

**Times of Mass, Intentions and Services**  
**14th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B – 4th July 2021**

	<u>English Martyrs and Ss Peter &amp; Paul's</u>	<u>St Joseph's</u>	<u>St Bede's</u>	<u>Feast Days this week</u>
<b>Sat 3rd</b>	<b>6:00pm Live-streamed</b> Thanksgiving for Baby Thomas (TJW)	—	—	Sunday Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 4th</b>	—	<b>10:30am</b> Betty Butler RIP	<b>9:00am</b> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time
<b>Mon 5th</b>	—	—	—	St Anthony Zaccaria, <i>Priest</i>
<b>Tue 6th</b>	—	—	<b>9:30am</b> Burt Barnett RIP (TJW)	St Maria Goretti, <i>Virgin, Martyr</i>
<b>Wed 7th</b>	<u>First Holy Communion Mass</u> Please pray for the children and their families	—	—	—
<b>Thur 8th</b>	—	<b>9:30am</b> Pat Chapman RIP	—	—
<b>Fri 9th</b>	<b>6:30pm Live-streamed</b> Noel White RIP	—	—	St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions, <i>Martyrs</i>
<b>Sat 10th</b>	<b>6:00pm Live-streamed</b> Richard John Walburn RIP	—	—	Sunday Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 11th</b>	—	<b>10:30am</b> Catherine's Intentions (MMcV)	<b>9:00am</b> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

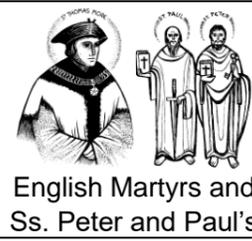
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b> St. Joseph's After 9:30am Mass	<b>Friday 9th July</b> EMSSPP Sanctuary 6:00pm – 6:30pm	<b>Saturday 10th July</b> EMSSPP Sanctuary 5:30pm – 6:00pm
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**Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469**

**If you would like to reserve a place at the Saturday Vigil Mass or the Sunday Morning Masses, please ring or text 07716 944610 by 7:30 pm on the Thursday. Please leave your name, contact number and the number of places requested; you will be informed if there is a place available for you by Friday evening.**

**Bulletin Items:** If you would like a notice included in the next bulletin, please email [parishnewsletterstockton@gmail.com](mailto:parishnewsletterstockton@gmail.com) by **Tuesday evening** at the latest. Alternatively, post through the letterbox at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's Presbytery, Redhill Road, Roseworth, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 9BY. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

**ST. HILDA PARTNERSHIP**



**PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time**  
**Year B – 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

<b>Clergy</b>	<b>Parish Priest:</b> Fr. Jeffrey Dodds <b>Assistant Priest:</b> Fr. Oliver Keyes <b>Deacons:</b> Jeffrey Parkes, Paul Hargreaves <b>Retired Priest:</b> Fr. Pat McKenna
<b>Parish Office</b>	<b>Hours:</b> Tuesday to Friday 10.00am till 2:00pm <b>Contact:</b> Gill Hall Tel. 01642 806469 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:parishfamilystockton@outlook.com">parishfamilystockton@outlook.com</a>
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Reflection on the Gospel for 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

It is not easy to be a prophet, especially close to home. The role of the prophet is to speak God's word to the people. Often those to whom God's word is addressed, are not ready to listen. God's word challenges and invites us to change; change, although it is one of the constants in life, is never easy. Both the prophet Ezekiel and Jesus struggle to carry out their mission. Jesus is faced with the question: 'Where did this man get all this?' The people of Nazareth knew Jesus, he was one of their boys, he had grown up in their midst, they knew his family and friends, who does he think he is now?

Prophets do not get their strength from the people they are called to preach to, but from God himself who calls them and in whose name they preach. The apostle Paul shares with the Corinthian Church that he had been given a 'thorn in the flesh' to stop him from boasting and to remind him that it is only by God's grace that he remains faithful to his mission. 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness!'

Are you ready to listen?

*Adapted from Joseph De Piro, MSSP*

## Parish News

### Sick and in Need of Prayer

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family who are ill.

### Recent Bereavements

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



**MARSHALLS:** We are still legally required to have Marshalls to supervise and guide our parishioners and to clean the church after Mass. Without more Marshalls, we will not be able to sustain this move to getting our parishes back to the new normal. May I ask that you to give some serious thought as to whether you would be able to volunteer as a Marshall, to enable these increased weekly Masses. Please let me know as soon as possible if you can. *Fr. Jeff*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES:

Please note that the First Holy Communion Masses are for the children and their invited guests only. Due to social distancing church capacity is limited and we need to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your understanding.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Marshalls are required to be in attendance when our churches are open. Without them we would not be able to open. The Marshalls are there to help and advise you:**

- ✓ You will be asked by the Marshall at the door for your name and contact telephone number to assist with the Test & Trace system. Your details will only be held for this purpose and for the time required by current Government guidance.
- ✓ Please sanitise your hands before you enter church.
- ✓ *A Marshall will advise you where you are to sit.*
- ✓ If you wish to light a candle, *please do so before you sit down.*
- ✓ Please do not block access to benches.
- ✓ Please remember to sanitise your hands before you leave church.
- ✓ Please leave church as soon as you have received Holy Communion and remember to adhere to Government guidelines when gathering outside church. Let's keep everyone safe. *Fr. Jeff*

**Fr. Jeff's Leaving Collection:** Envelopes are available – please pick one up after Mass if you would like to contribute. Please hand your envelope in by the end of July at the latest – thanks.

**BAPTISMS:** We are now in a position to recommence the Sacrament of Baptism. A limited number of dates and times are available. Please contact parishfamilystockton@outlook.com as soon as possible to secure a date. Thank you, Deacon Jeff.

**Priestly Ordination of Luke Wilkinson:** As you are aware, Luke's Priestly ordination took place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June. Your cards and a donation of £250 from our parish collections have been passed on to him. Fr Luke has been appointed as Assistant Priest at St. Mary's in Hexham and we wish him well in his new role. May God bless Luke now and for the future.

**Advance Notice:** There will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea on the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021. Thank you.

### Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) 2021-2022

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The CCRS course programme is now available for 2021-2022 and there is a short presentation shown on the Diocesan website: [www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses\\_ccrs.php](http://www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses_ccrs.php) If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email [education@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:education@diocesehn.org.uk)

**SPUC CLUB DRAW RESULT:** 20 June 2021.

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize:** No.6 Marie Joynes, **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** No.55 Ian Knox, **3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:** No.24 John Joynes

*Many thanks to all who support the Club Draw, your generosity is greatly appreciated.*

**SVP Update:** With the easing of restrictions now delayed until 19<sup>th</sup> July there is still some uncertainty about when Conference meetings and visits can resume. We will update you when we know more, in the meantime, if anyone is alone or housebound and wants someone to talk to please ring 07939 912354 and we can arrange a call. If you want to know more about the SVP and the work it does please call, speak to one of the members of the conference or visit the website at: [www.svp.org.uk](http://www.svp.org.uk)

**SPUC:** Lobbying face to face with your MP is the most effective form of lobbying. Now that is it possible to do so, SPUC is holding a **Mass lobby of MPs on Friday 16 July or Saturday 17 July 2021.** We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP, at the MP's constituency office, on one of these dates. We need to lobby MPs now to: **End DIY abortion** and **Protect vulnerable people from assisted suicide.** Please would you consider assisting? The more people do this, the more impact it will have!

**Thank You:** Sheila Langford would like to thank the Priests, Deacons, friends and Parishioners for their help, prayers and encouragement since her recent fall. Thankfully she is slowly recovering.

### Thank You

The Little Sisters of the Poor would like to thank everyone for supporting the recent Diocesan Church Collection in aid of St Joseph's Home (Newcastle). 'We are extremely grateful for the kindness shown to us. We ask God to bless and reward you and your families for all you have done to help us continue the work of Jeanne Jugan in caring for our elderly residents. Assuring you of our grateful prayers'. Mother Deirdre and The Community.

## Prayer and Liturgy News

### Fourteenth Sunday– Year B – 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021

#### First Reading

**Ezekiel 2:2-5**

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

#### Psalm:

**122(123)**

**Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.**

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes,  
you who dwell in the heavens;  
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves  
on the hand of their lords.

2. Like the eyes of a servant  
on the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes are on the Lord our God  
till he shows us his mercy.

3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

We are filled with contempt.

Indeed all too full is our soul

with the scorn of the rich,

with the proud man's disdain.

#### Second Reading

**2 Corinthians 12:7-10**

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

#### Gospel

**Mark 6:1-6**

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

**Spiritual Communion Prayer - My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as already being there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

## Worldwide Church News

### Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions for July: Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

**...and now for some Light Relief...**



**Jamie's 'Paws' for Thought:** Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.

*Mother Teresa.*