

MASS/SERVICE TIMES and INTENTIONS
18th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B–5th August 2018

	<u>English Martyrs and Ss. Peter & Paul's</u>		<u>St. Bede's</u>		<u>St. Joseph's</u>	
Sat 4th	Vigil 6:00pm	Andrew Littlebury RIP	Vigil 4:30pm	Sarah-Ellen Stainsby	9:15am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Sun 5th					10.30am	Tom Cusack RIP (LKG)
Mon 6th					9.15am	Dennis Timney RIP
Tues 7th			9.15am	Holy Souls	6.30pm	Pat Chapman RIP (SVP)
Wed 8th	9:30am	Nancy Rogers RIP				
Thurs 9th					9.15am	Joan Armstrong RIP
Fri 10th	6:30pm	Emma & Peter Burke RIP			9:45am	REQUIEM MASS Jack Robson RIP
Sat 11th	Vigil 6:00pm	Vincent Heal RIP (WH)	Vigil 4:30pm	Shelagh & George Wigham 90 th Birthdays	9:15am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Sun 12th					10.30am	Mrs Elsie Friend RIP

Exposition this Week

St. Joseph's: **Thurs** 2:00pm – 7:30 pm **Fri** 8:00 am - 9:00 am **Sat** 9:45am - 10:30 am

Feast Days this Week: **Monday** – The Transfiguration of the Lord

Tuesday – St. Sixtus II Pp and Companions MM or St. Cajetan P

Wednesday – St. Dominic **Thursday** – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross V, M

Friday – St. Laurence, Deacon, M **Saturday** – St. Clare of Assisi V

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday St. Joseph's: after Mass until 10:30 and 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Friday English Martyrs and Ss. Peter & Paul's: 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Saturday St. Bede's: 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

WEEKLY GATHERINGS

Saturday: Little Church, children's liturgy 6.00pm English Martyrs & Ss. Peter & Paul's Hall

Sunday: Tea and Coffee is served in St. Joseph's Thornton Hall after Mass

Monday: Mother and Toddler Group meet 9:15 am - 11:00 am in the Thornton Hall (*term time only*)

Tuesday: Friendship Group meets 10.30am – 12:00 noon in the Thornton Hall

Wednesday: Tea & Coffee will be served in English Martyrs & Ss. Peter & Paul's Hall after Mass/
Divine Will Prayer Group meets 7:00 pm in St. Joseph's Thornton Hall

Bulletin Items: If you would like a notice put in the next bulletin, please email parishnewsletterstockton@gmail.com by **Wednesday evening** at the latest. Alternatively, post through the letterbox at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's presbytery, or put in the RED FOLDER in St Joseph's porch (by 10:00am Wed).

Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

HILDA PARTNERSHIP



English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's



St. Bede's



St. Joseph's

PARISHES NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr. Jeffrey Dodds

Deacons: Jeff Parkes, Paul Hargreaves

Retired Priests: Fr. Denis O'Mahony, Fr. Pat McKenna

Enquiries to Parish Office: Tel. 01642 806469

Parish website: www.parishfamilystockton.org.uk

Diocesan website: www.rcdhn.org.uk

Parish e-mail address: parishfamilystockton@gmail.com

English Martyrs and Ss. Peter and Paul's Hall Bookings: Tel: 01642 806469

St. Joseph's Thornton Hall Bookings: Tel: 01642 657436

Sunday 5th August 2018 – 18th Sunday of Year B

Hospital On-Call Priest:

If you or a relative goes into hospital and you need to contact a priest for an emergency visit (the Anointing of the Sick), please telephone the hospital switchboard on 01642 617617 and ask them to bleep the on-call Catholic Priest. An on-call priest from within the Partnership area is available 7 days a week.

Mass Intentions:

Holy Mass can be celebrated for many reasons – the death of a loved one, for someone who is sick, an anniversary, a birthday or in thanksgiving for a favour received from God. Please write clearly your Intention for a Mass on an envelope with an offering inside together with the name of the church where you would like it celebrated. If you have a date in mind for the Holy Mass, please indicate this and every effort will be made to accommodate this request. Giving early notice as soon as possible would be a great help.

The Seven Corporal Works of Mercy:


There are seven **Corporal Works of Mercy** and one of these is **TO BURY THE DEAD**. It is important that we as a community ensure that those who have died have a decent funeral; whilst we may not know the person who has died, their journey towards Heaven will be eased greatly by your prayerful presence at their funeral. There are also seven **Spiritual Works of Mercy**, one of which is to pray for the dead. *Please try your best to attend funerals so that the deceased's soul will benefit and to give comfort, simply by your presence, to their family and friends.*

Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions for August:

Universal: The treasure of Families. That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER: Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family who are ill.



 Please pray for JACK ROBSON who has recently died and whose Requiem Mass will be held on Friday 10th August at St Joseph's Church, and for all who have recently died. May they rest in peace. Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUGUST	
SUN 5	FIRST SUNDAY DEVOTIONS: at St Joseph's Sunday 5 August at 4.00pm.
TUES 7	Theotokos Prayer Group: 7.30 pm at St Mary's. All welcome.
WED 8	St. Bede's Wednesday Afternoon Club will be held this week, 8 th August in the Sharratt Room from 2 – 4.00pm. Enjoy a tea/coffee, a chat and a game of bingo. Everybody welcome.
SUN 19	Holy Hikers: Via Middleton one Row (with vintage bus) Coach will leave at 9:45 from St Joseph's Norton.
SUN 26	Fr Vincent's Family Friendly, Free, Fun Night: Sunday 26 August, 7.00pm – 10.00pm, Thornton Hall at St Joseph's You are cordially invited to an evening of music, party games, quiz, bingo with a twist, tombola etc. Fun for all ages. Shared table and BYOD. Let's show Fr Vincent how we can let our hair down and have some fun together. If you have a prize for the tombola or would like to "do a turn" that's great. Please let us know if you plan to come along so that we can get things organised. Contact Colette 07849 712694

GENERAL INFORMATION

Medjugorje Pilgrimage: A 7-night pilgrimage package from Newcastle **19-26 September** £589. Please see poster and for more information contact Marie Bedingfield 07544540464.

Walsingham Pilgrimage: Everyone enjoyed the weekend. It was very prayerful with excellent weather. Pat and Mary would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make this a successful pilgrimage. We look forward to next year's Pilgrimage which will be Friday June 14th to Sunday 16th June 2019.

200 Club at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Church: There are still numbers available. See Linda Wallace at the back of Church.

Days of Reflection & New Diocesan Courses: Please see the notice board for a number of new courses and days of reflection which is being circulated via Bishop's House. Early booking is recommended as some of the courses / days have limited places.

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Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:
Property Review Co-ordinator, full-time, 18 month fixed term contract. Closing date: 26 August.
Property Surveyor, full-time, initial 3 month temporary contract. Closing date: 16 August.
Housekeeper, St Joseph's, Birtley 6 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. Closing date: 10 August.
For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us on 0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

Medjugore Retreat: Fr. Jeff invites you to join him at Minsteracres for a Medjugore Weekend Retreat starting **Friday 12th October** at 7:00 pm until Sunday 14th October 4:00 pm. This promises to be a prayerful and peaceful experience with plenty of scope for walking around and enjoying the beautiful, quiet grounds surrounding Minsteracres. Further details are on the booking forms at the back of church which you should complete as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Cost is £130 per person with a £25 registration fee payable and the balance of £105 will be collected at Minsteracres. Further details from Fr. Jeff. For bookings please contact Marian Fletcher on 0191 417 4413.

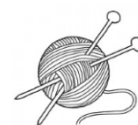
Holy Island Pilgrimage with Churches Together in Billingham: You are welcome to join in this annual Pilgrimage to Holy Island on Saturday 1st September. Coach leaves St. Cuthbert's on Billingham Green at 9:00 am. Cost is £13 adults and £7 children. Please contact Jean on 01642 555133 for further information and booking.

FR. VINCENT will be with us during the month of August. Father is looking forward to catching up with parishioners in all three parishes. Please pray for him and his mission.

Holy Family India Project: Donations from English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Wednesday Coffee Morning after Mass raised £ 25.20. Thank you.

Food Bank at St. Michael's Imperial Avenue: A box has been placed in the porch at St. Joseph's so that you can help those who are in need in our area. Non-perishable items only please, to include the following: Tins (fruit, veg, custard, rice pudding, pies, meat), cereal, toiletries (Toilet rolls, feminine and male hygiene packs, razors, shaving foam, deodorant, shower gel, hair shampoo and conditioner, toothbrushes adults and children), Cuppa soups, pasta and rice, washing up powder, washing up liquid, UHT milk, tissues. '*Hunger is not just a Third World Problem*'. Thank you for your generosity.

Global Healing: 1st September 2018 is "Creation Day". The Pope wants to make the whole world aware of the increasing damage we are inflicting on our environment. CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) have produced a film called "Global Healing" and this will be launched on 1st September 2018. Further details to follow.



Wanted Knitting Wool and Soap: Suitable wool for the knitting of baby clothes and soap are required for the Congolese people. Please note this is an on-going plea. These essential commodities are very precious to the people of the Congo. Please leave any donations at the back of St. Bede's church or see Rhoda. Your donated gifts really do help these unfortunate people and a big thank you in advance for your generosity in this matter.



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Jamie's Paws for Thought: By these methods we may learn wisdom: - first by reflection which is the noblest; second by imitation, which is the easiest; and third by experience which is the bitterest. **Confucius.**