



Sunday 7th September 2025

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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As true followers of Jesus we enter a new family where we recognise every person as a brother or sister. It is a message explaining what will be expected if we wish to gain eternal life. Giving up possessions is a huge demand of Jesus, but he is asking us to identify what it is in us that may block us being his disciples. We are invited to examine all aspects of our life carefully and decide if the reward of eternal life in God's presence is more important than anything else. We can ask Jesus to help us identify what we need in our lives to follow him truly.

World Apostolate of Fatima: The Centenary Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco are on a national tour and will visit St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on Saturday, 13th September.

CAFOD Jubilee Pilgrimage in this special Year of Jubilee. All are welcome to join CAFOD and the Archbishop Romero Trust on their pilgrimage to Holy Island on Saturday, 13th September 2025. **10.00am** meet at Purdy Lodge Café (café on the A1, Belford NE70 7JU) to travel in convoy to Holy Island causeway; **11.30am–11.45am:** Walkers meet at first refuge on the causeway to cross the sands. Non-walkers are welcome to join service in St. Aiden's Catholic Church at 12 noon. Bring or buy your own lunch. **3.00pm:** Mass in St. Mary's Church. Tide times for safe crossing: 10.45am – 5.35pm. For more information, please contact Rachel Blaylock on 07779 804243 or by email: rblaylock@cafod.org.uk

Diocesan Jubilee Day ~ Alive in Hope: A Church for Mission. Bishop Stephen invites you to a Jubilee Day on Saturday 27th September, from 10am to 3pm, at Cardinal Hume Catholic School in Gateshead. Everyone is welcome. There will be guest speakers from the Prisons' Chaplaincy and the Justice & Peace Refugee Project and a choice of seminars/forums to reawaken and empower us for mission. This is an opportunity to celebrate our diocesan family as we explore what a Church in Mission invites us to be and do. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a prayer space in the chapel, and praise and worship led by Durham musicians 'Set A Fire.' Take a look around the marketplace where there will be stands and gifts from some of our Catholic partners and groups. Registration and refreshments from 9.15am, please bring a packed lunch. Ample parking is available and entry is free but please register at <https://bit.ly/DHNAlive25> where you will also find more information about the seminars you will be able to join during the day. For enquiries please email Amy at formation.mission@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 2433316.

The Cleveland Newman's Association . . . 'Interior Prayer' The Holy Spirit at work within us. Praying in the Spirit means being led and moved by the Holy Spirit in our prayer life, seeking God's will and glory. It's not just about praying for the Spirit's help, but rather, being in a relationship with the Spirit. For all the great saints and mystics of the church the highest form of prayer was self-emptying and complete trust in God, even when God seems absent. The talk will be by Fr Steven Leightell, Assistant Priest, St. Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough. Wednesday 17th September at 7.45pm in Middlesbrough Cathedral Hall, TS8 0TW. (Coffee/tea from 7.30pm.) Everyone welcome. For more information, please telephone Patricia Egerton on 01642 645732.

23 rd Sunday of the Year			
7	Sunday	9.00am	For Healing
8	Monday	9.15am 5.30pm	Harry & Elizabeth Joynes Medjugorje Rosary
9	Tuesday		
10	Wednesday		
11	Thursday	6.00pm	Rosary & Healing Exposition
12	Friday	9.15am	Barbara Cunningham
13	Saturday	9.15am	Deceased Members of Love, Mockler & Hanley Families (KH)
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross			
14	Sunday	9.00am	Jessica Ivy Eales
Anniversaries:		Des Morton,	
		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, Chris Bostock	
Reader for Sunday 14 th September – Joan Hunton			
Feast Days: 8 th September; The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 13 th September; St John Chrysostom			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Mary, our Father in Heaven made you worthy to become the holy Mother of His Son. Pray for us today that our joy in your Son will increase and that our families may become more holy. Jesus, please grant through Your mother's intercession that we may always bring Your love into our families. May the celebration of her birthday bring us closer to lasting peace. Amen.

Last week's collection came to £468.78. Many thanks.

SPUC Pro-Life Holy Hour ~ The Next SPUC Pro-Life Holy Hour will take place at St Patrick's, Stockton, on Thursday 18th September, from 6-7pm. Stockton Branch members look forward to seeing you. All welcome.

Next Sunday is a Day of Special Prayer for those involved in Education. The theme is 'The Son of Man must be lifted up.' There will be a second collection after Mass for 'Catholic education.'

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September ~ *For our relationship with creation* ~ Let us pray that, inspired by St Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

The Men's Club invite you to a Social in the Parish Centre on Saturday, 20th September. Quiz, Bingo and Raffle. Please bring your own drink. Everyone very welcome.

SPUC Club Draw . . The next Club Draw will take place on Sunday, 14th September in the Parish Centre following the 9am Mass. Could any outstanding monies be given to Christine, Eileen or Maurice as soon as possible. Many thanks.