

## Times of Mass, Intentions and Services

**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Year C – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

	<b><u>English Martyrs and Ss Peter &amp; Paul's</u></b>	<b><u>St Joseph's</u></b>	<b><u>St Bede's</u></b>	<b><u>Feast Days this week</u></b>
<b>Sat 12th</b>	<b><u>6:00pm</u></b> <b><u>Sunday Vigil Mass</u></b> Anne & Bill Foley RIP (MF)	<b><u>9:30am</u></b> Intention of Cecilia Reay (PMc)	—	—
<b>Sun 13th</b>	<b><u>9:00am</u></b> Mass for the Polish Community	<b><u>10:30am</u></b> Pro Populo (People of all three Parishes)	<b><u>9:00am</u></b> Vincenza Morgan RIP (LL)	<b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Mon 14th</b>	—	—	—	—
<b>Tue 15th</b>	<b><u>10:30am</u></b> <b><u>Requiem Mass</u></b> Sheila Dennis RIP	—	<b><u>9:30am</u></b> For Healing from Illness (GM) <b><u>10:00am – 11:00am</u></b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Albert the Great, <i>Bishop, Doctor</i>
<b>Wed 16th</b>	<b><u>9:30am</u></b> Sheila Earl RIP (SP)	—	—	St Edmund of Abingdon, <i>Bishop</i> St Margaret of Scotland
<b>Thur 17th</b>	—	<b><u>9:30am</u></b> Brian Armstrong RIP (PDR)  <b><u>2:00pm – 4:00pm</u></b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	—	St Hilda of Whitby, <i>Abbess</i>
<b>Fri 18th</b>	<b><u>5:00pm – 6:00pm</u></b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  <b><u>6:00pm</u></b> Angela Armstrong RIP (MS&AF)	—	—	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul
<b>Sat 19th</b>	<b><u>6:00pm</u></b> <b><u>Sunday Vigil Mass</u></b> Valerie Ellis RIP (BG)	<b><u>9:30am</u></b> Edward McVay RIP (MM)	—	—
<b>Sun 20th</b>	—	<b><u>10:30am</u></b> Pro Populo (People of all three Parishes)	<b><u>9:00am</u></b> Margaret Webber RIP (TA)	<b>Christ the King</b>

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November**  
**St Joseph's Legion Room**  
**after 9.30am Mass**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November**  
**EMSSPP Confessional**  
**5:00pm – 5:45pm**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November**  
**EMSSPP Confessional**  
**5:00pm – 5:45pm**

Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469

**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.

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## **P A R I S H N E W S L E T T E R**

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### **Clergy**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Mark Millward  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr Oliver Keyes  
**Deacon:** Paul Hargreaves

### **Parish Office**

**Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 10.00am till 2:00pm  
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### **Internet**

**Parish YouTube:** Stockton Parish Family  
**Facebook page:** @ParishFamilyStocktonRC  
**Parish website:** [www.parishfamilystockton.org.uk](http://www.parishfamilystockton.org.uk)  
**Diocesan website:** [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk)

### **Reflection – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time**

Luke was writing his gospel after the devastation of Jerusalem by the Roman armies in 70 AD, and the way he frames the words of Jesus suggests that he had witnessed the devastation. Massive blocks of stone, thrown down from the walls, are still lying there as they fell, scattered at the base of the Temple.

The message of this passage is, then, the same as Paul's in today's second reading: the end is sure, but is not yet. Jesus prepares his followers for what is to come before the cataclysmic finale. He warns against false Messiahs, political leaders or other saviour-figures who claim to 'put the world to rights'. His followers will be continually challenged to give an account of their beliefs, harassed and martyred in every age, betrayed by those they thought their friends.

There is a promise that Jesus will provide the words and wisdom for Christians to make a reply to their persecutors; there is a promise too of protection from real harm - but there is no promise that it will be a quiet and easy life.

A constant theme in Luke's Good News is that the followers of Jesus must follow him in his difficulties and trials. Only with like endurance will they stay true to him and keep in his footsteps.


Recall an occasion when the Lord gave you wisdom beyond your own.

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB, *from Wednesday Word*

## 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 Sheila Dennis, Michael Reed and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Parishes' Remembrance Service Tuesday 22nd November 7pm:** at St. Bede's' Church 96 Bishopton Road Stockton TS18 4PA for relatives and friends of parishioners who have died in the past year. The service will also be an opportunity for us to remember deceased parishioners, relatives and friends, whose names can be put on the memorial cards that will be available at the back of the church. These will be blessed at the altar during the service. All Parishioners are welcome.

**Parishes' Multicultural Party: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7:00pm** in EMSSPP Hall - to welcome our new parishioners. Members of our different cultural groups are getting together to bring and share their traditional food and drinks. Everyone will be warmly welcomed.

**Stockton Hope Community Larder Hardwick:** Many many thanks for all your generous donations for the Community Food Larder. Much appreciated by both volunteers and users. We are getting more and more people coming in to the Larder each week and your supplies have been invaluable. As well as the Community Food Larder we are now starting to collect for our **Christmas Hampers** and need Seasonal food and toiletries. We are also collecting children's pyjamas, hats, gloves & scarves.

**With thanks once again; from Stockton Hope Trustees & Volunteers.**

**Retiring collection:** There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund this weekend (12th/13<sup>th</sup> November).

**Mission Sunday (APF) (23<sup>rd</sup> October):** A total of £278.29 was collected recently – sincere thanks to all for their generous donations.

**St Joseph's Refurbishment Appeal:** The new the roof has been completed and the lighting has been renewed – almost £54,000 has been spent. **£10,527 has now been received towards this – Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed.** Envelopes are in now church for one off donations ... if you are a UK taxpayer please use the yellow forms to Gift Aid your donation where possible. However you can help or whatever you can do to assist with the fundraising effort will be gratefully received. Thank you – Fr Mark.

**Christmas Bingo / Coffee Evening:** on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm in St. Bede's Sharratt room.

Entrance tickets £1 - refreshments available. Donations for raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

**Christmas Coffee Morning:** to be held on **Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Baptist C. of E. Church,** Durham Road, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 0DZ. **10 – 12 noon.** Big Christmas Draw, tombola, mince pies, teas, coffee, Superb Cake Stall, Christmas Craft and Gift Stalls, Children's Stall. Free entry - all welcome.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 2023:** The 2023 Pilgrimage to Walsingham will depart on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June and return on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June.** A deposit of £30 will secure your place. This year we will be running a savings club for anyone who would like to save gradually towards the cost. For further details, please contact Mary on 07952 321396 or Pat on 01642 650904.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023:** Can you help the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes next year? We need nurses, healthcare assistants, doctors and volunteers to provide care to the assisted pilgrims who travel with us. Previous helpers have found it is a rewarding and spiritually uplifting week. We plan to travel on Friday 28th July. If you would like to find out more information, please email or look at our website <https://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk/> or email [lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk)

**St Vincent De Paul Society:** For anything SVP related please speak to one of our members or contact Alan on 07939912354, Mary on 07714327665 or email [PresidentC211509@svp.org.uk](mailto:PresidentC211509@svp.org.uk).

**SVP - PRESENTS: Jeremy McMurray and Friends Music Night.** In aid of Christmas Hampers, on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm in Billingham Catholic Club - Tickets £5 Contact Bill Scott on 07750 062798

**News from Uganda:** Fr. Vincent says “Since about 4 weeks ago we had an outbreak of the Ebola disease about 90 kilometres away from my parish. We keep watch once again, thank you for all you do for us here. We keep you in our prayers.”

**Our Lady and St. Bede parish Mass** The pupils and staff from all of our English Martyrs form groups would like to invite you all to join them for a special celebration of **Mass in Our Lady and St. Bede school on Wednesday 16th November.** Mass will start **at 2.20pm.** Pupils have been working very hard and they have created the introduction, reflection, bidding prayers and have chosen the hymns for the Mass, to ensure it is a special Mass for all who attend. It would be lovely if you were able to attend and support our young people. Thank you.

**Proud Catholics** - Living Catholicism in Queer Spaces  
Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East? We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at St Andrew's RC Church, Worswick St. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 15th November at 7.30pm (GMT). We will meet Gaël Pardoën and Dr Clare Watkins to take part in their research project "Living Catholicism in Queer Spaces". The aim is to listen to and give a voice to LGBTQI+ Catholics, to learn what it means to us and for us to live the Catholic life, what nurtures our faith and Catholic identity and how those, in turn, nurture the rest of our life. The meeting will be followed by social time and bring-and-share refreshments. It will be possible to connect through Zoom, just get in touch for the link if interested. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email [proud.catholics@yahoo.com](mailto:proud.catholics@yahoo.com), or visit our website <http://www.proud Catholics.co.uk>

**Light a Candle for a Loved One This November:** At the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, we can light a candle for them on your behalf by visiting our website. <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/candle> or scan the QR code on the posters in church.

**Would you like someone to talk to?** A trained listener is available who can offer a confidential listening service to anyone who needs a listening ear. This could include issues such as loss, anxiety, loneliness or any other matters of concern. An initial phone call can be made with the option of meeting one to one or continuing on the telephone. Please contact the parish office on 01642 806469 or email [parishfamilystockton@outlook.com](mailto:parishfamilystockton@outlook.com) leaving your name and contact details and a listener will get in touch. 'Being listened to and heard is one of the greatest desires of the human heart'.

**Holy Island Vinnies Camp 2022-23 URGENT APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS-** Have you got some time spare to help out our Term Time Camp? We urgently need volunteers to work in the kitchen or do a bit of cleaning/ caretaking at Holy Island Camp, washing dishes, serving food and clearing /cleaning the dining hall. We cannot offer glamour but we can offer friendship and a worthwhile cause to help. Term Time Camps take place between Easter and the Summer Holidays and then September and October. Commitment involves training, a DBS check and the choice of anything from a few days to a week helping on the beautiful island itself. We also need volunteers to work as part of a team of helpers to supervise and look after children, taking part in our weekly holidays over July and August. Volunteers would help organise activities and supervise the care of the children, aged between 9 and 12. Again, very little glamour, and admittedly tiring, but so worthwhile! Commitment is for training, a DBS check and a week on the island. All roles can be applied for, in November 2022 on line at <https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island/> where there is also much more information. We hope to meet you soon!

**Vacancies:** The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following permanent vacancies:  
Cleaner, St Cuthbert, Chester le Street – 6 hours per week. Closing date for applications: 18 November  
Cleaner, St Cuthbert, North Shields - 3 hours per week. Closing date for applications: 24 November  
Parish Secretary, St Charles, Gosforth – 12 hours per week. Closing date for applications: 30 November  
Please visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301

**Prayer Vigils at Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre:** A short monthly prayer vigil has been held on the first Sunday of each month at 3 pm outside the barrier to Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre since August 2021 co-ordinated by the Justice and Peace Co-ordinating Council. We believe detaining women who are asking for a safe place to live goes against our faith; we are asked to welcome the stranger and feed the hungry. This is an opportunity to give witness and pray for the women detained there. You are very welcome to join us there or to pray with us from home. The address of the centre is Corbridge Road, Medomsley DH8 6QY. Future dates planned are December 4th, February 5th, March 5<sup>th</sup> (there will not be an in person vigil in January). For more details, including a copy of the prepared liturgy please contact Liz Archibald at [lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com](mailto:lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com)

## Worldwide Church News

### Pope Francis Monthly Intentions for November: Children Who Suffer.

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

## Prayer and Liturgy News

**SHARING STORIES - 6 week Spirituality Course:** Led by Revd Caroline Worsfold. Wednesdays October 19th – November 23rd  
Time: 6.00pm – 7.15pm Venue: EMSSPP Church Hall. See poster in church for more details. All welcome. No need to book. No prior knowledge needed.

**Reminder -Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Date: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November Time:** 10.00am-4.00pm (Arrivals, registration and refreshments 10.00-10.30am.) **Venue:** St Joseph's, Hartlepool, TS26 9EY **Catering:** Tea and coffee is provided but bring your own packed lunch. **Cost:** £15 (paid by the parish) **Booking:** book your place via the parish office. **Deadline Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November.**

**Reflections:** As part of the Year of the Eucharist, Reflections on the Saints associated with the Eucharist have been prepared by the Seminarians of the Diocese, along with artwork from Fr John Bagnall, to help us grow in our love for the Eucharist, and to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, especially in our own Diocese. It is hoped that the reflections can offer opportunities for us to grow in our faith. They can be viewed at [https://bit.ly/Saints\\_Reflections](https://bit.ly/Saints_Reflections)

### Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022

#### First Reading

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of Hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

#### Psalm

*The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.*

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp.  
with the sound of music.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
acclaim the King, the Lord.

#### 97(98):5-9

Let the sea and all within it, thunder;  
the world, and all its peoples.  
Let the rivers clap their hands  
and the hills ring out their joy  
at the presence of the Lord.

For the Lord comes,  
he comes to rule the earth.  
He will rule the world with justice  
and the peoples with fairness.

#### Second Reading

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: do not let anyone have any food if he refuses to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

#### Gospel

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?' 'Take care not to be deceived,' he said 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

#### Bidding Prayers – prepared by pupils at Our Lady & St Bede Catholic Academy

Lord, we pray for those who have lost their lives fighting for our future. The struggles they faced and the pain they suffered to protect their country. We pray for the families they left behind, the loss they suffered and the family members they never got to know and spend time with.

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Lord, allow our thoughts to be with those who selflessly gave their lives to save our country, may all nations continue to work for peace and justice. Have mercy on your people at this time and open our hearts to love and peace. Teach us to look after our brothers and sisters in this time of need to ensure the end of conflict in all nations.  
Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Help us to remember those who have served in Ukraine and their families who have lost a loved one. We pray in the month of November for those who have died. Let us pray for all soldiers who have ever died in war and protect those who are still serving.

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those we love who have passed away, may they be at peace in your heavenly kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

## Thought for the Day

*Albert Schweitzer*

Prayer changes people – and people change the world.