

Sunday 14th August 2022

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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There are several times throughout the Liturgical year in which the Church celebrates the Blessed Virgin Mary. One Feast Day in particular reflects the story of eternal hope for the faithful, that is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Assumption signals the end of Mary's earthly life and marks her return to Heaven to be reunited with her Son. Whilst the Blessed Virgin has entered into heavenly glory, this does not mean that she is distant or detached from us, rather Mary accompanies us, struggles with us, and sustains Christians on their journey. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.



SVP Fatima Statue - if you would like Our Lady of Fatima statue in your home for a week, please add your name to the list on the notice board in the porch. Pick up from church porch on Sunday, to return the following Sunday. If unable to pick up, a member of the SVP will arrange to bring Our Lady of Fatima statue to your home.

St Patrick's SVP would like to thank you for your generous support. If you know of anybody in need, who would like a chat, or any support in any way, please contact any member of the SVP or telephone 01642 581788. All calls will be in strictest confidence.

Can you help? . . The Bidding Prayers at our Parish Masses are an important part of the liturgy, where we encourage everyone to pray for the particular needs of our families, our communities, our church and our world. They are meant to be up-to-date and relevant to local concerns so should be written by people in the parish. BUT at present there are ONLY TWO LOTS of people involved with writing them for St Patrick's parish. We write them 2 months on and 2 months off, - and would be very pleased if more people would get involved, and so share this responsibility! Can you help? You will get full advice and support. Please contact Terry or Patricia Egerton on 01642-645732, or on tpj.eqerton@virgin.net. Thank you!

CAFOD Holy Island Pilgrimage ~ Saturday 3rd September

10:30am – Meet at Purdy Lodge café, A1 and travel in convoy to Holy Island

11am - Meet at Holy Island causeway to walk & reflect on the Fix the Food System / CAFOD. This is approx 2-3hr walk. Please note non-walkers are welcome to join others for private prayer in the Catholic Chapel. **3pm** – Mass at St Mary's Church **4pm** – Depart Holy Island **Saturday 3rd September** – Safe to cross between 10.55 until 18.35 Further details are on the Church Noticeboard.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY			
14	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
15	Monday		No Mass
16	Tuesday		
17	Wednesday		
18	Thursday	6.00pm	Holy Hour ~ Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
19	Friday		No Mass
20	Saturday St Bernard		No Mass
21 st Sunday of the Year			
21	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
Anniversaries:		Robert Minto, Nicky McGee, John Blackburn	
NEW YOUR PARTY ERS		Billy McGuiness, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Mary Talbot, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Pauline Davies	

For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003



Immaculate Virgin, mother of Jesus and our mother, believe in triumphant assumption into Heaven where the angels and saints acclaim you as Queen. With them we offer you our devotion and love. We are confident that you watch over our daily efforts and needs. We look to you, our life and our hope. After this earthly life show us Jesus, the blessed fruit of your womb. Amen.



In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage from Lourdes to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. The St Bernadette Relic Tour offers a special once in a lifetime opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

The venues hosting St Bernadette's relics have a fixed capacity for visitors. To ensure the comfort and safety of pilgrims, visitors are asked to register their attendance, choosing a dedicated timeslot at a church or cathedral of their choice. Please note that registration times to visit St Bernadette's Relics are a guide only. People across our community will journey in prayer to visit the Relics. While every effort will be made to minimise waiting times, pilgrims may have to queue and are encouraged to include this possibility when planning their visit. The relics will visit the **Cathedral Church of St Mary in Newcastle on Saturday 1st October** (arriving at 11.00am) and **Sunday 2nd October** (departing at 11.00am). The reservation system is now open, please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk scroll down the page and you will be able to register and also find prayers to support the tour.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August . . . We pray for small and medium sized businesses, in the midst of social and economic crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

Unpacking the Mass Reflections . . . As part of the Year of the Eucharist, the Vicariate for Faith & Mission is bringing together a series of faith filled reflections written by people from across the Diocesan family, that unpack what a certain part of the Mass means to them. Unpacking the Mass will be available for download from the Diocesan website at the beginning of September.