

**Apostleship of the Sea: Annual Day of Prayer & Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne. Saturday 2nd June.** A peaceful day of Prayer and Reflection with an opportunity to pray for seafarers. Celtic Prayer on the beach at 11am. Mass at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin at 2pm. Safe crossing times 8.55am to 4.14pm. For further information please tel. 07906 212 426. Everyone very welcome.

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**Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle Pilgrimage to Lourdes ~ 27th July to 3rd August. Experienced adult helpers are needed** for our 2018 Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Could you devote one week to come on the Pilgrimage and help look after our sick and elderly pilgrims who need care? We urgently need more adult helpers. Registration forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage website: [www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk)

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**The Sixth Diocesan Festival takes place on Saturday 23rd to Sunday 24th June** at the Emmaus Youth Village in Consett. This year's theme is **'Encounter'** and it includes activities for families, Mass, Music, Ceilidh and much more. £20 per person (inc. both days). £5 for Sunday only, under 18's free. It is an opportunity for our whole Diocesan family to come together to celebrate and to be encouraged in our faith offering inspiring speakers for adults as well as activities for young people and children. Please tel. 01207 592244 for a booking form, please book by 26th May

#### Eucharistic Ministers 3rd June

Christine Pope, Rosanne Delplanque  
Michael Toole, Chris Wilson

#### Ministers of the Word 3rd June

Patricia & Terry Egerton

#### Home Communion 3rd / 4th June

Josie Smith, Edna Early  
Christine Pope, Manfred Engel

#### Youth Group Rota

**Friday 1st June ~ Closed For Holi-**  
days

**Church Cleaning ~ Week Beg.**  
28th May - Team 3

**Bidding Prayer Rota ~ June**  
Paul Diggins

## DANCE NIGHT

**SATURDAY 2nd JUNE**  
**Parish Centre 7.30 - 11.00pm**

Sequence, Disco, Line  
Dancing. Bring your own  
food & drink. Raffle.  
Admission £2, pay at  
interval. For more details  
contact: Bernard or Mick on 01642  
653698 or 01642 884119



**Everybody welcome** to tea  
and coffee in the Parish Centre  
after Mass

#### GENERAL ENQUIRIES AND CHURCH BOOKINGS

Please contact Kathryn Wood in the  
Parish Office Tel. (01642) 580171



27th May 2018

**St. Patrick's R.C. Church**  
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The Trinity tells us about the inner life of God, the intimate love and communion that is constantly flowing between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God is far from an isolated being or uninvolved deity, His very existence has to do with relationships. If it is God's nature to share himself, and if we are created in his image and likeness, it follows that we too are meant to share our lives with each other. As Paul reminds us, we are the body of Christ, and a body is not a single part, but many. We were made to be in communion with one another, joining together to build the kingdom and to proclaim the Gospel to all of creation. The Trinity is more than just a model for togetherness, it also gives us the power to live it. We really can love one another as fully as Jesus loves us if we draw from the love of God that has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit. Jesus promises that as we deepen our relationship with one another, our lives will start to reflect the very life of the Trinity, and that's how we can experience the joy we are meant to know as Christians.

*Glorious Trinity, Make your presence known in this place, through our worship, our prayer, the reading of your Word. Father, Son, Holy Spirit, within whose unity lies all that is you, perfect love, justice, peace and power. As we gather here today, your body, your church throughout this world, fill our outstretched hearts with your spirit, encircle us with your love. Make yourself known to us in new ways, challenging ways. Empower us, Inspire us, Glorious Trinity!*

**The Lay Training Fund has so far raised £257.11.** The collection remains open until 17th June for Private and Group donations. Please place any donations in a plain envelope marked 'Lay Training Fund' and place in the Sunday collections, or hand to Martin Driffield. Thank you.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**Weekdays at 7am with the Divine Mercy**


Jesus, each time I look at the Sacred Host send a ray of divine light into my soul, that I may better know you and myself.



## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY . . . Pg. 83

27	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
28	Monday	9.15am	Josie Murphy
29	Tuesday		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
30	Wednesday		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
31	Thursday <i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	6.30pm	SVP Rosary ~ All Welcome
1	Friday <i>St Justin</i>		Andrew Brydon ~ For Healing
2	Saturday	9.15am 9.45 - 10.15am	Special Intention Sacrament of Confession

## The Body and Blood of Christ . . . Pg. 85

3	Sunday	9.00am	Peter Crooks
		Riska Okninski, Mary Douglas, Monica McShane, Anne Yale, Billy McGuinness, Pat Jackson, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning (nee Mockler), Christopher Brown, Rosie Owens, Joan Kent, Rachel Cole, Andrew Brydon	
<b>ANNIVERSARIES:</b>		Josephine Hiles, Angela Blowman, Joan Anderson, Ronald Leeming, Kathleen Cooper	
<b>MASS ATTENDANCE:</b>		20th May . . . 209	
<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTION:</b>		20th May . . . £392.00 plus weekly standing orders which currently average £293.25 per week.	

**Please keep the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, and their families, in your prayers.**

*Be with our children as they prepare to encounter you more deeply in the celebration of the Eucharist. For the bread that gives everlasting life so that we can love God with all our strength, we thank you Lord. For the wine that gives everlasting joy and strength, we thank you Lord. Amen.*

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**At Mass next weekend, The Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ,** you will all be invited to renew your commitment to serve the Parish.

*Be our guest*

**Do you know someone over 75 who lives alone and finds it difficult to get out and about?** If so, the Stockton Branch of



Contact the Elderly might be just the tonic and currently have vacancies. Our group organises monthly Sunday afternoon Tea Parties for small groups of older people, offering a regular and vital friendship link every month. Transport is provided and the service is free.

If you know someone who might benefit, you can refer them by contacting the Stockton Group Co-Ordinator, Jan Cawood, on tel. 01642 804129. Alternatively please call Freephone tel. 0800716543 or apply online [www.contact-the-elderly.org.uk](http://www.contact-the-elderly.org.uk) or contact [Valerie.walker@contact-the-elderly.org.uk](mailto:Valerie.walker@contact-the-elderly.org.uk)

## VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Lord our God, loving Father, Mary went with haste to visit her cousin Elizabeth in her hour of need. May we too rejoice in the Lord when we can hurry to see people to bring them the Lord as we share in their needs and their joys. With Mary may we become a blessing to them. Amen.

## PARISH HALL BOOKINGS

**With immediate effect,** all future bookings for the Parish Hall will be handled by Marie Davis, who can be contacted on 01642 974051. Please note, however, that bookings for children's parties remain strictly limited to those who know a key holder for the Hall, due to a shortage of volunteers to help run the activities in the Hall.

## USHAW 450th Anniversary Flower Festival . . . 13th to 17th June, 11.00am - 5.00pm.



Visit Ushaw for amazing displays in its glorious settings, telling the story of Ushaw and its predecessor, Douai. Over 30 talented flower arranging groups are coming together. Why not bring a group and take afternoon tea at the same time? Day passes are £5 per person but this will then entitle you to free admission to Ushaw for the next twelve months. Visit the website to book online or call 0191 373 8500.

Other things happening at Ushaw. 3rd June, 2pm - Corpus Christi Procession (Café open from 1.00pm): 7th June, 7.30pm - Vivaldi/Faure Ushaw Chapel Choir.

**The Mission Appeal for St Francis Xavier Lay Mission Society raised £678.09. Thank you all.**

**Visit the Parish Shop after Mass** First Holy Communion gifts Cards, and Rosaries.