

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services
22nd Sunday Ordinary Time Year B – 1st September 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 31st	6:00pm Vigil Mass Intentions of Vivienne H (DT)	9:30am Edward McVay RIP (MM)	—	—
Sun 1st	—	10:30am Terry Wynn RIP 4:00pm Holy Hour	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	22nd Sunday Ordinary Time
Mon 2nd	—	—	—	—
Tue 3rd	—	—	9:30am Priests Intention 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Gregory the Great Pope, Doctor
Wed 4th	9:30am Intention of Nathaniel Mack, New School (BE)	—	—	The Translation of St Cuthbert
Thur 5th	—	9:30am Heather Hopfl RIP (HH) 2:00pm – 4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	—	St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) <i>Religious</i>
Fri 6th	5:00pm – 6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Arthur & Mavis McQuillan RIP (JH)	—	—	—
Sat 7th	6:00pm Vigil Mass Intentions of Geoff & Eileen Moore (AC)	10:00am Healing Mass Intention of Alan Guile	—	—
Sun 8th	9:00am Mass for the Polish Community	10:30am Betty Hayes RIP (CP)	9:00am Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday 5th September
St Joseph's Legion Room
after Mass

Friday 6th September
EMSSPP Confessional
5:00pm – 5:45pm

Saturday 7th September
St Joseph's Legion Room
after 9.30am Healing Mass

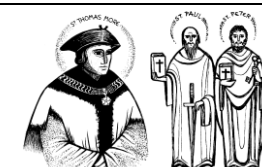
EMSSPP Confessional
5:00pm – 5:45pm

Or by Appointment – call 01642 806469

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM, STOCKTON



St. Joseph's



English Martyrs and Ss. Peter and Paul's



St. Bede's

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 1st September 2024

22nd Sunday Ordinary Time - Year B

Clergy

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

Parish Office

Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am till 3:00pm
 Friday 9:30am till 2:30pm
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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
Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are David Mackintosh & Joan Rogers or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk

Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION
 SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
 (Rom 8:19-25)

Father, Lord of all creation, we praise you with all your creatures and the whole universe that comes forth from the work of Your hands. We acknowledge the privilege and responsibility that You give us as stewards of Your creation. In our ignorance we have done damage to our common home and our brothers and sisters are suffering. Through faithfully following your Son guide and direct us to prepare for a better future. Teach us to contemplate You in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of You. Give us the grace to recognise, respect and protect all You have created, using wisely all that you have entrusted to us. Holy Spirit, who first hovered over the dawn of creation and drew order out of the chaos help us to build your kingdom of justice, love, peace, and beauty where the poor of the earth are crying out. You, who live and reign, world without end, Amen.

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 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.

PARISH FINANCES

Parish Bank Account Details: Please make cheques payable to **DHN Stockton Our Lady of Walsingham**.

If you would like to make a Bank transfer or set up a standing order, please contact the parish office for the account details. Thank you.

Offertory Envelopes: Please **do not use old Gift Aid envelopes from previous years** .. contact the Parish office if you do not have any current envelopes and would like some, if your address has changed, or if you no longer require a box. Many thanks.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Please note that with effect from next week **parish office hours will be changing** to be 9:30am – 3:00pm on Wednesdays & Thursdays and 9:30am – 2:30pm on Fridays. The office will be closed on Mondays & Tuesdays.

The ashes of Arthur McQuillan RIP will be interred at Durham Road Cemetery at 2:30pm on Friday 6th September. After the 6pm Mass that evening there will be refreshments in EMSSPP hall.

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to help with the 'Holy Washing' at EMSSPP. Training will be given. If you are interested in helping, please see Fr Mark or David. Thank you.

August Baptisms: Please pray for Theo Lucas, Lydia, Jude Michael, Ted Dougie, Edith Anne and Alaia Rayne who received the Sacrament of Baptism in August. May they and their godparents grow in their Faith in the years ahead.

Book Sale: There will be a book sale for the next two weeks at St Bede's and St Joseph's...all proceeds will go to Fr Vincent's fund.

SPUC CLUB DRAW: The next SPUC Club Draw will take place on **Sunday, 15 September**, following the 9am Mass. Any outstanding monies can be given to Christine, Maurice or Eileen. Many thanks.

The Bread and Butter Thing: Every Thursday 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. Once a month we have an advisor from Citizens Advice Service - this is a free service. Everyone at the Stockton Hope Community Larder thanks you all for your wonderful generosity.

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'.

The Refugee and Asylum Seekers Project: are urgently requiring clothing for young men. Any donations please contact Karen Dick on 07759 984586. Sincere thanks.

Mass Intentions: if you would like a Mass to be said on a specific date, particularly at St Joseph's **please give as much notice as possible to avoid disappointment**.

Sincere thanks from Little Sisters of the Poor: for collecting used stamps and foreign currency for St Joseph's Home in Newcastle (David and Theresa O'Neill have raised over £21,000 so far). The Sisters and residents remember all who donate in their prayers and Masses. If you have any more, please continue 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.

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.

Job Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following vacancy:
Cleaner, St Cuthbert, Old Elvet, Durham – 10 hours a week. Closing date: 9 September.
Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 07789 885 118.

Prayer and Liturgy News

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions - September: For the Cry of the Earth

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

Education Sunday: Sunday, 8 September 2024: Education Sunday is marked this year on 8 September - just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2024 is, "He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak", taken from St Mark's Gospel (7:31-37). Education Sunday is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, established 175 years ago in 1848. It provides an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to all involved in making Catholic schools places of enlightenment, as well as to look forward in anticipation of the year ahead.

New Lectionary - Readers Day: The Diocesan Liturgical Formation team are running a day for readers of all levels of experience to explore the new translation of the Lectionary on Saturday 9 November at St Augustine, Darlington, DL3 7RG. This day will provide an opportunity to look at the background of the new Lectionary and to be ready to proclaim the Scriptures. For more information and to book, please visit: bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents. Details of other Liturgy days are also available on the Diocesan website.

Holy Hour: at 4pm on **Sunday 1st September** at **St Joseph's, Norton**. All are welcome.

Let Life Flourish Spiritual Bouquet: SPUC has launched a prayer initiative in collaboration with Knights of St Columba. The spiritual bouquet is a rallying call to SPUC supporters, the wider pro-life community and all people of good will to pray with renewed faith and trust for the protection of life from conception until natural death.

Please pray for the following intentions each month:

September: For political leaders – that they will act to uphold the sanctity of life through just laws

October: For an end to abortion in the UK

November: For the work of SPUC and KSC in defending the sanctity of life.

Season of Creation: 1 September - 4 October 2024: The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home, starting each year on 1 September and finishing on the feast of St Francis, 4 October. During this season, we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

Readings 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 14(15):2-5

R: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue.

2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord.

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;

who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm forever.

Second Reading

James 1:17-18,21-22,27

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless; the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

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Thought for the Day

A lie can travel halfway around the world, while truth is putting on its shoes. **Mark Twain**