

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services
Easter Sunday Year B – 31st March 2024

	<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 30th	7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	—	—	HOLY SATURDAY
Sun 31st	9:00am Mass for the Polish Community	10:30am Joan Colley RIP (PDR)	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 1st	—	—	—	Easter Monday
Tue 2nd	12 noon Requiem Mass Mary McGuinness RIP	—	9:30am Intentions of Alan & Vicky Charlton (PR) 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Easter Tuesday
Wed 3rd	9:30am Special Intention of J P Leonard	—	—	Easter Wednesday
Thur 4th	—	9:30am Dorrie Tait & Marie Sayers RIP (AT)	—	Easter Thursday
Fri 5th	6:00pm A Special Intention (BE)	—	—	Easter Friday
Sat 6th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Intention of Mathew Newman	9:30am Healing Mass Richard H Hunter RIP (MH)	—	Easter Saturday
Sun 7th	—	10:30am Pat Templeman RIP (PA&WJ) 2:30pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	2nd Sunday of Easter DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Thursday 4th April St Joseph's Legion Room after Mass	Friday 5th April EMSSPP Confessional 5:00pm – 5:45pm	Saturday 6th April St Joseph's Legion Room after 9.30am Healing Mass 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 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

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 31st March 2024
Easter Sunday - Year B

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 Contact: Gill Hall Tel. 01642 806469 Email: parishfamilystockton@outlook.com
Internet	Parish YouTube: Stockton Parish Family Facebook page: @ParishFamilyStocktonRC Parish website: www.parishfamilystockton.org.uk Diocesan website: diocesehn.org.uk
Parish Contacts	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



*Fr Mark, Fr Ollie, Deacon Paul & Gill
wish you all
a very Happy, Peaceful and Holy Easter*

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 Mary McGuinness, Margaret Trigg, Joan Reed and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Welcome to our Elect We welcome into our Parish Family our Elect who will be Baptised or Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church this Easter. Please pray for Angela, Kerri, Lucy, Wendy, Katie, Michele, Michaela, Lisa, and Sarah and for their families and sponsors.

Journey in Faith: The group will meet on Saturday 6 April and Saturday 13 April at 2 pm in the Thornton Hall at St Joseph's

PARISH FINANCES

Parish 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: THE NEW BOXES OF OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR USE FROM 7th APRIL ONWARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM CHURCH. Please let the Parish office know if you do not have any envelopes and would like some, if your address has changed, or if you no longer require a box. Many thanks.

Mass Intentions We have received a lot of requests, particularly at St. Joseph's, so if you would like a Mass to be said on a specific date, please give as much notice as possible to avoid disappointment.

Red Boxes (St. Bede's and others): The Mission Boxes are now due for collection. Could you please leave the boxes at the back of Church, or ring John Evans on 01642 895739 who will arrange collection.

Roseworth Naturally Creative Arts and Craft Group: Friday mornings 10am-12:30pm at Kiora Hall, Roseworth. Please see the copy of the 2024 Programme on the noticeboard at the back of 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 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'.

First Holy Communion: In the spirit of 'Reuse and Recycle', we are looking to set up a First Holy Communion Dress Bank at St. Bede's church, where dresses could be hired in return for a small donation. If you have any dresses which you are willing to donate then please contact the parish office. Thank you.

The Bread and Butter Thing: Every Thursday from 7th March at 1pm at Redhill Family Hub, Roseworth. Get your weekly groceries at a fraction of the cost! See the fliers in church or visit www.stockton.gov.uk/TBBT for more information.

Roseworth Big Local Advice Service – in partnership with Citizens Advice, Roseworth Big Local has set up a new advice service to give free specialist and independent advice on benefits, grants, debts, finances, housing, energy costs, employment problems and much more. This can be arranged locally rather than travelling into town – call 01642 626135 to arrange an appointment. See leaflets in church for more information.

Stockton Hope Community Larder Hardwick: The larder is open every Wednesday from 11am to 1pm and is available for everyone. We also have a 'warm space' serving tea/coffee for free or just for a chat. Everyone at the Stockton Hope Community Larder thanks you all for your wonderful generosity.

Little Sisters of the Poor: are fundraising for St Joseph's Home in Newcastle by collecting used postage stamps (any country or period), or foreign currency (again from any time or country). If you have any, please put them in the separate collection envelope at the back of church (not into the offertory baskets please) or hand in to the parish office. Thank you.

Response to Listening Exercises: Bishop Stephen has shared his initial personal reflection on everything he has listened to, the summaries from the various Listening Exercises that have been running since the summer of 2023, and the results of the Questionnaire for the Dicastery of Bishops' Report from March 2023. Bishop Stephen reflects on the past, present and our future together; it is his response to what has been presented to him. The document, is published on the Diocesan website [Bishop Stephen's Response to the Listening Exercises - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle \(diocesehexham.org.uk\)](http://www.diocesehexham.org.uk)

Fr Mark has signed up for CAFOD's Big Lent Walk 2024 He has passed his original 200km target and is now aiming for 250km - he has raised an amazing £1,735 so far. If you can, please donate to his fundraising page using the link below. All money raised will be used by CAFOD to fight poverty around the world. Sincere thanks to all for your support. <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fr-marks-big-lent-walk-24>

Job Vacancy: Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant St Bede's Catholic Academy, Green Lane, Stockton on Tees TS19 0DW

Terms: 10 hours per week/Term time only Salary: £5,172.00

Closing date: Monday, 22 April 2024

Due to our continued growth we are looking to appoint a caring and dynamic Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant who will be responsible for overseeing children throughout the lunchtime period. You will assist with pupils' table manners and use of cutlery and will also be responsible for coordinating a range of interactive play activities, administering minor first aid and ensuring the welfare and safety of the pupils.

Further details and application forms are available from the school website [www. \[stbedesstockton.bhcet.org.uk/\]\(http://www.stbedesstockton.bhcet.org.uk/\)](http://www.stbedesstockton.bhcet.org.uk/)

Completed application forms should be returned to recruitment@stbedesstockton.bhcet.org.uk or posted to Mrs B Rizzi-Allan Executive Head Teacher, St Bede's Catholic Academy, Green Lane, Stockton, TS19 0DW

Our Lady and St. Bede School: Are looking for invigilators for the upcoming exams. Working as part of a team, invigilators contribute to ensuring a calm environment for the exams, giving candidate's confidence in the process. The public examination period is May and June; however, Invigilators will be required to attend during the year for training and to assist with internal exams. Readers/Scribes are required to support individual students by reading aloud and/or transcribing verbal answers to examination questions. If anyone would be interested in this role, could you, please email gilrainej@olsb.bhcet.org.uk or call school for further information.

North East Catholic History Society: The North East Catholic History Society is 50 years old this year. It was founded to encourage and promote the very rich Catholic History of our region. They meet five times a year for lectures, and have the excellent magazine "Northern Catholic History" published yearly. Excursions to places of interest are organised for members. The Society is looking to attract new members. Currently, they meet on Wednesday afternoons at Joseph's Centre, Gateshead, directly opposite the Metro and bus interchange. They welcome visitors too. After many years of excellent service, their Programme Secretary is retiring and they are looking for a replacement to organise talks. In recent years, they have established great contact with Ushaw and their fine group of researchers. You can read about The Society on the diocesan website, or contact Margaret Henderson margaret@coopuk.com

Prayer and Liturgy News

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions April: For the Role of Women

This month's prayer intention is "that the dignity and richness of women be recognized in all cultures, and for an end to the discrimination they suffer in various parts of the world.

Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour with Confessions starting at 2.30 pm at St Joseph's Church followed by Tea/ Coffee in the Thornton Hall.

Readings Easter Sunday Year B

First reading Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

R: This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

Second reading Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Gospel John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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Thought for the Day

If we are silent about the joy which we receive from Jesus, then the very stones of our cities should cry out. We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song.

St John Paul II