



## St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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In this Sunday's gospel Jesus, knowing the end is near, prays one final time for his followers. He prayed for their unity and that they would love each other. In his last prayer Jesus prayed that we would all be one.



*Lord Jesus, You are our Prince of Peace and you prayed for unity in the Body of Christ that we may be united in love just as you are united with the Father in love. Give us the desire to love one another as you have loved us and let the world know that we are Your disciples by our love for one another. Give us a hunger to live in union with each other and may we be united as one in the bond of peace and fellowship in the Spirit. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.*

**World Communication Sunday . .** Pope Francis has chosen the single word, "Listen!" as the theme for the 56th World Communications Day, which will be celebrated this Sunday. After the Message of 2021, which focused on 'going and seeing,' in his new Message for World Communications Day Pope Francis asks the world of communication to learn to *listen* again. The pandemic has affected and wounded everyone, and everyone needs to be heard and comforted. Listening is also fundamental for good information. The search for truth begins with listening and so does witnessing through the means of social communication. Every dialogue, every relationship begins with listening. Jesus himself asks us to pay attention to how we listen. To be able to truly listen requires courage, and a free and open heart, without prejudice. At this time when the whole Church is invited to listen in order to learn to be a Synodal Church, we are all invited to rediscover listening as essential for good communication.



*We pray for those called to communicate the Gospel. May they use wisely the technology at their disposal, so that all will hear the Word of God which is faithfully proclaimed. We pray for our young people, that in midst of the noise of their lives they may hear the still small voice of calm leading them to the wisdom of God. Amen.*

**Bishop Robert would like to invite you to a Mass to mark the 80th birthday of Bishop Seamus.** This will be on Thursday, 30th June at 12.05pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. All are most welcome to attend.

**Diocesan Corpus Christi Celebration ~ Sunday 19th June, 3pm, at Ushaw College.** There will be Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Robert. Refreshments will be served following the event or you can bring a picnic. Please visit the Diocesan website for more information and to book visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> June.



**DIARY DATE ~ The Visit of the Relics of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes ~** In the much anticipated national pilgrimage, we look forward to welcoming the relics of Saint Bernadette to St. Mary's Cathedral on 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> October.

<b>7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>			
29	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
30	Monday	9.15am	Thanksgiving (OP)
31	Tuesday <i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		
1	Wednesday <i>St Justin</i>		
2	Thursday	6.00pm	Holy Hour ~ Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
3	Friday <i>St Charles Lwanga and Companions</i>	9.15am	Living & Deceased Ladies of the Parish
4	Saturday	9.15am	Pat Jackson
<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>			
5	Sunday	9.00am	Ava Grace 
<b>Recently Deceased:</b>		Fr. Joseph Park ~ May he rest in peace. Amen	
<b>Anniversaries:</b>		Joan Anderson, Ronald Leeming, Kathleen Cooper, James Greenan	
		Billy McGuinness, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Mary Talbot, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Dave, Pauline Davies	



### **The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

On the Feast of Mary's visit with Elizabeth, we are reminded that you are a God of joy and that you always fulfil Your promises. I ask the Blessed Mother to intercede for me when I feel discouraged so that my soul may always magnify You, O Lord. May she remind me of Your promises and Your faithfulness when the difficulties of life cover me with darkness. Blessed Mary, pray for me. Amen.,

**Thanksgiving Mass for NHS Staff, Chaplains & Carers . .** Bishop Robert will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at 7pm on Thursday 14th July, the Feast of St Camillus, at the Cathedral. This Mass will be the opportunity to express the gratitude of the Diocese to medical, nursing and healthcare staff and chaplains as we continue to emerge from the COVID Pandemic. All are most welcome to attend



**St. Patrick's Men's' Club invite you to an evening of live music** from the 50's, 60's and 70's featuring local duo '**OLD SCHOOL.**' You can dance or sing. or both, to some of the best music of three decades. Admission is £4, Tel. Ken Marr 01642 602336. **Date of event Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 7.45-10.30pm.** Please bring your own food and drink.

**SPUC Club Draw . . .** The next Club Draw will take place on Sunday, 12 June. I would be grateful if any outstanding monies can be given to Christine, Eileen or Maurice. Many thanks.

**Parish Shop ~** New stock has arrived in the Parish Shop. On display are gifts for First Holy Communion and also cards for all occasions. Prayer cards, medals, Rosaries and statues are also on sale. Thank you for your support.

