

MASSES & SERVICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Day		Time		Church	Mass Intention	
Sat	28 Sept	4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass of Sunday	St. Anthony's St. Anthony's	Thompson, Kelly & Hutchinson Families (L&D)	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	29 Sep	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	Deceased members of McPeake Family People of the Parishes	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	30 Sept	8.30 am 5.45 pm 6.30 pm	Silent Prayer Adoration & Confessions Holy Mass	St. Teresa's St. Teresa's St. Teresa's	For World Peace	St Jerome
Tue	1 Oct	9.00 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Adoration & Holy Rosary Holy Mass Solemn Mass	St. Anthony's St. Anthony's St. Teresa's	Fr. Michael Conaty RIP Private Intention	St Therese
Wed	2 Oct					Guardian Angels
Thur	3 Oct	8.45 am 9.30 am 7.00 pm	Adoration & Holy Rosary Holy Mass Adoration & Compline	St. Lawrence's St. Lawrence's St. Teresa's	Thanksgiving	Feria
Fri	4 Oct	8.45 am 9.30 am	Adoration & Holy Rosary Holy Mass	St. Teresa's	Fr. Denis Kellett RIP	St. Francis of Assisi
Sat	5 Oct	8.00 am 4.45 pm 5.30 pm	Holy Mass Confessions Vigil Mass of Sunday	St. Teresa's St. Anthony's St. Anthony's	For the People of Parishes Phil Gosling RIP	St Faustina 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	6 Oct	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	Stephen Hanson RIP Special Intention (GSJ)	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. TERESA'S

Heaton Road, Heaton



St. ANTHONY'S

Welbeck Road, Walker



St. LAWRENCE'S

Byker Crescent, Byker



Parish Newsletter

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday 29th September 2024

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Safeguarding	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 safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk		
Safeguarding Reps:	St. Teresa's:	Jean Potts	
	St. Lawrence's:	George Paul Atkinson	
	St. Anthony's:	Christine Dixon	
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THIS WEEKS REFLECTION FROM FR JONATHON

We act in another's name in many different circumstances, for example, as ambassadors, those with power of attorney, parents until a child is of legal age. When we act in another's name, we are not acting as ourselves, but as the other. We are not serving our own needs or interests, but the other's. So it is with those who act in Jesus' name.

What does it mean to act in Jesus' name? What is done in his name, even by those who seemingly are not disciples, continues his saving mission. Jesus is not concerned about who "belongs" or not, but rather about them being consistent with his saving mission. Whoever places serving Jesus and his saving mission above serving their own needs and interests is a true disciple.

"Since Christ died for all men, and since the ultimate vocation of man is in fact one, and divine, we ought to believe that the Holy Spirit in a manner known only to God offers to every man the possibility of being associated with this paschal mystery." (Pope Paul VI, *Gaudium et Spes*, 22).

Faithfully acting in Jesus' name requires radical choices on our part. For example, choosing to be a full, conscious, active participant in liturgy; choosing to follow Gospel values rather than merely follow the crowd; choosing to follow God's call to ordained ministry or religious life. While these and many other radical choices are never easy, when we remain focused on Jesus and his saving mission, we cooperate with him in bringing about the kingdom of God. These choices are life-giving for us and for others.

Fr. Jonathon

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, Pat Matfin and Mary McLaren.

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

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER

Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention for October:

For the Church: Let us that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

During Ordinary Time (Autumn)

We are asked to pray for these intentions: Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, The Harvest, The fruits of Human Labour, Justice and Peace in the World, Victims of War, Young People & Prisoners.

NEWS FROM OUR PARISHES, PARTNERSHIP AND VICARIATE

WE KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

We keep in our prayers Albie James who was baptised this weekend at St. Anthony's. We continue to pray for all 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 those who have died recently, along with those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THIS SUNDAY - HARVEST FESTIVAL & SCHOOL TAKEOVER

This Weekend we will be giving thanks to God for the Harvest. Therefore, we will be having a special collection of items that we can then donate to our local foodbanks. If you are able to contribute to this collection, please place the items in the boxes in our church porches. We will also be blessed by the contribution that our parish schools will make to the celebration of Mass. They will be leading us in our Music and Readings for these Masses.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

On Tuesday we celebrate the Parish Feast Day of St Therese. To mark the Patronal Feast we will be having a Quiz Night in the Parish Hall after Mass from 7.15pm - 9.00pm. The Quiz will be based on the TV show 1% Club, which will test your general knowledge and logical thinking. Tickets are priced at £5 each which will include a Hog Roast and entry to the Quiz. Please feel free to bring your own drinks. Tickets are available at the back of our churches at the end of masses.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you are looking to get your Child Baptised, you should collect a Baptism Application Form from Fr. Jonathon after Sunday Mass. Please remember that one parent must be a Catholic and that you should be living or worshipping within the parish boundaries. The next preparation meetings will take place in November.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION COURSE 2024/25

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place this academic year for all in Year 9 and above who wish to receive this Sacrament. This preparation will be done on a partnership-wide basis with sessions taking place at St. Teresa's, Heaton on a Tuesday evening (6.45-8.15pm). If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming year, please speak to your parish priests to collect a expression of interest form.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC - RCIA

The 'Journey In Faith' course will begin again on the 29th October, for those who are considering becoming a Catholic or who would like to deepen their knowledge of the faith. If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic, or you are a Catholic who hasn't yet been confirmed, please speak to Fr Jonathon to register your interest in joining the programme. The programme will take place fortnightly on a Tuesday Evening from 6.45pm.

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!

CAR PARKING AT ST. ANTHONY'S

From Monday 9 September until the end of October, St Anthony's day centre will be having extensive works carried out. In order for these works to be carried out safely, there will be no car parking spaces available in the car park. The car park gates will be locked on a Saturday Evening, so if you are walking to Church, please could do not enter through the car park. All parishioners should used the entrance on Philipson Street when attending St Anthony's Church.

RAVENSWOOD CHOIR CONCERT

The Ravenswood Choir will be coming along to host a concert for the parishes on Friday 25th October at 7.00pm at St Teresa's, Heaton. We will be using this opportunity to raise much needed funds for two local charities, The SVP at Byker Bridge and St Oswald's Hospice. Tickets will be available next weekend priced at £5. Please do put this in your diaries and come along to enjoy a fabulous evening.

SUNDAY EVENING VESPERS & BENEDICTION

Every Sunday at 5.00pm at St. Teresa's we have Sung Vespers and Benediction. 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.

YOUNG ADULT PRAYER GROUP

The next meeting of the Young Adult Prayer Group will take place on Thursday 31st October at 7.00pm at St. Teresa's Church. The Group is primarily to allow those who are 18-35 to come together for a time of prayer, discussion and social time. Please come along if you are available.

LONG TERM ILLNESS AND THE HOUSEBOUND

Many parishioners require our prayers of support as they battle against their illness or loneliness and may not be able to attend Mass. If you know of anyone who could benefit from a home visit please let Fr Jonathon know. We would also like to update the list of names on our newsletter who ask for our prayers. If you are sick and would like to be included in the parish prayer list please let the parish office know.

NEWS FROM OUR DIOCESE & THE WIDER CHURCH

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?

The Vocations Team extends an invitation to men aged 18+, who think God might be calling them to serve in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle as a Priest, are invited to explore their vocation with the Diocesan Priestly Vocations Team. The evenings will take place at St Joseph's Church, Thorneyholme Terrace, Stanley on: Tuesday 1st October, Tuesday 5th November, Tuesday 3rd December. These Meetings take place each month (except August) between 6pm and 8pm.

DIOCESAN CHOIR NEEDS YOU!!

Your Diocesan Choir needs YOU! We are looking for new members to join our existing singers – sopranos altos, tenors and bass, all ages, all levels of experience and from all corners of the Diocese are welcome to come along and praise God in one of the best ways possible. We sing at Diocesan events at St Mary's Cathedral (ordinations, Chrism Mass, Marriage Mass, Healing Mass, and other special events) and perform at various venues at Christmas. Come along and join our friendly group when we rehearse on Thursday evenings at St Bede's Church, Jarrow from 7.00 – 8.30pm. and be part of something rewarding and joyous! For more information, please email Mary Frain at hndiocesechoir@outlook.com.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION LEADERS

Are you able to volunteer as a Marriage Preparation Course Facilitator? Are you a confident communicator? Would you like to help couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage? Marriage Care is looking for volunteer couples and individuals who would like to train with them in this exciting role. For more information, please contact Moira Graham at marriagecare.tyneside@gmail.com

FLAME 2025

Flame 2025 takes place on Saturday 15th March. The theme is 'UNSTOPPABLE. FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE'. It is open to anyone from school year 9 to University/young adult age. Under 18s must be part of an organised group. Two years ago, over 700 young people from our Diocese travelled to Wembley Arena for this national Catholic youth gathering. Once again YMT is hoping to take a large number of young people (up to 1,000 including accompanying adults). COST: £45 per person (includes return rail travel, Wembley ticket and London travel card). If you would like to attend Flame 2025, please speak to Fr Jonathon or to the chaplaincy team at your school or university.

EMMANUEL CHARISMATIC COMMUNITY

The Emmanuel Catholic Charismatic community invites you to a day of renewal with the internationally renowned speaker Michelle Moran. This day will take place at St. Mary's High School on Saturday 12th October between 10.30am & 4pm. For further information please email Pat Kennedy on pat.kennedy42@icloud.com or Emmanuel Team on 07546302832

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY 2025

CAFOD's Family Fast Day is marked on Friday 4th October. Daniel, a young man in Democratic Republic of the Congo, is carving a better future for his family with carpentry skills he learned in a CAFOD-funded training centre. Give to CAFOD today and you'll fund training, tools, equipment and safe spaces so more people like Daniel can learn new skills and fulfil their God-given potential. Use the envelope in church or give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope.