

**The Men's' Club Social
Events Resume on**

SATURDAY 29th SEPTEMBER

**We are pleased to present
local band**

'TUMBLEDOWN'

Tickets £4, please bring your own food and drink. Contact Ken Marr on 01642 602336



Further dates include Saturday 20th October when we welcome back (by popular demand) **The Persuaders**.

Paul Bentley and family would like to thank the Parish for their prayers and wishes following the death of Margaret. The family have been overwhelmed by all the messages of condolence and sympathy, these were much appreciated and a great comfort.

Thank you also to Father Cooper and everyone who contributed to and attended Margaret's Requiem Mass. Paul, Catherine, Helen and Clive are very grateful for the love and support shown to them at this sad time.



26th August 2018

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ST. MARY'S MAJOR STREET OLD GIRLS REUNION

For your Diary **Saturday 8th September**, at 7.00pm in St. Patrick's Parish Centre. Please bring own drinks and something for a shared supper table. Come along, a welcome awaits you all. For more information ring Barbara Critchley 01642 584666.

Eucharistic Ministers 2nd Sept.

George Hunton, Edna Early
Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

Ministers of the Word 2nd Sept.

Gwen Gallagher, Maurice Ward

Home Communion 1st / 2nd Sept.

Carole Stanmore, Christine Poole
Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

Youth Group Rota

Closed for Summer

Church Cleaning ~ Week Beg.
27th August - Team 1

Bidding Prayer Rota ~ September
Maurice Ward

**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**



**Weekdays at 7am with
the Divine Mercy**

When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now. (Mother Teresa)



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

As we listen to the Gospel today we are challenged to make a personal decision about walking with the Lord, our God. Jesus wants us to look again at our relationship with Him and choose to follow Him more closely. At times when we come to the crossroad of life, we are confused about which way forward. The truth is that these crossroads are moments in our life when we need to make choices that will make or mar our future; and decisions that will affect and shape our lives with God and others. What we do in love for others comes from the deepest part of life. We need to fill our lives with Christ to be able to share this love in big and small ways.



Lord, give us the grace to withdraw, from time to time, to the depths of ourselves. Only if we go to the level of the spirit can we really live. We pray for support and strength in our following of you. Amen.



DIVINE MERCY . . . THIS SUNDAY at 7.15pm in the Crèche at St Patrick's Church. A short reflection on the Eucharist and Adoration with Bishop Barron (keynote speaker at the Liverpool Eucharistic Conference.) Followed by The Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.



ATTENTION ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS


There is a safeguarding update at the back of Church. Please fill in the simple form (just one box to tick and signature etc.) and post it to the diocese in the enclosed SAE. Thank you

The Holy Father's Mission Intention for August . . . That any far reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

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26	Sunday	9.00am 7.15pm	Dennis Lindo Divine Mercy ~ Crèche
27	Monday St Monica	9.15am	Mary Ferguson
28	Tuesday St Augustine of Hippo		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
29	Wednesday The Passion of St John the Baptist		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
30	Thursday	6.30pm	SVP Rosary ~ All Welcome
31	Friday St Aidan		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
1	Saturday	9.15am 9.45 - 10.15am	Agnes Thompson & Elizabeth Luke Sacrament of Confession

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2	Sunday	9.00am	Des Morton
		Riska Okninski, 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, Paul Lindo	
ANNIVERSARIES:		Kathleen Dodds, Mary Ferguson, Margaret Beatrice Wilson, Thomas Byrne	
MASS ATTENDANCE:		19th August . . . 168	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION:		19th August . . . £408.36 plus weekly standing orders which currently average £293.25 per week.	

Prayer for Guidance for Youth following Exam Results

Lord, may Your words be like a lamp that lights my way. May Your love be like a compass that gives me direction. May Your peace be like a measure that guides my decisions. May Your words be in my mind, Your love guide my feet as I walk close to You at this time. Amen.

Mass times, Church Bulletins and other information for Stockton Parishes can be found on parishfamilystockton.org.uk



KERALA FLOODS : AN SVP APPEAL . . . As you have 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.

Donations placed in St. Patrick's SVP box will be sent to Karala and please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.

As the World Meeting of Families takes place in Dublin yesterday and today with Pope Francis we join in prayer for our own families

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.



INTERGENERATIONAL HEALING MASS - Tuesday 2nd October at 6.30pm. Celebrated by Fr. Jeffrey Dodds at **St. Joseph's Church, Norton.** Individual Prayer Ministry will be available after Mass if required. For more information please tel. 01642 558447. All Welcome.

Apostleship of the Sea invites you to a Mass in honour of our patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come and pray for the work of AoS and for seafarers on **Wednesday 19th September at 12 noon** in St. Bede's Church, 10 Westoe Rd., South Shields, NE33 4LZ. Bishop Seamus Cunningham will celebrate Mass, followed by a Reception. All invited.