

# MASSES & SERVICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Day		Time		Church	Mass Intention	
Sat	6 July	4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass of Sunday	St. Anthony's St. Anthony's	Alice Simpson	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	7 July	8.15 am 9.00 am 10.30 am 11.00 am 5.00 pm	Confessions Holy Mass Confessions Holy Mass Vespers & Benediction	St. Lawrence's St. Lawrence's St. Teresa's St. Teresa's St. Teresa's	Jon Thomson People of the Parishes	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	8 July	5.45 pm 6.30 pm	Exposition & Confessions Holy Mass	St. Teresa's	Patricia Jordan	Feria
Tue	9 July	9.15 am 10.00 am	Exposition & Confessions Holy Mass	St. Anthony's	Thomson & Gange Families Living & Deceased	Feria
Wed	10 July					Feria
Thur	11 July	8.45 am 9.30 am	Exposition & Rosary Holy Mass	St. Lawrence's St. Lawrence's	Crabtree & Birch Families Living & Deceased	St. Benedict
Fri	12 July	9.30 am	Holy Mass	St. Teresa's	Deacon John Hawthorne RIP	Feria
Sat	13 July	12.00 pm 4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Nuptial Mass Confessions Vigil Mass of Sunday	St. Teresa's St. Anthony's St. Anthony's	Chigozie & Chidinma People of the Parishes	Our Lady's Saturday 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	14 July	8.15 am 9.00 am 10.30 am 11.00 am 5.00 pm	Confessions Holy Mass Confessions Holy Mass Vespers & Benediction	St. Lawrence's St. Lawrence's St. Teresa's St. Teresa's St. Teresa's	Davy & McCrenalds Families Living & Deceased  Rev. Dr. Edmund Chukwudala Igboanusi	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Please continue to remember in your prayers:

*those who are sick or housebound and their carers:*

John Gourley, Doreen Graham, June Stephenson, Aileen, Tommy Allan, Tony Errington, Pat Matfin, Mary McLaren and Gerard Lalor.

Our sick children: Josh Graham, James Taylor, Joseph Relph, Colby Taylor & Charlie Davidson

### THE CYCLE OF PRAYER

#### Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention for July:

**For the Sick:** Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

#### During Ordinary Time (Summer)

We are asked to pray for these intentions: A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who suffer persecution, oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life & Seafarers.



**St. TERESA'S**

Heaton Road, Heaton



**St. ANTHONY'S**

Welbeck Road, Walker



**St. LAWRENCE'S**

Byker Crescent, Byker



## Parish Newsletter

### 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Sunday 7th July 2024**

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<b>Safeguarding</b>	The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are listed below or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk">safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk</a>		
<b>Safeguarding Reps:</b>	St. Teresa's:	Jean Potts	
	St. Lawrence's:	George Paul Atkinson	
	St. Anthony's:	Christine Dixon	
<b>Parish Websites:</b>	<a href="http://www.stteresaeastnewcastle.org.uk">www.stteresaeastnewcastle.org.uk</a>	<a href="http://www.stanthonyssfrancis.org.uk">www.stanthonyssfrancis.org.uk</a>	

### THIS WEEKS REFLECTION FROM FR JONATHON

Today, Jesus returns to his hometown and preaches in the synagogue where he had grown up - only to be rejected by his own people. He was one of their own - they had watched Jesus as a child, knew his family, shared meals and worship - so how had he become so knowledgeable? Why should they respect him? They were taken aback at the power of his presence and his teaching, but couldn't get past Jesus "the carpenter, the Son of Mary" to see his holiness and authority. The Saviour of the world was in their midst, but their closed minds made it impossible for him to help them. He "was amazed at their unbelief".

The people of Nazareth couldn't explain Jesus, so they refused to listen to him. This is still true today. Most people have little trouble with the nativity scene, but won't believe that the baby was God in the flesh, born of a virgin. They are aware of his crucifixion, but won't accept that Jesus rose again from death and still lives today, for our salvation. When people's understanding of Jesus begins and ends with a baby and a crucifixion, they are seriously missing the point. They need to know how and why the Son of God came to earth to live amongst us; how and why God has forgiven all our sins and liberated us from death - and they need their hearts and minds opened to feel how deeply and unconditionally he loves them.

For many Catholics we need to get back to basics, to dust off the Catechism that sits on the shelf, to discuss the big topics of life, to understand the teachings of the Church, but more importantly to grow in our encounter and our love of the Lord. The Nazarenes had "known" Jesus for 30 years, yet had no real relationship with him. How long have you known Jesus? If you would like to know him better, or aren't sure how to explain him to others, what is stopping you from finding out?! It is time that we wake up from our slumber in order to become the missionary disciples that we are called to be.

**Fr. Jonathon**

## **NEWS FROM OUR PARISHES, PARTNERSHIP AND VICARIATE**

### **WE KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS**

We keep in our prayers Johnny Tony, Daisy Bea and Maggie who are to be baptised this weekend. Please also pray for Cigozie and Chidinma who will be married at St Teresa's on Saturday. Please also pray for those we know who are unwell, as well as the many who have no one to pray for them; for those in hospital and for all undergoing treatment for serious illnesses. We continue to pray for all those who have died recently, especially for Hannah Stoker and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Hannah's Cremation service will take place on Monday 15th July at 10.30am at West Road Crematorium.

### **SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND - STELLA MARIS**

Next weekend we celebrate Sea Sunday, where we pray especially for all those who work at Sea, and for all those who minister to our seafarers. Please do give as generously as possible.

### **YOUNG ADULT PRAYER GROUP**

The next meeting of the Young Adult Prayer Group will take place on Thursday 18th July at 7.00pm at St. Teresa's. The group is a wonderful opportunity to come together and pray. Social time in St. T's afterwards is also a great way to meet others of a similar age to discuss the faith and to ask questions.

### **LOURDES PETITIONS**

Pauline and Joanna Pearson will be travelling to Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage on July 26th and have previously taken personal petitions on behalf of those parishioners wishing to send them. Personal petitions will be presented at the Grotto and offered up to Our Blessed Lady...Petitions should be in a sealed envelope and should not include money.....they can be handed to Fr Jonathon who will pass them on to Pauline at St Teresa's by Sunday 21st July.

### **NEW LECTIONARIES**

As you are aware the Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture Readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising the liturgical texts. The new Lectionaries will be mandatory for use in all parishes from Advent Sunday. These books come at a substantial cost to our parishes. However, thanks to your generosity in sponsoring the books we are able to purchase these books without it affecting the parish reserves. May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated money towards these.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST. TERESA'S**

Now that the summer holiday's are approaching the Children's Liturgy sessions will be taking a summer break. Therefore, there will be no Children's Liturgy in July or August. However, there will be little bags for children to collect when they come in for Mass. These will contain a sheet with a puzzle and something to colour in, along with crayons, and a little Mass book. If you do use these, please return the bag to the box at the end of the Mass for the next week.

### **ST. LAWRENCE'S CULTURAL AFTERNOON**

A cultural afternoon will take place TODAY at St Lawrences between 1.00pm and 4.30pm. This will include different activities for all to enjoy, along with some different cultural dishes for people to enjoy. If you would like to bring some food along to share please do.

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Any Parents hoping to have their child baptised are asked to speak to Fr Jonathon, in person, after Sunday Mass to arrange this. This is the preferred way for organising Baptisms. One parent must be a Baptised Catholic, and one godparent should be a practising and confirmed catholic.

### **BECOMING A CATHOLIC - RCIA**

If there is anyone considering joining the Journey in Faith, at the end of September, with the possibility of becoming Catholic, it is important to try and make an appointment to see Fr Jonathon. It is also an expectation that you would be coming to Sunday Mass (or the Vigil) each week. Please try and speak with Fr Jonathon as soon as possible

### **DAILY MASS AND EXPOSITION**

Mass is celebrated within our three parishes every day (except a Wednesday). Are you retired? Are you on holiday? Are you free during the day? Do you need some support? Come to Mass during the week and experience the benefits we receive by doing so. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament gives us some quiet time for prayer and peacefulness and at Mass the Lord Jesus feeds us with his body and blood. What a wonderful opportunity lies before us every week!

### **PARISH READERS STUDY DAY & DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

In preparation for the new lectionary, Fr. Jonathon will be holding a study day for all parish readers. This will take place on Saturday 16th November at St. Teresa's. It will begin with Holy Mass at 10am and will be finished by 12.30pm. This day will include having a look at the new texts that are going to be used along with looking at how we prepare ourselves to proclaim the scriptures for others. The day will also allow us all to recommit ourselves to this important ministry. If you would like to become a reader, please speak to Fr Jonathon. Please put this date in your diaries!

### **PARISH AWAY DAY FOR ALTAR SERVERS**

There will be an away day for our Parish Altar Servers on Saturday 7th September. We will be heading up to Holy Island, where we will celebrate Mass before exploring the Island. We will then head to Seahouses for Fish & Chips and a game of Crazy Golf, before we head back home. If you would like to come along, please speak to Fr Jonathon to collect a consent form, along with more information about timings.

### **SUNDAY EVENING VESPERS & BENEDICTION**

Every Sunday at 5.00pm at St. Teresa's we have Sung Vespers and Benediction. Throughout the month of July, which is dedicated to the Precious Blood, we will be having devotions to the Most Precious Blood during this time. Evening Prayer and Benediction is a wonderful way to bring our Sunday to a close, spending time with Jesus in prayer and praise. Please do come along if you are able to.

## **NEWS FROM OUR DIOCESE & THE WIDER CHURCH**

### **PRIESTLY ORDINATION**

We keep in our prayers Rev Joseph O'Brien who will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Stephen at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 22nd July. Deacon Joseph, from Whitley Bay, has spent his time in seminary at the Venerable English College, Rome, where he will return after his ordination to the priesthood to complete his studies in Canon Law. We assure Deacon Joseph of our prayers as he begins his priestly ministry in the diocese, and pray that he will be a faithful steward of the Sacred Mysteries.

### **IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?**

The Vocations Team extends an invitation to men aged 18+, who might be experiencing the call from God to discern priesthood to join the Vocations Team in finding out more. The evenings will take place at St Joseph's Church, Stanley once a month on a Tuesday Evening. For more information, please see the posters in the church porches or speak to Fr Jonathon.

### **HOLY ISLAND CHILDREN'S CAMP**

Holy Island Camp has a limited number of places available on weeks 3, 5 and 7 for children in school years 5-7. A week's holiday costs £150 for food, accommodation, activities and transport by coach from Tyneside. There are still some assisted and free places. The holiday is a traditional one with lots of fun, sports, craft activities and excitement. For further details please visit <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island>

### **YOUTH 2000 GATHERING**

Youth 2000 is holding an afternoon of prayer & praise, reflection and social on Sunday 7th July from 2.00pm to 4pm at St Cuthbert's RC Church, Old Elvet, Durham. Open to Young people aged 16-35 (under 16s will need to request a Parent Consent form from [frnickjennings@uwclub.net](mailto:frnickjennings@uwclub.net)) Further enquiries email [irishanthony12@gmail.com](mailto:irishanthony12@gmail.com) Don't forget to book for the Youth2000 Summer festival in Ampleforth Abbey August 23-26 [https:// www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2024](https://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2024)

### **FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN: LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

In September, meetings for parents and children in years 3-5 will begin at St Dominic's, on one Saturday per month, at 4pm. These meetings are independent of preparation for First Holy Communion in schools. So far, parents of 5 children have expressed an interest. Parents will gather to reflect on their joys and challenges, in ongoing accompaniment with Fr Peter Randall and catechists. Their children will be accompanied in a journey of discipleship which starts with the Good Shepherd. How do we know his voice? Who will open the gate for him? How does he protect his sheep? The first meeting will be a "taster", to explain and demonstrate the methods used. If you would like to know more, please contact Fr Peter by 31st July. [prandallsj@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:prandallsj@jesuit.org.uk) or by phone 07852 591292.

### **PROUD CATHOLICS**

The next meeting of Proud Catholics will take place on Tuesday 16th July at 7.30pm at St Andrew's, Newcastle. More information about Proud Catholics can be found on their website at <https://www.proud Catholics.co.uk/>