

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services

13th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A – 2nd July 2023

	<u>English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul's</u>	<u>St Joseph's</u>	<u>St Bede's</u>	<u>Feast Days this week</u>
Sat 1st	<u>6:00pm</u> Sunday Vigil Mass In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered (GF)	<u>9:30am</u> Healing Mass Priests Intention	—	—
Sun 2nd	—	<u>10:30am</u> Paul Kennedy RIP (DK) <u>4:00pm</u> Holy Hour	<u>9:00am</u> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	13th Sunday Ordinary Time
Mon 3rd	—	—	—	St Thomas, Apostle
Tue 4th	—	—	<u>9:30am</u> Maureen Ruddy (TA) <u>10:00am</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Elizabeth of Portugal
Wed 5th	<u>9:30am</u> Healing for Mary Ann Twine	—	—	St Anthony Zaccaria, <i>Priest</i>
Thur 6th	—	<u>9:30am</u> Tony & Pat Fowler RIP (PDR) <u>2:00pm – 4:00pm</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	—	St Maria Goretti, <i>Virgin, Martyr</i>
Fri 7th	<u>5:00pm – 6:00pm</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <u>6:00pm</u> Pat Chapman RIP (AC)	—	—	—
Sat 8th	<u>6:00pm</u> Sunday Vigil Mass Anne & Bill Foley RIP (MF)	—	—	—
Sun 9th	<u>9:00am</u> Mass for the Polish Community	<u>10:30am</u> Gwen Campbell RIP (BH)	<u>9:00am</u> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	14th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation <div> <div> Thursday 6th July St Joseph's Legion Room after Mass </div> <div> Friday 7th July EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm </div> <div> Saturday 8th July EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm </div> </div>		
Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469		

Bulletin Items: If you would like a notice included in the next bulletin, please email 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.

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM, STOCKTON



St. Joseph's



English Martyrs and
Ss. Peter and Paul's



St. Bede's

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

Sunday 2nd July 2023

13th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Clergy

Parish Priest: Fr Mark Millward
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13th Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Friends,

As you will have heard in my recent pastoral letter, I am initiating a “listening exercise” for the whole of our diocese to help respond to issues raised by the recent reports, occasioned by the events surrounding the resignation of Bishop Byrne. The aim is to begin to look to the future together with healing and hope.

One of the strands of the overall exercise is to listen to the thoughts and concerns for the future of you, the laity of our diocese. It is important to hear one another and to look both individually and collectively at the culture we want to build for our parish communities and this diocese. To this end, I am convening meetings to which you are invited to generously share your wisdom, hurts and hopes.

I would like to invite you to attend a meeting on Thursday, 13th July, at English Martyrs and St. Peter & St Paul's, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 9BY. The meeting will begin at 7pm (prompt) and finish at 8.30pm

It will include a time for listening and discussion and a liturgy of healing for those who wish to partake.

I have asked Amy Cameron from the Vicariate of Faith & Mission to co-ordinate the Listening process and I have asked Dr Karen Kilby, Bede Chair at Durham University to provide me with a summary of these meetings.

I encourage you to be generous in taking part in this process to faithfully move our diocese forward under the care of our new bishop, Bishop Stephen Wright.


Yours sincerely in Christ

Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon
Apostolic Administrator, Diocese of Hexham

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.

June Baptisms: Please pray for Alexander Gabriel, Alexander, Mila Maria, Ben, Rebecca Paige, Raphael Walter George and Hunter Lea Colin who received the Sacrament of Baptism in June. May they and their godparents grow in their Faith in the years ahead.

Peter’s Pence Collection: There will be a second collection for Peter's Pence this weekend (1st / 2nd July)

 **Volunteer gardener(s) needed at St Bede's** to look after the flower beds. (The grass is being cut by a contractor) If you are willing to help, please speak to Fr Mark. Thank you.

Thank You: The Tabletop Sale at St. Bede's on Sunday raised £29.50 for church funds. Sincere thanks to everyone who supported.


Mayoral Service at EMSsPP: Roseworth councillor, Jim Beall is Stockton Mayor for this year, and he has asked us to hold his Mayor's Sunday service in English Martyrs', St Peter and Paul's Church on **Sunday July 30th at 11am**. This will be a service of readings and hymns with the theme, "The River of God- The water of Life". You are all warmly invited to attend and to share in this act of worship. I do hope many of you will come and offer a welcome to our mayor and all the visitors.

PARISH FINANCES

New Bank Account Details: Please make cheques **payable to DHN Stockton Our Lady of Walsingham**. If you would like to make a direct Bank transfer or set up a standing order, please contact the parish office for the new account details. Thank you.

Offertory envelopes.
Please contact the parish office if you would like (or no longer need) a box of envelopes, if you have changed your address or would like to sign up for Gift Aid.

St Joseph’s Refurbishment Appeal: £13,032 has been donated so far towards the cost of the new roof and other planned refurbishments– Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed. Special 'Refurbishment Fund' envelopes are in church for one-off donations; if you are a UK taxpayer, please use the yellow forms to Gift Aid your donation where possible. Any help you can give to assist with the fundraising effort will be gratefully received. Thank you – Fr Mark.

 **Stockton Hope Community Larder Hardwick:** Many thanks for the generous donation of £180 for the Stockton Hope Project Community Larder and warm space received recently. This will help us continue our work for the community much appreciated by both volunteers and users. Also, thanks for all your continuing food donations. With blessings to you all from Stockton Hope Trustees & Volunteers

Advance Notice: there will be a second collection for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) next weekend (8th / 9th July).

Parish Contacts

Holy Hikers: are out walking again for the summer season of monthly walks. Contact David Mackintosh for details on 07913 021814.
St Vincent De Paul Society: For anything SVP related please speak to one of our members or contact Alan on 07939 912354 or Mary on 07714 327665 or email **PresidentC211509@svp.org.uk**.
St. Joseph’s Thornton Hall: For any requests to book / hire the Hall please contact Philip and Cath Jackson direct on 01642 284770 Thank you.
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 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’.

Vocations Discernment Evening planned for Tuesday 18th July **is cancelled**.

Summer Workshop – Bullet Journaling - The ARC Stockton – Saturday 8th July 10:30am. Cost £12
A workshop to discover ways to bring creativity, mindfulness, relaxation and organisation into your daily life by learning techniques of bullet journaling and calligraphy. The workshop provides your bullet journal and selection of creative material to use during the session. Book your place directly with the ARC – Tel 01642 525199 or online: **www.arconline.co.uk**

Proud Catholics - Prayer for Pride

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. Pride Weekend (22-23 July) is an opportunity to celebrate diversity and inclusion. Proud Catholics, together with other Christian groups and churches, will take part in the event to testify that the inclusive love of God is for everyone. In our meeting on **Tuesday 18th July at 7.30pm** (BST), Davi will lead us in a quiet time of prayer in preparation for the event. It will be an opportunity to spend some time with God and each other, giving thanks for our lives and celebrating the love and peace that God invites us to share. Zoom link available (please get in touch if interested).
For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website <http://www.proud Catholics.co.uk>

Vacancies: St. Joseph’s Catholic Academy has vacancies for a part time Cleaning Operative (11.25 hours per week) and a Lunchtime Assistant (6.25 hours per week). See posters on noticeboards for details or visit the school website stjosephsnorton.bchet.org.uk (closing date Monday 10th July)

Pauline Books and Media, Newcastle: Please note that from the Monday 10th July the Cathedral bookshop will have revised opening hours:

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	10:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday	10:00am – 4:30pm
Friday	10:00am – 4:30pm
Saturday	9:45am – 4:00pm
Sunday	9:30am – 1:15pm

For orders and enquires outside of these hours please:
Telephone: 0151 7091328 Email: orders@pauline-uk.org www.paulineuk.org

Worldwide Church News

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions for July: for a Eucharistic Life
We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Prayer and Liturgy News

HOLY HOUR at St. Joseph’s 4pm on Sunday 2nd July. All are welcome.

Marian retreat at Minsteracres: Wednesday 20th-Friday 22nd September 2023, 6:30pm-2pm) For information and bookings visit www.minsteracres.org, or call 01434 673248, or email info@minsteracres.org

12th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

First reading **2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16**

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, ‘Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us, he can rest there.’ One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. He said to his servant Gehazi, ‘Call our Shunammitess. Tell her this: “Look, you have gone to all this trouble for us, what can we do for you? Is there anything you would like said for you to the king or to the commander of the army?”’ But she replied, ‘I live with my own people about me.’ ‘What can be done for her then?’ he asked. Gehazi answered, ‘Well, she has no son, and her husband is old.’ Elisha said, ‘Call her.’ The servant called her, and she stood at the door. This time next year,’ he said, ‘you will hold a son in your arms.’

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 88(89):2-3,16-19**

R: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.

2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss.
- 3.For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
by your favour it is that our might is exalted;
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

Second reading **Romans 6:3-4,8-11**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised, we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel **Matthew 10:37-42**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. 'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. 'Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man's reward. 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

Thought for the Day

Life is not about how fast you run. or how high you climb, but how well you bounce. Anon

A copy of the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency’s Report into Safeguarding in Our Diocese is available on the Diocesan website: diocesehn.org.uk
A copy is also available in each church.