

MASS INTENTIONS and SERVICE TIMES
3rd Sunday Advent Year A – 15th December 2019

	<u>English Martyrs and Ss. Peter & Paul's</u>		<u>St. Bede's</u>		<u>St. Joseph's</u>	
Sat 14th	Vigil 6:00pm	Paul & Vinnie Debono RIP	Vigil 4:30pm	Healing (SO)	10:30am 9:45am 10:30 am	Maureen Deery RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 15th		_____	4:30 pm	Advent Holy Hour	10.30am	Michael Flynn RIP (EF)
Mon 16th		_____		_____	9:15am	Service of The Word and Holy Communion
Tues 17th		_____	9:15am	Special Intention for Mari Harwood (Cancer Treatment)	6:30pm	Service of The Word and Holy Communion
Wed 18th	8:30am 9:15am 12:00 Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament REQUIEM MASS Matthew Chipchase RIP		_____		_____
Thurs 19th	12:30pm	REQUIEM MASS Valerie Ellis RIP		_____	9:15am 2:00pm 7:30pm	Sylvia Daly RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 20th	5:15pm 6:15pm 6:30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Service of The Word and Holy Communion	9:15am	Intentions of Fr. Denis (BN)	8:00am 9:00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 21st	Vigil 6:00pm	Winnie and Bill Allinson (MG) RIP	Vigil 4:30pm	Mary Moore RIP	9:15am 9:45am 10:30 am	Service of The Word and Holy Communion Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 22nd	4:30 pm	Advent Holy Hour		_____	10.30am	Michael O'Brien 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 Day this Week:

Saturday – St Peter Canisius P, D

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

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

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

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

Third Sunday of Advent, Year A Sunday 15th December 2019


Rejoice!

HOLY HOUR

Sunday 15th December 4:30pm

at St Bede's

ALL WELCOME

Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions for December:

The Future of the Very Young

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritise the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.





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

Please pray for Matthew Chipchase and Valerie Ellis and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

TUES
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Nursing Home Prayer Services

a group from St Joseph's will visit **Roseworth Lodge Nursing Home** at 2:00pm and **Primrose Court Nursing Home, South Rd, Norton** at 3pm to sing Christmas Carols and pray with the residents and staff. If you would like to join us you will be made very welcome.

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Norton Village Carol Service

4pm on Redhouse Infant school field followed by refreshments in St Mary's Church. St Joseph's and all the Norton Churches will be represented. There will be a collection for our local foodbank. Everyone welcome.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

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 contact the Parish Office on 01642 806469. The books will cost £5.50 each.

ADVENT 2019

3rd Sunday 15th December

4:30pm Holy Hour at St. Bede's. Refreshments to follow.

Saturday 21st December

10:00am – 12:00 Noon **Sacrament of Reconciliation** at English Martyrs and Ss Peter Paul.

4th Sunday 22nd December

4:30pm Holy Hour at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul. Refreshments to follow.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve

Vigil 6:00pm English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul with Carols at 5:30pm

Vigil 8:00pm St. Bede's

Christmas Morning

9:30am St. Joseph's



Funeral Collection: The collection for Progressive Supranuclear Palsy in memory of Francis Monaghan came to £114.50p. Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed. God bless you all.

Advent Multicultural Mass: at English Martyrs and Ss. Peter and Paul on 23rd of December at 6pm. Inviting all individual/families to join in the offertory by offering toiletries or woolly hats and gloves in support of Apostleship of the Sea and/or Pyjamas to be shared to the homeless children.

St. Cuthbert's Care: This Advent we ask that you consider supporting our Red Van.

Over the last two years, our Red Van has delivered thousands of food parcels, good quality clothing and toys to some of the most-needy families and individuals in our Diocese. Your Advent Alms will help us to keep this essential service on the road. Thank you. *Moirra Ashman*

Thank you! Pat McLoughlin would like to thank the Parish Family for all the Masses and prayers offered and get well cards and flowers sent during her illness. She is now in remission. Thank you and God bless you all.

Boxing Day Dip Appeal: Fr Jeff has kindly agreed that HCPT Collection Buckets will be available after the Christmas Vigil Mass at English Martyrs & Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. A number of our parishioners will be bravely doing the Boxing Day Dip in the North Sea at Seaton Carew to raise funds for **HCPT Lourdes Group 527**, which takes pilgrims of all ages and abilities to HCPT Hosanna House Lourdes for a life-changing pilgrimage holiday. If you are interested in joining the dip, or would like a sponsor form, please contact Joan Rogers on 01642 886549 for details. **Please give generously to this amazing charity.**

The Norton Advent Trail windows are on display now until 31st December around Norton High Street. They have been prepared with the help of local schools and youth organisations including St Joseph's School. Followed in the correct order the trail unfolds the Nativity Story. Pick up a leaflet from the library and note answers to simple clues on each window to enter a prize draw. The final window will be unveiled in St Mary's Church following **Norton Village Community Carols** on Redhouse Infant school field Sunday 22nd December at 4:00pm.

Christmas Shopping FairTrade Style: Great opportunities to buy a wide range of Fairtrade Christmas gifts, jewellery, toys, decorations, cards, foods and lots of other treats in the Fairtrade 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.



Holy Family India Project: Donations from English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Wednesday Coffee morning raised **£27.00 4/12/19 plus anonymous donation of £30.** Everyone is welcome. Thank you.

Journey in Faith: The next session will be on **Saturday 11th January 2020** 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.

Admission Appeals Panel Members: The Diocesan Department for Education welcomes applications from Catholic persons willing to be considered as lay or non-lay members of appeal panels for Catholic school admissions. Application forms can be obtained from our Diocesan website www.edurcdhn.org.uk by emailing education@diocesehn.org.uk or by phone on 0191 2433313. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 21 January 2020.

S.V.P: Sudan Appeal: Once again we are appealing to your generosity to support the work of the SVP in helping the suffering people of Sudan and South Sudan and so we provide a description of the situation. The original country of Sudan split into these separate countries in 2011 after several years of Muslim-inspired violence. The northern section, which was called Sudan, is home to Arabic-speaking Muslim communities while the south has no dominant culture but after independence a power struggle there led to civil war on tribal lines. The result of these conflicts is over 2 million deaths and 4 million displaced with 100,000 children orphaned or abandoned. Those refugees who fled to the North have not been granted refugee status so get no help from official agencies but suffer discrimination.

This is the context in which the SVP now operates. We work mainly in the refugee camps in both countries providing baby-feeding stations, pre-school meals, medical help and fresh drinking water. We can only fund this work due to your generosity. Accordingly, all the money you give us between this Sunday and the end of the year will go to the Sudan (unless you specify otherwise).

Uganda Mission Fund- Fr Vincent Donations: Donations: £10, £20, £25 and £30. Thank you all very much!

News from Uganda: Fr. Vincent says when refugees from South Sudan or Congo arrive at the refugee camp they must register. Then they are given a small plot of land and a tarpaulin to build their own shelter. The tarpaulin is necessary to keep out the rain as there are no roofing materials available. Father provides them with maize and bean seeds to plant. The beans are ready for harvest first and the maize harvest comes at the end of December. Please continue to pray for Fr. Vincent and his people.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2020: The 2020 Pilgrimage to Walsingham will depart on Friday 29th May and return on Sunday 31st May. The costs of rooms are: £181 en-suite or £151 standard. £30 non-refundable deposit will secure your place. For further details please contact Mary on 07952 321396 or Pat on 01642 650904.

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Jamie's Paws for Thought: Do not think less of self, think of self less. *C.S. Lewis*

