

St Joseph's R.C. Parish Birtley

Part of the Benedict Partnership of Parishes

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Services this week in St Joseph's and the Parish of St John XXIII

19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B					
Sat 11 Aug	St Bede Washington	17.00	Vera Holt & Pauline Reay	Reconciliation Before Weekday Mass (6.30-6.55) on Tuesday and (11.30-12.00) on Thursday Revised times in other Partnership Parishes are displayed on the poster at the back of church	
	St Joseph Birtley	18.00	Brian Lee & Isabella Bryden		
Sun 12 Aug	St Bede Washington	08.30	John Liddle		
	St John Boste Washington	09.30	James Frazer		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	10.00	Michael McMonigle		
	St Joseph Birtley	10.00	People of the Parish		
	Our Lady's Washington	11.00	Our Parish Family	Baptisms Jude Smart, Hannah Johnson & Logan Reynolds	
Mon 13 Aug	Our Lady's Washington	09.15	Word & Holy Communion		
	St John Boste	09.15	Word & Holy Communion PY		
	St Bede Washington	10.00	Requiem Mass Joan Barrett	Deceased John Lucas	
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	19.00	Phil & June Falloon		
Tue 14 Aug	St John Boste Washington	09.15	Word & Holy Communion	Weddings Helen Grieves & Karl Scott Thomas Bell & Jill Ashley	
	Our Lady's Washington	Noon	In Thanksgiving		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	19.00	Word & Holy Communion		
Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady into Heaven					
Vigil Tue	St Joseph Birtley	19.00	Sanctity of Human Life	Please pray for: Terry O'Brien, Elizabeth Donnelly, John McNulty, Bernard Brennan, Teresa Brooks, 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.	
	St Bede Washington	19.00	Janet Walker & Family		
Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady into Heaven					
Wed 15 Aug	St Joseph Birtley	09.00	Youth of the Parish		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	09.30	Amy		
	Our Lady's Washington	09.15	Word & Holy Communion		
	Our Lady's Washington	11.00	The sick of the Parish		
	St Joseph Birtley	19.00	Holy Souls		
	St John Boste Washington	19.00	William Butch		
Thu 16 Aug	St John Boste Washington	09.15	Word & Holy Communion		
	Our Lady's Washington	09.15	Ann Johnson		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	10.00	Fr Stuart Ramsden		
	St Bede Washington	11.00	Requiem Mass Cath Beavers		
	St Joseph Birtley	12.05	John Lucas		
Fri 17 Aug	St Joseph Birtley	09.00	Deceased CWL Members		
	St Bede Washington	09.05	Patricia Allon		
	Our Lady's Washington	09.15	Word & Holy Communion		
	St John Boste Washington	09.30	Priest's Intention		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	19.00	Word & Holy Communion		
Sat 18 Aug	Queen of Peace Penshaw	09.00	Word & Holy Communion		
	St Bede Washington	09.05	Word & Holy Communion		
	Our Lady's Washington	09.15	Paul I*le3y		
	St John Boste Washington	10.00	Wedding Anniversary (67 years)		
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B					
Vigil Sat	St Bede Washington	17.00	Harry Cowan, Hannah & Michael Vincent	Hospital Chaplains Please ask the Ward Sister for the on-call RC Chaplain if you want a hospital chaplain to visit one of your family in hospital. The chaplain's telephone numbers are: Durham: (0191) 3332333, Gateshead: (0191) 4820000 & Newcastle: (0191) 2336161	
	St Joseph Birtley	18.00	People of the Parish		
Sun 19 Aug	St Bede Washington	08.30	Our Parish Family		
	St John Boste Washington	09.30	John O'Brien		
	Queen of Peace Penshaw	10.00	Ella Davison & Cruddas Family		
	St Joseph Birtley	10.00	Vocations		
	Our Lady's Washington	11.00	Margaret & Edward Clark		
	Our Lady's Washington	18.00	Special Intention (AOH)		

175th ANNIVERSARY OF ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

On Saturday 18th August we will celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the First Mass in our Church in 1843. Fr Geoffrey Scott (Abbot of Douai Abbey) will join us for the 6.00pm Mass, followed by a social evening in the Parish Centre. We have extended an invitation to the other parishes in the Benedict Partnership to join us in this celebration.

MASS INTENTIONS

Because we didn't have regular weekday Masses for more than two months, we seem to have got out of the habit of requesting Mass intentions. Now that we have more regular weekday Masses there are more opportunities for requesting Mass intentions.

WEEKLY HOUSE MASSES

As far as possible the House Mass host will invite parishioners from their own locality. Attendance is by invitation of the host as he/she knows how many can be accommodated in their space. We recommend there be no lavish refreshments, if at all, only tea/coffee & a biscuit.

MONTHLY ANNOINTING MASS

Initially this will take place on the 1st Thursday of the month at 12.05pm. Will those with cars kindly offer your sick and housebound neighbours a lift.

VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Initially Fr Paul will accompany the extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist who take communion to the sick/housebound. Any sick/housebound person who do not receive communion from a minister & would appreciate a visit from Fr Paul, simply drop a note into the presbytery, giving your name, address and telephone number.

CAFOD HOLY ISLAND PILGRIMAGE

On Sat 1st September, leaving from Church at 9.30am and returning from Lindisfarne at 5.00pm. £10 adults, £5 children. Please add your name to the list at the back of Church.

ST JOSEPH'S SVP

The next meeting will be held in the Presbytery, Sun 2nd September after 10.00am Mass.

PM CLUB

Back after the summer break – meet this Friday 17th August in the Parish Centre

AUTUMN FAYRE

This year will be on Saturday 6th October.

PRAYERS FOR BIRTLEY

Tuesday morning at 9.30 in the Methodist Church.

CAFOD RETREAT

At Ministeracres, Nov 17th 10.00am – 4.00pm
'Countering Consumerism'
Book directly at cafod.org.uk/retreat

OFFERTORY Thank you for last week's collection

INDUCTION OF FR MARK AS PARISH PRIEST

As you know Bishop Seamus has asked Father Mark Millward, Fr Jim O'Keefe and Fr Paul to take pastoral responsibility for St Joseph's Parish alongside the Parish of John XXIII (Washington & Penschaw).

On Thursday 30th August at 7.00pm there will be a Mass during which Fr Mark will be inducted as the Parish Priest of St Joseph's Birtley.

Please put the date in your diary and come along to join our brothers and sisters from across the partnership to welcome Fr Mark as parish priest. Fr Mark will continue to live in Penschaw, Fr Jim will be in St Bede's Washington and Fr Paul will reside in the Presbytery here in Birtley.

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

here will be a Day of Reflection for all the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist in the Partnership on Saturday 29th September in St Robert's School, Washington. Please put the date in your diary.

SINGERS AND MUSICIANS

Our Partnership have organised a workshop for anyone involved in the Music Ministry, or anyone who would like to be involved. The workshop will be led by inspiring church musician Jo Boyce at the Emmaus Youth Village on Friday and Saturday 16/17th November. Put the date in your diary. More details and booking forms available soon.

MINISTERACRES RETREAT

The partnership have been invited by St Michaels, Houghton to join them in a weekend retreat at Ministeracres, 7th-9th September. All ages & families welcome. Please contact Mrs Edna Harrison for more details/bookings 0191-6822541 or Ministeracres directly on 0143-4673248.

PARTNERSHIP NEWSLETTER

Available at the back of church or online at www.rcdhn.org.uk/partnerships/ptnsharing.php

PARISH CENTRE - The Parish Centre is your place to gather together with family & friends to relax & enjoy yourselves in a comfortable & safe environment. Rooms are available for all your special occasions: christenings, birthday parties, engagements, weddings & funerals. If you wish to book the Parish Centre after a funeral on a day or time when the Centre is normally closed, we will open for you. Look at the web site to see what is available: www.birtleycatholicclub.com

PARISH BULLETIN If you have items to include in the Bulletin please email birtleybulletin@gmail.com If you do not have access to email please put any items for the bulletin in an envelope marked "Bulletin" through the letterbox in the Presbytery. Deadline each week is Thurs 5pm. Please keep your items brief and to the point.