



St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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Sunday 20th November 2022

CHRIST THE KING . . This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Our Lord, Christ the King. Over the last few Sundays the Gospel readings have been from St. Luke and they have shown the great mystery of God's universal love and mercy, revealed in the person of Jesus. This Sunday's gospel focuses on Jesus on the cross, granting pardon to the repentant thief. Jesus has come to bring the healing forgiveness of God to all who seek it.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, creator of all, to you be glory and praise for ever. You founded the earth in the beginning and the heavens are the work of your hands. In the fullness of time You made us in your image. As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us let the light of your love always shine in our hearts, your Spirit ever renew our lives and your praises ever be on our lips. Amen.



Today is National Youth Sunday, a day to celebrate the young people and young adults in our community. Please pray that they will respond to their individual vocation, the calling written on each of our hearts by God.

Holy Spirit of Love we pray to you for the youth of our Parish and Diocese. Fill their hearts with the certainty that you have chosen them to love, to praise and to serve. Enable them to savour your friendship and fill them with your joy and consolation. Help them to overcome moments of difficulty and to rise up again with trust after they have fallen. Give them the courage to face the challenges of our time and the joy of living in friendship with our Saviour Jesus Christ.

There will be a second collection after Mass this weekend for the Youth Mission Team as they continue their good work with young people in the Diocese.



St. Gianna Molla & The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) ~ Our Parish shall be hosting a very special event **this Sunday 20th November at the 9am Mass**. A first-class relic of St. Gianna Molla will be visiting the parish and there will be an opportunity to venerate the relic at Mass on that day.

St Gianna was a wife, mother and medical doctor who risked and lost her life so that her unborn child could live. She was canonised by St. John Paul II in 2004. There will also be a short presentation on the life of St. Gianna and an opportunity to find out more about the work of SPUC.

There will be a Mass for Deceased Members of the Men's Club on Thursday 24th November. Anyone interested in joining us in the Hall after Mass for a glass of wine and pie and peas, please contact George Hunton, Mike Bowles or Bill Douglas.

St. Patrick's SVP invite you to a Christmas Coffee Morning on the **4th December** in the Church Hall after the 9am Mass. Sit back, enjoy a coffee, cakes and mince pies and listen to Nativity music. All welcome.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING			
20	Sunday	9.00am	Vincent Rea
21	Monday <i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		No Mass
22	Tuesday <i>St Cecilia</i>		
23	Wednesday		
24	Thursday <i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	6.30pm 7.00pm	SVP Rosary Deceased Members of the Men's Club
25	Friday	1.00pm	Requiem Mass ~ Pauline Mileson
26	Saturday		No Mass
1st Sunday of Advent			
27	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
Recently Deceased:		Billy McGuinness May he rest in peace. Amen	
Anniversaries:		John Hughes, Bernadette Duffy	
		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,	
Reader for Sunday 27th November ~ Val Railton			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Next Sunday Bishop Robert will officially close the Year of the Eucharist in St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle at the 11.30am Mass.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November

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.

Parish Shop: Christmas Cards and Gifts, Advent Calendars, Diaries and Cards for all occasions, on sale after Mass. Thank you for your support.



'Raised on Songs & Stories' (ROSS*) ~ **Wednesday 30th November.** Buffet Lunch with Irish entertainment. 12.30pm – 2.45pm. Free entry – **St. Patrick's Parish Centre**, Glenfield Rd., TS19 7PJ. ROSS is a project for older folk with an Irish heritage or affinity, organised by the Tyneside Irish Culture Society in N.E. England.

Priest's Training Fund . . . The collection remains open until 27th November for Private and Group donations.

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT EVENING . . The next Discernment evening will take place at the Cathedral on Tuesday 6th December at 6.00pm. Bishop Robert will be our guest for the evening and this is the last evening before the Christmas holiday. If you would like to come along, or for more information, please contact the Vocations Promoter, Father Shaun Purdy, by Monday 28th November, so catering arrangements can be made. Please either call 01670 812 200 or email vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk The evening will finish at 8.00pm.