

MASS/SERVICE TIMES and INTENTIONS
21st Sunday Ordinary Time Year B – 26th August 2018

| | <u>English Martyrs and Ss. Peter & Paul's</u> | | <u>St. Bede's</u> | | <u>St. Joseph's</u> | |
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| Sat 25th | Vigil 6:00pm | Richard H Hunter RIP | Vigil 4:30pm | People of the Parish | 9:15am | Service of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Sun 26th | | | | | 10.30am | Tom & Mary Cusack RIP |
| Mon 27th | | | | | 9.15am | Mary O'Malley RIP |
| Tues 28th | | | 9.15am | Priest's Intention | 6:30pm | Roy Todd RIP (SVP) |
| Wed 29th | 9:30am | Joe Bygroves (PB) | | | 11:30am | REQUIEM MASS Patrick Thompson RIP |
| Thurs 30th | | | | | 9.15am | Pat Chapman RIP (MB) |
| Fri 31st | 6:30pm | Deceased Members Watson Family | 9.15am | Holy Souls | | |
| Sat 1st | Vigil 6:00pm | John Neylan RIP (PN) | Vigil 4:30pm | Maurice Milburn | 9:15am | Service of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Sun 2nd | | | | | 10.30am | Paul Conway 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** – St Monica **Tuesday** – St. Augustine of Hippo Bp D

Wednesday – The Passion of John the Baptist **Thursday** – Ss Margaret Clitherow, Ann Line, Margaret Ward MM **Friday** – St. Aidan and the Saints of Lindisfarne

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday St. Joseph's: after Mass until 10:30 and **6:00 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 6.00 pm 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 10.30 am – 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 and Paul's



St. Bede's



St. Joseph's

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr. Jeffrey Dodds

Deacons: Jeff Parkes, Paul Hargreaves

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

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

Sunday 26th August 2018 – 21st Sunday of Year B

Official family prayer for world meeting of families 2018

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters
in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name].

Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope,

Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for
the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord, **Amen**

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, father and protector,
pray for us.
Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.

For further details, visit:
www.worldmeeting2018.ie



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 Margaret French, Patrick Thompson and all those who have recently died. May they rest in peace. Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| August | |
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| SUN 26 | <p>Rosary of Intercession for Priests: Please note that this will not be on today.</p> <p>Fr Vincent's Family Friendly, Free, Fun Night: 7pm - 10pm, in the Thornton Hall at St Joseph's. An evening of music, party games, quiz, bingo, 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</p> <p>Divine Mercy: 7:15pm in the Crèche at St Patricks Church. <i>A short reflection on the Eucharist and Adoration with Bishop Barro (keynote speaker at the Liverpool Eucharistic Conference). Followed by The sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.</i></p> |
| TUES 28 | <p>Theotokos Prayer Group: 7.30 pm at St Mary's. All welcome.</p> |
| WED 29 | <p>'Walk Down Memory Lane' coffee afternoon: between 1pm and 3pm in The Forge on Norton Green. These events are not just for those directly affected by dementia but for anyone who would enjoy reminiscing in a friendly environment with a cup of tea and a piece of cake.</p> |
| September | |
| SAT 1 | <p>Holy Island Pilgrimage with Churches Together in Billingham: You are most welcome to join in this annual Pilgrimage to Holy Island. The coach leaves St. Cuthbert's on Billingham Green at 9am. Cost is £13 adults and £7 children. Please contact Jean on 01642 555133 for further information and booking.</p> <p>Creation Day: 1st September has been designated as Creation Day when we are asked to pray for our world and for the care of creation. For more info visit: https://catholicclimatemovement.global/world-day-of-prayer/</p> |

| September | |
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| FRI 7 | <p>St. Bede's Coffee Evening / Bingo: at 7pm Tickets are £1 each and will be available from Rhoda at the back of church. We would be grateful for donations of raffle prizes for the event – Thank you!</p> |
| SAT 8 | <p>St. Mary's Old Girls Reunion: at 7pm in St. Patrick's Parish Centre. Please come and join us. For more information, ring Barbara Critchley on 01642 584666.</p> |
| MON 10 | <p>Inner Healing Prayer Group: Our meetings resume at 7:30pm - 9pm in St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome. Information from 01642 558447.</p> |
| WED 19 | <p>Medjugorje Pilgrimage: A 7 night pilgrimage package from Newcastle 19th-26th Sept £589. Please see poster and for more information contact Marie Bedingfield 07544 540464.</p> |
| | <p>Apostleship of the Sea: invites you to a Mass in honour of their patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come and pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers at 12noon in St Bede's Church, 10 Westoe Rd, South Shields NE33 4LZ. Bishop Seamus Cunningham will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email to salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk or www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk</p> |
| SAT 29 | <p>Partnership Ministry Morning: 9.30am until 1pm in English Martyrs Sixth Form College, Hartlepool. A chance for those involved in various ministries to renew their practice and understanding. This year Kathryn Turner will lead us using the Exhortation of Pope Francis called 'Gaudete et Exsultate': 'Rejoice and Be Glad' subtitle "On the Call to Holiness in today's world". It is an excellent document and provides a great source for anyone involved in ministry. Further details will follow.</p> |

GENERAL INFORMATION

Church Retiring Collection: This week - Home Mission Sunday. Thank you for all you do to support our charities.



Congratulations to Sarah Stokes and Lee Cole who were married in English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul on Saturday. We pray that God will bless them abundantly in the years ahead.

Thank you: Elizabeth Flynn and Pat McLoughlin would like to thank the Parish Family for sending them to Lourdes. They had a very spiritual and enjoyable time. A Mass of thanksgiving will be offered for the Parish.



Partnership Ministry Morning: Volunteers are needed to lead discussion groups at the Partnership Ministry Morning on Saturday 29th September. If you would like to help, please contact the Parish Office on 01642 806469. Training will be given.

Journey in Faith 2018: Have you ever wanted to know more about the Catholic Faith? Are you searching for greater meaning in your life? Have you ever thought of becoming a Catholic? Are you already a Catholic but would like to deepen your faith as you walk with others? The new sessions of our parish Journey in Faith will begin on **Saturday 22nd September at 2pm in St Joseph's Thornton Hall.** Sessions provide an opportunity to meet with others in a friendly group setting to explore the meaning of the Catholic Faith today. Interested? Please contact the Parish Office on **01642 806469** or email www.parihsfamilystockton@gmail.com



Kerala floods: an SVP appeal- As you've probably seen in the media, terrible floods have been taking place in Kerala in southern India. Hundreds of people have been killed and many more are missing; countless homes have been washed away, and the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Kerala is the most Christian state in India – it has more churches than any other region. The leading Catholic volunteering charity, the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), is very active there and they are doing great work helping

the victims of the flood in local communities. However, they desperately need funds. Please contribute to the SVP's Kerala appeal. To donate visit www.svp.org.uk, telephone **020 7703 3030** or send cheques made out to SVP (write 'Kerala appeal' on the back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers. Thank you for your continued support.

Fr. Vincent's Uganda Mission Fund: Donations: £10, 3 x £20, £25 and £100 Sincere thanks to the very generous donors. God bless.



Holy Family India Project: Donations from English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Wednesday Coffee Morning after Mass raised £23.10 - thank you!

Thank You from St. Bede's: Our appeal for wool has been so successful that we are now in a situation where we are unable to take any more. We would like to thank everyone who has donated any wool in the past – God bless.

Medjugore Retreat: Fr. Jeff invites you to join him at Minsteracres for a Medjugore Weekend Retreat starting **Friday 12th October at 7pm until Sunday 14th October 4pm.** 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.

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 Bishops' House. Early booking is recommended as some of the courses / days have limited places.

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Jamie's Paws for Thought:

Success seems to be largely a matter of hanging on when others have let go. *William Feather*