

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday 28th March

Saturday Vigil Mass **6:00pm**

at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul

Sunday Morning Mass **10:30am**

at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul

Booking required for these Masses. Please ring or text 07716 944610

Maundy Thursday 1st April

Chrism Mass

Saint Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle LIVE-STREAMED 11.00am

To watch, visit: <http://www.stmaryscathedral.org.uk/>

Mass of the Last Supper

English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul **7:00 pm** Live-streamed

Booking required for this Mass. Please ring or text 07716 944610

Between **8:30pm and 9:30pm** there will be **live-streamed** prayerful mediation on the Passion of Jesus, led by the Filipino Community and friends.

Good Friday 2nd April

Celebration of the Passion at 3:00 pm

English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul (Live-streamed)

St Joseph's

St Bede's

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Easter Vigil 3rd April at 6:00pm

English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul (Live-streamed)

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Easter Sunday 4th April

Saint Bede's at **9:00 am**

Saint Joseph's at **10.30 am**

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Saint Joseph's

English Martyrs and Saints Peter & Paul

Saint Bede's



Welcome to our Parishes. Please use this booklet to help you prepare for the greatest celebration of the Church's Year at Easter.

Lenten Reflection

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. On this day the Church reminds us of our responsibilities: towards God, towards ourselves and towards others. Where are you in relation to the Lord? How does God figure in your life? Do you know what God is asking of you? Do you know what you want to do? Do you think about your relationships with other people: relations, friends, colleagues at work? How do you fit in at church in the Parish community?

It is good to think of these questions from time to time and during Lent, is an ideal time to reflect on your answers. Lent is a time to consider how we can improve or change, to give just a little extra whether in time or talents. We sometimes think of Lent as a time to give something up, but it is also a time to do something different. During Lent, we can think about God's love for us: do we ever think about how much God loves us even in our sinfulness? God wants us to be with Him and Lent is time to take steps - no matter how small - to return back to Him anew.

Jesus reminds us that we need to change in our hearts. Almsgiving, Fasting and Prayer are the three Pillars of Lent and when these are done from the heart, we can change and grow closer to one another and to God.

ASH WEDNESDAY 17th February

9:30am at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's

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Lenten Reflections

During Lent this year starting on Monday 22nd February, Fr Ollie **on Mondays at 6:30pm** and Deacon Paul **on Fridays at 6:30pm** will offer a pre-recorded reflection where we can pray together and ask God to help us to prepare to celebrate the Easter Mysteries – the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Please try to participate when you can.

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Scripture Group

Each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm you can meet Deacon Jeff and others on Zoom to pray with Scripture and unpack some of the mystery of the God who speaks.

Come along and join in, by sending an e-mail to: parishfamilyevent@gmail.com

A link to the meeting will be e-mailed back to you.

Please check the **Hexham & Newcastle Diocesan** website: www.rcdhn.org.uk for lots of excellent Lenten Resources.

Remember to look at **Wednesday Word** using this link:

www.wednesdayword.org

Virtual Stations of the Cross

Each week during Lent, Virtual Stations of the Cross will be available from either St Joseph's. St Bede's and English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Church. Further details to follow. Please note - Facebook link is <https://www.facebook.com/parishfamilystocktonRC/>

DURING LENT: PLEASE NOTE:

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 23rd March St Bede's 9:00am – 9:30am

**Wednesday 24th March English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's
9:00am – 9:30am**

Thursday 25th March St Joseph's 9:00am – 9:30am

**Each Friday English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's
5:30pm – 6:30pm**

Saturday 20th and 27th March St Joseph's 10:00am – 11:00am

**Each Saturday English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's
5:30pm – 6:00pm**

or by Appointment – call 01642 806469

The Three Pillars of Lent:

Almsgiving, Fasting and Prayer

Prayerfully use the **Lenten Prayer Diary** and choose a day, or two that you can dedicate time to offer the intention in:

1. **Prayer:** Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany or other devotions you prefer.
2. **Fasting:** Reduce the amount of food you eat on a particular day or give up a certain food. You could even try just eating bread and water for the day!
3. **Almsgiving:** Money saved by fasting can be put in an envelope marked 'Lenten Offering' and placed on the plate on Sundays. This money will be gathered from us all and given to a worthy charity (details to follow)