

Times of Mass, Intentions and Services
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Year C – 9th November 2025

	<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 8th	<u>6:00pm Vigil Mass</u> Gordon Todd & Susan Dobson RIP (DT)	<u>9:30am</u> Intentions of Alan & Margaret (MM)	—	—
Sun 9th	<u>12:30pm</u> Mass for the Polish Community	<u>10:30am</u> Mary Marshall RIP (EC)	<u>9:00am</u> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Mon 10th	—	—	—	St Leo The Great <i>Pope, Doctor</i>
Tue 11th	—	—	<u>9:30am</u> Intentions of Karen <u>10:00am</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Martin of Tours <i>Bishop</i>
Wed 12th	<u>9:30am</u> Thomas McMaster RIP (TW)	<u>11:15am Requiem Mass</u> Mary McMaster RIP	—	St Josaphat <i>Bishop, Martyr</i>
Thur 13th	—	<u>Jubilee Pilgrimage to St. Joseph's Hartlepool</u> Forgotten Souls in Purgatory (DM)	—	—
Fri 14th	<u>5:00pm – 6:00pm</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <u>6:00pm</u> Eileen Fisher RIP (SVP)	—	—	—
Sat 15th	<u>6:00pm Vigil Mass</u> Anne & Bill Foley RIP (MF)	<u>9:30am</u> Sheila Ross RIP (PDR)	—	—
Sun 16th	—	<u>10:30am</u> Frank & Beattie Hunt RIP (B)	<u>9:00am</u> Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	33 rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Thursday 13th November
St Joseph's Legion Room
after Mass

Friday 14th November
EMSSPP Confessional
5:00pm – 5:45pm

Saturday 15th November
EMSSPP Confessional
5:00pm – 5:45pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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
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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.
The Legion of Mary: meets at St Joseph's Norton; Contact 01642 531263 for information.
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

Reflection - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

The Temple at Jerusalem was an amazing complex of buildings, covering the area of 20 football pitches. At the end of the 46 years of construction, 38,000 workers were made redundant. And Jesus says he will re-build 'this Temple' in three days!

In the Gospel of John Jesus often plays with misunderstanding ('living water', 'born again', 'true bread') to reach a deeper meaning. So the Temple was only the symbol of Jesus himself, the meeting-place between God and human beings, the channel of divine life. The really important Temple is the Risen Christ, filled with the Spirit which also gives the same life to the Church. The Feast of the Lateran Basilica is the feast of the one life of the whole Church, in which the Risen Christ promised that he would always be present, strengthening the whole. Of that presence and that corner-stone, and the unity which it provides to the Church, the Bishop of Rome is the symbol.

The symbolic 'rubbishing' of the Jerusalem Temple by Jesus reminds us that it is a Church of sinners, always in need of purification, of throwing out the rubbish and letting the fresh air in through the windows.

What can be done to further the unity of the Christian Church?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB, from Wednesday Word

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 McMaster, Trevor David, Peter Havey, Colin Clark, Michael Keyes and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Friendship Group: The Friendship Group is meeting again on a regular basis on Tuesdays in the Thornton Hall at St. Joseph's from **12:00pm –2:00pm**. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2026: Anyone still wanting to book please make sure your form is completed and your **deposit paid by 16th November** as we need to finalise numbers. Thank you.

Thank you: the collections on World Mission Sunday raised a total of £155.59. Grateful thanks to all who contributed.

Thank you for supporting CAFOD's Family Fast Day! Thank you so much for your generous contributions to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal. Your donations in our parish collection and online are helping families like Waré's in Ethiopia. CAFOD's local partners worked with Waré's community to build an underground water tank that now provides safe water for 300 families. Your support this Harvest will help more communities have better access to safe water. You can read more about Ware's story here:cafod.org.uk/harvest
The collections for CAFOD family fast day raised a total of £230.37--thank you.

There will be a Coffee Morning in Thornton Hall after Mass on Thursday 27th November with a variety of items for sale including cakes, books, etc...everyone welcome to join us for a cuppa. If anyone has items they would like to donate for a tombola in December, please contact Pat Alderson, at the Friendship Group, St Joseph's...all proceeds will be for Our Lady of Walsingham Parish....many thanks.

Holy Hikers annual Mystery Meal will be held on Sunday 16th November. Please contact David Mackintosh on 07913 021814.

The Clergy Training Fund collection remains open until 23rd November. You can still leave a donation in church, or find out how else you can donate via the donation page on the Diocesan website [here](#). The Clergy Training Fund is used to support the formation of Diocesan seminarians, who receive no funding from the state. It also supports the training of Permanent Deacons and the ongoing formation of all Clergy, helping them to grow and adapt in their ministry. Your kindness, through this annual collection, legacies and bequests is vital and very much appreciated by those preparing for ministry. It is thanks to parishioners like you, past and present, that we can support the clergy of tomorrow and ensure the flourishing of our Church. Please pray for our priests and deacons and pray that God will touch the hearts of those who feel called to serve as priests and deacons in our diocese.

2024 / 2025 Remembrance Service: The Parishes of St. Bede, English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul and St. Joseph Remembrance Service for our deceased relatives and friends will be held at **St Bede's Church Stockton on Tuesday 25th November at 7:00 pm**. Everyone is welcome. **Memorial cards are available at the back of the Church for you to complete and place in the basket. These will be brought to the altar during the service.**

Stockton Hope Larder: St Andrew Church Hardwick: We are open **every Wednesday from 10:30am until 12:30pm** offering ten items of food for a £2 donation. This service is open to anyone. We also have a warm space serving free tea or coffee and a friendly chat.
A Big THANK YOU for your cash donations all your continuing food donations every week which keeps our Larder stocked up. We are overwhelmed by your generosity, and the money donations will be very welcome to buy in more food for the larder and keep things running. In these times of rising costs we hope that in a small way we have helped families to get by, and your donations have certainly contributed to that. Blessings to you all. Thank you from Stockton Hope Trustees and Volunteers.

Significance Grand Draw: Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly, supports the work of YMT and the Emmaus Village and also awards grants to fund opportunities for young people. Thank you to all who have supported the Draw which closes on Friday 14th November. Ticket stubs and payment should be returned to Significance, Emmaus Village, Pemberton Road, Allensford, Consett DH8 9BA. Cheques payable to Significance. Payment can also be made by bank transfer: Significance Sort Code: 52-30-44 Account Number: 46107363. Please put your name as reference. The Draw, which will be live streamed, takes place on Youth Sunday 23rd November at St Mary's Hexham. Please email significance316@gmail.com for further information or to buy tickets.

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 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 and young women. Any donations please contact Karen Dick on 07759 984586. 'RASPS' would like to send their gratitude and heartfelt thanks to all those in the parish of Our Lady of Walsingham for their financial donations over the last 2 years. You have helped us stay open for another year, allowing us to welcome and serve our Asylum Seekers and Refugees in the area.

PARISH FINANCES

Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the work of our parish and for all of your fundraising efforts.
I know that these are difficult times, but if you can afford to increase your contributions, it will be most appreciated.
If you are a taxpayer, please consider signing up to the Gift Aid scheme - this is a vital additional source of income for the parish as we can claim an extra 25%of your donation direct from the Government. **Grateful thanks to those who have already done so.** Fr Mark

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.
Contact Gill in the parish office for Gift Aid details and forms. Thank you.

Adventurous Accompaniment: We are made to walk together - 9 & 16 November 2025
Our short formation programme Adventurous Accompaniment is designed to help us become better at walking with others, supporting them to see God at work. Over two sessions, you will explore how to accompany others, whether it is informally while out talking with your neighbour or over a sustained relationship with family and friends. The 'Adventure' of this formation is that God is the one leading the way. All are welcome to join the two sessions which will take place on **Sunday 9 & 16 November, 1pm-4pm, at St Vincent's Diocesan Office, St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY**. There is an introductory cost of **£10.00pp** to attend. For further information or to book your place, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DHNAventurousAccompaniment> or email Emma at formation.mission@diocesehn.org.uk .

Day of Consolation at Minsteracres on Tuesday 11th November from 10am to 4pm.
A poignant retreat day for people who have experienced bereavement, grief loss or significant change. This day will offer an opportunity to share a safe space, to be heard, to share with others who have had similar experiences and to hopefully find courage, hope and consolation. Lunch and refreshments are included. Suggested Donation £40
To book visit: <https://minsteracres.org/product/day-of-consolation-with-chris-smith-november2025/>

Emmaus Bereavement Listening Service: If you are struggling after the death of a loved one, or suffering any significant loss, and would like to share your story with someone outside your family, then a member of the Emmaus Team may be able to help. We would be privileged to support you in your loss as Jesus did for the travellers on the road to Emmaus. The members of the Emmaus team are trained in bereavement listening skills and are experienced in supporting those who are suffering loss. If you think we could help, please ring the Emmaus Bereavement Support Team on 07732 980740. Please leave your name and number and a member of the team will get in touch with you.

SVP Fundraising night: at Billingham Catholic club. Please come and join Jeremy McMurray and friends for a fundraising night of live entertainment on Tuesday 2nd December from 7:00pm. The funds raised will help with Christmas hampers for those in need. We are planning a tombola and would be very grateful for any bottles & gifts. Please leave these at the back of church. Tickets are available after Masses this weekend at £5:00each. Any queries please contact Jane Kelly on 07584 575541. Does anyone have a need for a ¾ bed (in excellent condition), or know someone in need of a bed? If you do, please speak to a member of the SVP.

A Thanksgiving Mass for 40 years of SPUC Stockton Branch will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Church by Canon Cooper at 9am on Sunday 16th November. To thank you for all your support, you are invited to join us for Holy Mass followed by light refreshments in the parish hall. God bless, Eileen Brydon.

The Cleveland Newman Circle presents 'Meeting Martha of Bethany & Mary of Magdala in the Gospels', presented by Rev Caroline Worsfold, Canon Emerita of Durham Cathedral, on **Wednesday 19th November in Middlesbrough Cathedral Hall TS8 0TW at 7:45pm** (coffee/tea from 7:30). More details from 01642 645732 or P.egerton123@gmail.com. All are welcome - Please bring a bible.

Steam, Wheels 'n' Rails ... Coming soon to St Patrick's is this exciting musical play, chronicling the story of the birth of the railways right here in our region over 200 years ago. The S&DR200 Community Players will perform this abridged period costume drama on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets are £10 and are available to reserve from briancoady@hotmail.co.uk. Please leave your selected date and ticket quantity request. Your tickets will be available to collect and pay for at the door on your chosen night.

Prayer and Liturgy News

Pope Leo XIV's Monthly Intentions – For the Prevention of Suicide
Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

JOURNEY IN FAITH 2025/26: The topic for the next Journey in Faith session is 'Who is Jesus?' - In the Thornton Hall at St Joseph's church (TS20 1EW) on Saturday 8th November at 2.00 pm.
Topics for the coming sessions are: 15 Nov - The Holy Spirit and the Church. 22 Nov - The Bible
(Source: <https://www.sycamore.fm/pathways/c-sacramental-pathways/rcia-complete/>)
If you are not a Catholic and you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith please come along. **If you are already a Catholic** and would like to deepen your faith as you journey with others, please join us!

Scriptures of Hope: In response to this Jubilee Year theme of hope, our Diocesan Writing Team were invited to share a short reflection on a scripture passage which speaks to them of hope throughout the challenges and the joys of life. What followed was a beautiful collection of reflections demonstrating how of the Word of God has been a powerful source of strength, peace and hope to each writer in many ways. We share four reflections each week. We hope you enjoy. Please visit <https://bit.ly/DHN-scriptures-of-hope> to read the collection.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Joseph's Hartlepool Thursday 13th November
For those going on the Jubilee Pilgrimage here are the details: The coach will leave EMSPP at 09:45, pick up at St Joseph's 10:00, Holy Rosary at 10:15 and then continue on to Hartlepool. The Jubilee Stations and Mass will be from 11:00 until 12:30 followed by a Fish and Chip lunch in the Parish Hall. The coach will return at 13:45 dropping off at Holy Rosary 14:15, St Joseph's 14:30 and EMSPP at 14:45
If you are no longer able to go, need help to get to the coach pick up point or are unable to travel by coach and need transport to Hartlepool, please call Alan on 07939912354 or let another member of the SVP know.

The Jubilee Prayer
Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of the kingdom.
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Readings, Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Year C

First reading **Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12**
In those days: The angel brought me back to the door of the Temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the Temple towards the east (for the Temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the Temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side. And he said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 46(45):2-3. 5-6. 8-9. ±5**

R: The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High.

1.God is for us a refuge and strength, an ever-present help in time of distress: so we shall not fear though the earth should rock, though the mountains quake to the heart of the sea.	2.The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High. God is in her midst, she cannot be shaken; God will help her at the dawning of the day.
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3.The Lord of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come and behold the works of the Lord,
the awesome deeds he has done on the earth.

Second reading **1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17**
Brothers and Sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Gospel **John 2:13-22**
The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the Temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, 'Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' So the Jews said to him, 'What sign do you show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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Thought for the Day

It's not enough to discover Christ- you must bring him to others! The world today is one great mission land, even in countries of long standing Christian traditions. *St Pope John Paul II*