.00 pm - C	Margaret & Lawrence Reed	
WED	St John XXIII 9.00 am - BS 12 noon - Requiem	Angela Gardiner Philip Docherty	
THU	St Wilfrid 12.05 pm - C	Constance Hogg	
FRI	St Edward the Confessor 9.00 am - JS	Mary & William Elliott	
SAT	St Callistus I 28th Sunday of Year A 6.00 pm - C	Margaret & Lawrence Reed	C. Cowie, W. Thompson
SUN	8.15 am - C 10.00 am - C	People of the Parish Linda Webster	P. Monaghan, A. Welsh E. Fenton, T. Wilson

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

**Sick** Paul Younger, Terry Gorman, David Tanner, Cliff Burton, Ron Fryer, Margaret Cookson, Jordan Daniels, Louie 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** Fr Michael Conarty

**Hospital Chaplains** Please ask the Ward Sister for the ON-CALL Roman Catholic Chaplain if you want a visit for one of your family in hospital. The chaplains' new telephone numbers are:

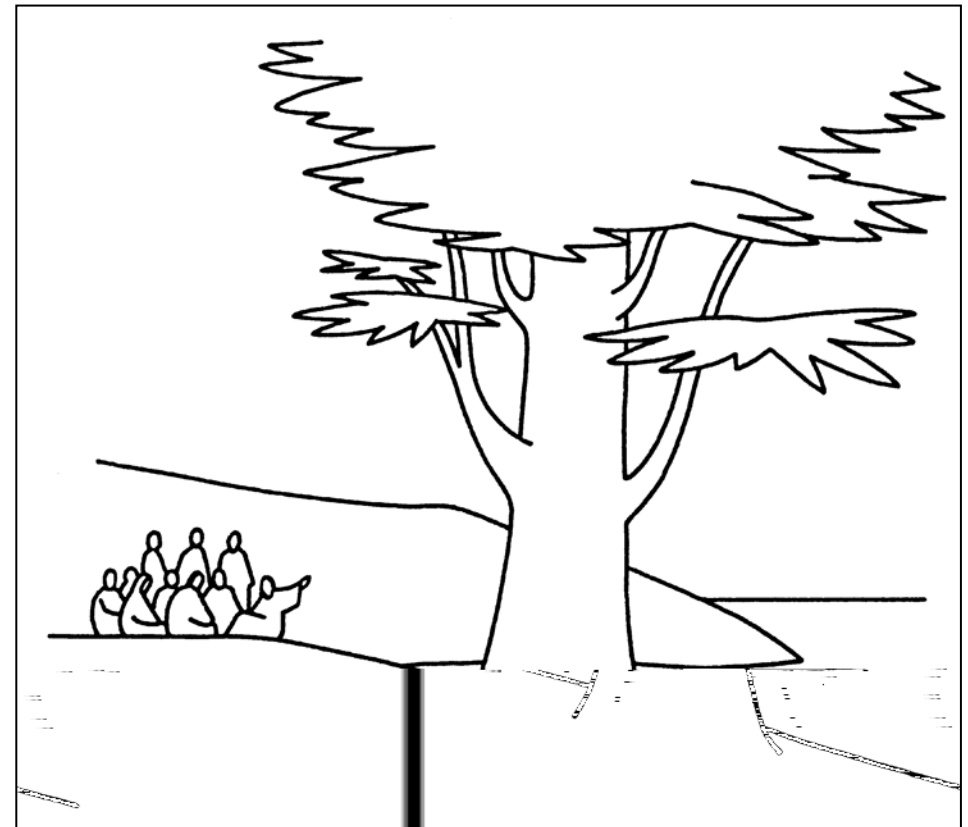
Durham 0191 333 2333, Gateshead 0191 482 0000 Newcastle 0191 233 6161

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**NEWSLETTER - TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A**

**08 OCTOBER 2017**

MON	09 Oct	<b>CWG</b>	Meet as usual.
TUE	10 Oct	<b>CMS</b>	
WED	11 Oct	<b>YMG</b>	Flower Arranging.
THU	12 Oct	<b>SVP</b>	Meet at 8.00 pm every second Thursday of the month in The Presbytery.
FRI	13 Oct	<b>PM CLUB</b>	Meet as usual.

OFFERTORY Many thanks for last week's collection. This week there is a special collection for CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY.

PARISH COUNCIL Next meeting, today, Sunday 08 October at 7.00 pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Fr Duffy will enrol the children at the 10.00 am Mass next Sunday, 15 October, and present each with a copy of MY MASS BOOK. Please welcome them warmly into our parish community.

JOURNEY OF FAITH This will begin at 6.00 pm on Wednesday 18 October in Caroline's Library at St Benet's School. If you wish to join please contact Deacon Peter.

PASTORAL DAY With Bill Huebsch. This is a pastoral workshop which will allow us to explore our responsibility to befriend and accompany others on their journeys of faith. It will be held in the Sunderland Marriott Hotel from 10.30 am until 4.00 pm on Thursday 26 October. Deacon Peter will arrange transport for anyone wishing to attend.

PARISH GARDENS Volunteers are needed to help with the garden around the church - mainly helping to cut the grass. The garden behind the presbytery could be available as an allotment. The people doing the work now are finding it is becoming difficult. Can you help please?

SAFE FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN Many thanks to all who have volunteered to work with this charity; it works hand-in-hand with children's services to link families in need with local volunteers who can offer help and support. Please see the review at the back of church for this work - copies are also available to take home. If you would like to be a volunteer please contact Deacon Peter.

READING MINISTRY If you would like to read at the weekend Masses please contact Wyn Thompson (387 1509) or Deacon Peter (410 2530).