MASS INTENTIONS and SERVICE TIMES
33rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C – 17th November 2019

	English Martyrs and Ss. Peter & Paul's		St. Bede's		St. Joseph's	
Sat 16th	**Vigil 6:00pm**	**Betty and Don Wallace RIP**	**Vigil 4:30pm**	**Eileen Pratt**	9:15am 9:45am 10:30am	Service of The Word and Holy Communion Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 17th		_____		_____	**10.30am**	**Maureen Deery RIP**
Mon 18th		_____		_____	9:15am	Service of The Word and Holy Communion
Tues 19th	**7:00pm**	**REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**	9:15am	**Healing for Sarah**		_____
Wed 20th	8:30am 9:15am 9:30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Mary Walker RIP (K&J)**		_____		_____
Thurs 21st		_____		_____	**10:00am** 2:00pm 7:30pm	**REQUIEM MASS Joe Ritchie RIP** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 22nd	5:15pm 6:15pm 6:30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Service of The Word and Holy Communion		_____	8:00am 9:00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 23rd	**Vigil 6:00pm**	**Gordon Todd RIP**	**Vigil 4:30pm**	**Esther Stainsby RIP**	9:15am 9:45am 10:30 am	Service of The Word and Holy Communion Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 24th		_____		_____	**10.30am**	**Thomas Carlin RIP**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Week

English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul ***Wed*** *8:30am – 9:15am* ***Fri*** *5:15pm – 6:15pm*
St. Joseph's: ***Thurs*** *2:00pm - 7:30pm* ***Fri*** *8:00am - 9:00am* ***Sat*** *9:45am - 10:30am*

Feast Days this Week:

Monday – Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul
Wednesday – St Edmund King M **Thursday** – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday – St Cecilia V M Saturday – St Clement I Pp M *or* St Columban Ab

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday St. Joseph's: after Mass until 10:30am
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

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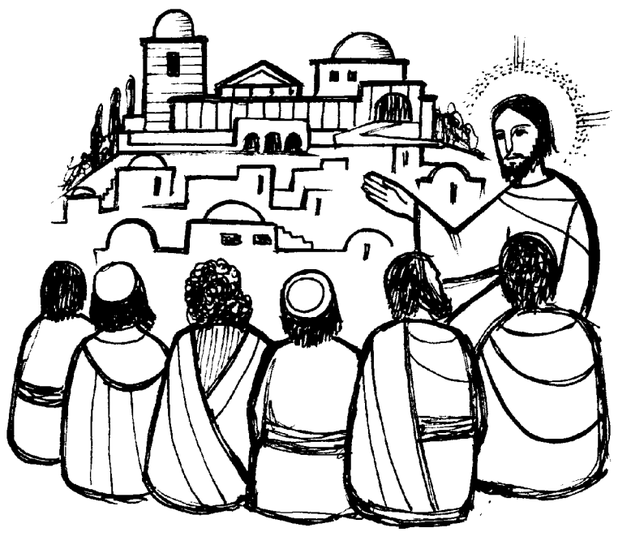

Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions for November:

Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East
That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

Sick and In Need Of Prayer: Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family who are ill.

Please pray for all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November				
MON 18	**Understanding the Scriptures** This week we will be hearing about 'From Egypt to Sinai and The Wandering in the Desert' in the Genesis to Jesus series. Learn the basic Catholic principles for reading Scripture and to survey the broad outlines of the books of the Bible and their place in the story of salvation. Join us in St Patricks parish hall at 7:00 pm		SAT 23	**Journey in Faith** The next session will be on Saturday 23rd November at 2.00pm in the Thornton Hall. *Please pray for those who are enquiring about our Faith and also those who are walking with them*
TUES 19	**Remembrance Service** Parishioners are invited to a Service of Remembrance for the relatives and friends of those who have died in our Parishes during the last twelve months. English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Church at 7:00pm.		TUES 26	**St. Bede's Parish Development Group** will meet on Tuesday, 26th November at 7:00pm in the Sharratt Room.
THURS 21	**SVP Food Hamper Fund Raiser Night** with Jeremy McMurray and the Rocket Orchestra plus guests at Billingham Catholic Club Thursday 21 November 7:30pm.		FRI 29	**St. Bede's Christmas Coffee Evening** at 7:00pm in the Sharratt Room. Tickets are £1 each and are available from Rhoda at the back of Church *Any donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated.*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Second Collection: There will be a retiring collection this weekend for the Clergy Training Fund. The collection will remain open until 24th November and there are envelopes in the porch for those who wish to Gift Aid.

Gluten-Free Altar Breads: Where parishioners or visitors need gluten-free Altar Breads, please inform a Sacristan who will supply the gluten-free Altar Bread. It is important that this is done before Mass begins. Thank you.

Funeral Collection: The collection for St Joseph's Parish funds in memory of Tommie Ansbro came to £254.69p. Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed.

Remembrance Service: Tuesday 19th November at English Martyrs & SS Peter & Pauls Church at 7:00pm: Memorial cards are available at the back of each Church for all parishioners who would like family or friends remembered at this time and these cards will be taken to the Altar to be blessed during the service. Relatives of the deceased will receive a personal letter of invitation from Fr. Jeff. Everyone is welcome to attend the service; it is an opportunity to remember our deceased family and friends.

The Northern Cross for November is on sale at £1. Look out for news and views from around the diocese.

Apostleship of the Sea: St. Bede's have a collection box at the back of Church for this amazing charity. All donations gratefully received.

Theotokos Prayer Group: meets on Tuesdays, at 7:30pm at St. Mary's. All welcome.

The God Who Speaks – The Year of the Word (1st December 2019 – 28th November 2020)

First Sunday of Advent 1st December 2019: To launch '*The God who Speaks - a Year of the Word*', Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer of the Church) will be held at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul, beginning at 4:30 pm followed by refreshments. This is a very good opportunity to begin this important year which celebrates God's Word so that we can deepen our knowledge of Christ.

Year of The Word: As part of the Year of The Word, Pauline Books & Media have produced an excellent book called Gospel Power 2020 to accompany readers through the Year of The Word. The book is supported by Archbishop McMahon of Liverpool. If you would like a copy, please write your name on the list at the back of church. The books will cost £5.50 each.

Grass and Garden Area at EMSPP Church
With the change in season to autumn and recent rains, the grass area by the front of EMSPP Church has become saturated. Unfortunately, some people have deliberately driven over the grass to park and to exit the parking area! Can I please remind those needing to park for Mass or activities in the hall to carefully stay on the tarmac driveway. Priority should always be given to cars for parishioners who are disabled and need assistance. The large car park by the shops should be where most parishioners leave their cars. Over the next few weeks plans will be made to erect some appropriate fencing by the grass area to prevent this problem occurring in the future. Fr Jeff.

Thank You All
I would like to thank all parishioners and clergy for their prayers and help while I've been poorly over the last few weeks. Your kindness has meant so much to me. You are all truly a wonderful parish family. Here's to a healthy time ahead. Fr Jeff.

English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Wednesday Coffee Morning after Mass: £30 collected from 6th November. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Uganda Mission Fund: Recent Donations: £10 and 2 x £20.Sincere thanks to the very generous donors. God bless you all.

Advent Walk with Me These popular booklets are now available through the Parish Office at £1 per copy. Please put your name on the sheet at back of church to secure your copy.

Job Opportunities: The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:
Head of Communications: We are looking for an experienced and enthusiastic individual to take responsibility for the delivery of our Communications Strategy. You will have experience of identifying the resources and infrastructure required to take this from concept through to implementation. This new senior role is an opportunity for someone to join the charity, establish a plan and identify the team to deliver the strategy.
Closing date for applications: 5pm on 18 November.
Parish Secretary: English Martyrs and Ss Peter and Paul, Roseworth, Stockton – 16 hours per week, 12-month fixed term contract. Closing date: 19 November.
For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

Could you make a Difference? We are currently looking for new volunteers to join the Independent Monitoring Board at HMP Holme House. You will help to monitor respect and fairness for people in custody. Closing date 24th November. Please see notice board for more information about this role or speak to Steve Wing (St Joseph's) about this and other volunteering opportunities.

Christmas Shopping Fair Trade Style: Great opportunities to buy a wide range of fair trade Christmas gifts, jewellery, toys, decorations, cards, foods and lots of other treats in the Fair Trade popup shop in the Dundas Arcade, Middlesbrough (same place as last year in the old Boyes premises). An Aladdin's Cave with many new products made by skilled artisans. Something for everyone.
The shop is open Monday – Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm until 21st December.
Also look out for the Fairtrade Popup stall at St Joseph's on Sunday 1st Dec, before Mass and afterwards until 1.00pm.
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Jamie's *Paws* for Thought: The trees, the flowers, the plants grow in silence.
Silence gives us a new perspective. *St Teresa of Kolkata*