

Sunday 6th October, 2024

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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There are two 'cares' in the gospel this Sunday, the care for marriage and the care for children. We are reminded that one of the sacred places where we can encounter the Son of God is in marriage, the union of a married couple is the image of the bond that exists between Jesus Christ and us, his church. Children trust that their parents will provide for them. We place our trust in God that He will provide for our needs, and like little children, who know to turn to their parents for help, we must continually bring our worries, our concerns and our problems to our heavenly Father.

PLEASE NOTE: Medjugorje Pilgrimage departing Sunday 13th October . . . The bus taking people to Newcastle Airport will leave St. Patrick's car park at 3am that morning. Please do not be late!

The Diocese is currently carrying out a volunteer census in our parish. This is to ensure we identify all our volunteers to offer support and appropriate training and recognition for the important part all play in the life of our parish. A volunteer is anyone who gives their time freely and regularly to assist anywhere within the parish, school or diocese.

During the weekend of 12th/13th and 19th/20th October the census will be explained in more detail after the weekend Masses. If you volunteer within the parish, school or diocese please complete one of the forms which will be available at the back of church or complete your details via the QR Code.

Volunteering is a grace from God. Volunteers are the strength of the church.

Day of Fasting and Prayer . . . The Holy Father asks that Monday 7th October, the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, to be a day of fasting and prayer for peace in the world.

Missio Red Boxes are due for collection. If you do not have a collector please bring your red box after Mass to the church crèche this Sunday or you can leave at parish shop with your name and telephone number and we will ring you when it is ready to be picked up. If you would like a mission box please take one from the porch outside the parish shop. Thank you for your wonderful support to Missio.

SPUC Petition: Two Child Benefit Cap: Sunday, 6 October 2024 . . . The annual pro-life petition for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) focuses on the two-child benefit cap which you might have heard about recently in the news. Some abortion providers themselves have identified that the government's punitive two-child Universal Credit limit is "a significant factor" in many women deciding to abort their children. We would be grateful if you could please sign this petition as you leave church. Thank you

St. Patrick's Men's Club Present 'An Evening with Paul Tilley.' He is a renowned and accomplished musician, composer and singer. **Saturday 19**TH **October, 8pm – 11pm** in the Parish Centre. Order your tickets now (£6). Contact Ken Marr, tel. 01642 602336. Please bring your own drink and food.



27 th Sunday of the Year			
6	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
7	Monday	9.15am 5.30pm	Pat Kennedy Medjugorje Rosary for World Peace
8	Tuesday		
9	Wednesday		
10	Thursday	6.00pm	Rosary & Healing Exposition
11	Friday	9.15am	Brydon Family
12	Saturday	9.15am	Special Intention
28 th Sunday of the Year			
13	Sunday	9.00am	Special Intention
Anniversaries:		Fred Davis, Pat O'Brien, Nora Kennedy, William Southall, Clifford Brown, Robert Parkinson	
TOUR TRANSFRS		Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley, Samuel Kiberu, Brian Wetherell, Joyce Thomas	
Reader for Sunday 13 th October – Gwen Gallagher			
Feast Days: 7 th October: Our Lady of the Rosary 9 th October: St John Henry Newman 10 th October: St Paulinus of York, 12 th October: St Wilfrid			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



If you are able to support Eileen, Sheila and Karen with Sunday Coffee after Mass or Karen with the Church flowers, please speak to one of the team noted, or ring Karen on 07759984586. Sincere thanks.

Rosary Pilgrimage at the Lady Chapel, Osmotherley, for the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary at 12noon. Monday 7th Oct.

Rome Pilgrimage 2025. "If there is anyone willing to share a twin room with me, Mr. Mike Kennedy (51yrs) on the Rome Pilgrimage please telephone me on my mobile, 07791 000364 or see me at the back of church after Mass."

CAFOD Family Fast Day: There will be a second collection this Sunday after Mass for the return of the Family Fast envelopes. Thank you.

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 interested in this role, could you, please email gilrainej@olsb.bhcet.org.uk or call school for further information.

FLAME 2025 takes place on Saturday 15th March. The theme is 'Unstoppable. Fan the Flame of Hope'. It is open to anyone from school year 9 to University/young adult age. Under 18s must be part of an organised group. Two years ago, over 700 young people from our Diocese travelled to Wembley Arena for this national Catholic youth gathering. Once again YMT is hoping to take a large number of young people (up to 1,000 including accompanying adults). Cost: £45 per person (includes return rail travel, Wembley ticket and London travel card). The cost has been generously subsidised by Significance. the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. For further contact mary.hughes@ymt.org