



Kingship, Youth and The Young Church of Today

Today, the last Sunday of the Church's year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. It is one of the most beautiful and meaningful feasts of the year.

The concept of king and kingdom is at the very heart of Jesus' message to us. He came among us to establish the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Our King has been chosen for us by God but it is for each one of us to profess our allegiance to him. We do this not just saying so in so many words but by taking on board the fullness of his life and teaching which we find in the Gospel and in the New Testament. And, as members of his Body, we too in some strange way share in that Kingship. Today we are called to work together to expand the reality of his Kingdom in our families, in our society and in the world generally.

Today we also celebrate Youth Sunday. The youth are often referred to as the church of the future but in reality they are the young church of today.

Young people of today seem to have a strong faith, demonstrated by their attendance at Diocesan events like the source, or national events like the Flame Congress and their support through their schools for worthy and charitable causes,

but sadly they do not attend Sunday mass on a regular basis. As a church we must begin to understand the reasons why and encourage them to re-engage with regular worship or the young church of today will not have a future.

Today is a chance to pray for them and the future of our church

Fr Tom McHale
(except Monday)
502320

Fr John Bagnall
(except Wednesday)
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Deacon David Westgarth

Deacon Shaun McGee

Deacon Chris Callan

GENERAL NOTICES

Around the Partnership

Sacristan Course: **CHANGE OF DATE** Please note, for anyone signed up on the Sacristan Course which was due to take place on 28th November at St Joseph's Church - it will now take place on Thursday 5th December at St Joseph's Church, Stanley (access to the Sacristy will be through the side Sacristy door in the Church car park). We hope you can still make it!.

Partnership Christmas Lunch: Let's get together for the Partnership Christmas Fayre at the Jolly Drovers, Leadgate on Friday 13th December at 12 Noon. Carvery £8.99, 2 Course Christmas Fayre £13.95, 3 Course Christmas Fayre £18.95. Phone Elizabeth Foreman on 01207 507267.

Rome Pilgrimage Reunion/2020 Pilgrimage: On Thursday 5th December in the Lounge in the Church Hall at 6pm. We will be having a slide show of all the photographs taken if you could email them to: stpatrickconsett@aol.com. We will also be briefly discussing our next Pilgrimage which is to Spain in September 2020. All are welcome to a pizza/pasta meal for £6 in Sambuca following the meeting. Please inform St Patrick's office on 502196 if you wish to attend. All new Pilgrims are welcome to the meeting and meal.

Thursday Lunch Club J.F.K. Centre: has now been running successfully for a number of years. Up to 30 people attend each week for lunch. There are at any time 8 helpers. Their combined ages are approximately 590. It is now necessary to look to the future and hopefully encourage more helpers. To this end we would invite anyone interested to call in to the hall on any Thursday between 10-10.30am to have a cup of coffee and see the set up and hopefully to volunteer to help.

The Crafty Ladies Group, the Lounge, St Patrick's Church Hall: would be most grateful if you could donate any odd balls of wool you have no use for, especially double knitting and chunky, as our stock of wool is very low. We knit blankets for the Red Cross, trauma teddies, shoe box gifts and knitted goods for our Stall at the Christmas Fayre to raise funds for the Church. Wool can be left at the presbytery, the office or Piety Stall. This is a well attended group but new members are most welcome. We meet every Monday, except Bank Holidays, 10.00am-12noon. Look forward to seeing you there! Thank you. Margaret McArdle.

Bingo Night 29th November: with Pie & Pea Supper at Leadgate Cricket Club 7pm Tickets £3 each to support Helen O'Rourke who is running a marathon on 17th November with Impact the causes to be supported are Childreach Nepal and Burns Violence Survivor for more information telephone Helen on 07932 956694.

St. Mary's Convent's Christmas Fayre: St Mary's Convent's Christmas Fayre: on 1st December Santa will be arriving with his elves come along with the family and meet them (£2 per child). there is also various stalls and refreshments. starts 1:30 until 3:30 We are still in need of

bottles (wines and spirits) for the raffle and stalls. Thank you all in advance for your support. We can collect too. Just ring us on 01207 560288.

Red Wednesday – 27th November 2019: Aid to the Church in Need ask that we wear red and remember to pray for all Persecuted Christians around the world.

Around the Diocese

Lenten Retreat For Young Adults (aged 18-35) at Stanbrook Abbey 6-8 March 2020. £30 per person. For more information and to book, contact Sophie Taylor.
Email: spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk. Phone: 0191 4100776.

Diocesan Church Music Association: The Diocesan Church Music Association have set up a link on their page of the Diocesan website, asking parish musicians to sign up to give them an idea of the resources around the Diocese and to keep people up to date with news of workshops etc. If you would like to sign up the form can be found on the Diocesan website, clicking on 'Departments', then 'Liturgy', then Diocesan Church Music Association. Scrolling down will reveal a paragraph headed 'Join our mailing list'.

Some Definite Service: A retreat day for men discerning a vocation to priesthood.
10.30am-3.30pm Saturday 30th November at Our Lady and St. Columba's Church, Carville Road, Wallsend, NE28 6RJ. To confirm your attendance, please email: vocations@rcdhn.or.uk

St Mary's News and Notices

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 1st December 2019: Lorna Hayes, Pat Andrews, Maureen McCrory, Jimmy McCrory, Paul Nugent.

Retiring Collections: Next week: Catholic Youth

Sanctuary Candle: Anyone wishing to sponsor the Sanctuary Candle at a cost of £10, for one week, in memory of a deceased relative or a special intention, please leave information at the presbytery, with Margaret Alderson.

Sponsor a Light: Sponsor a Light on the Christmas tree in memory of a loved one @ £2 per light. All names will be read out on Sunday 22nd Dec. after Mass. All monies to parish funds. Please contact Joan Devanney on 506784.

Memorial Flowers: Due to changes in the flower team we are no longer offering the Memorial Flowers service.

Breakfast Club: In hall after 9.30am Mass. Tea, Coffee, Toast, Sausage/Bacon Sandwiches, Raffle. Everyone welcome.

Wednesday Coffee Morning: The monies raised at the Coffee Morning on 27th November will be donated to the SVP.

Christmas Afternoon Tea: on Monday December 2nd in St. Mary's hall. Doors open 12.30pm. More information at a later date.

Lighting of Christmas Tree: Will be on Saturday December 7th.

Consett Lions Club: Please hand counterfoils and money to Jimmy a.s.a.p.

Donations for Christmas Flowers: Anyone wishing to make a donation for Christmas Flowers, please hand into the parish office. Thank you to all for your continued support.

St. Cuthbert's Care Advent Appeal 2019: This Advent we ask that you consider supporting our Red Van. Over the last two years, our Red Van has delivered thousands of food parcels, good quality clothing and toys to some of the most needy families and individuals in our Diocese. Your Advent Alms will help us to keep this essential service on the road. Thank you.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day: Thanks to those who contributed to the October Fast Day : £420.10p will be used particularly to provide clean accessible water

Newsletter items to be in office by Tuesday evening please.

Office

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 10am-2pm Tel: 01207-502320

Email: stmarysblackhill@outlook.com.

Our Lady's News and Notices

Readers:

B Powell

Eucharistic Ministers:

For the Altar, S Smith & D Watson.

For the sick, S Smith & T Dixon

Cleaners:

J Grady & D Goule

Retiring Collection:

Next Week: Catholic Youth

Coffee Mornings: on Monday mornings after after Mass or the Service of the Word.

Service of the Word and Communion: will continue every Tuesday.

Justice & Peace: The Diocesan Refugee and Asylum Seekers Project :-

WHAT IS OFFERED at Our Lady of Lourdes Deaf Centre in Newcastle

All asylum seekers are welcome to visit us throughout the day during opening hours (Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11am to 1.45pm) where they can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, snacks and meet with friends. They sign for and receive a bag of groceries once each week. Those who are destitute also receive £25/month. We are a charity which supports adults only, registering people 18 years and over.

As Christmas approaches, can you ensure any donations are left in the green box at the back of church by December 1st so that I can visit the Centre during that week. It is best not to leave any other donations until the New Year.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day: Thanks to those who donated at OLOR, £108.33p received

Church Hall Hire:

If anyone wishes to hold a function in the church hall over the Christmas period please contact R Fenwick.

Items for the Newsletter Items for the newsletter to be in the church post box or by e mail to rayfenwick@talktalk.net by 10.00am Tuesday morning.

St Patrick's News and Notices

Readers: 24th November: S Reed
1st December: C Westgarth

Ministers: 24th November: M Dimambro, R Huntley, M Lenaghan, M Walton, J McMenamin
1st December: T Mulholland, C Robson, C Thirlwell, P Thirlwell, P Walls

Retiring Collections: This Week: Youth Sunday Next Week: Advent Alms

Services this week: Service of the Word and Holy Communion Monday 10am. Novena to Our Lady Monday 7.00pm.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: is said every first Friday of the month at 9.30am followed by Holy Mass.

60th Jubilee Anniversary Events: 13th December St Patrick's School Christmas Carol Afternoon (time tbc)

Christmas Party 60/70's Theme: as part of the 60th Anniversary Celebrations we are having a 60/70s theme Fancy Dress Christmas Party on Saturday 14th December in the Church Hall from 7pm until 11pm. Tickets are £3 each available from the back of Church and Parish Office.

Salvation Army Celebrating Christmas: 13th December at 7pm. Tickets on Sale Now £5. Proceeds in aid of "Food 4 U" Consett Food Bank. Featuring Children from the Grove County Junior School and Consett Junior School. Supported by Consett Salvation Army Band and Songsters.

Christmas Fayre: To be held on Saturday 30th November. Tombola prizes (cosmetics and gifts), Raffle Prizes and Bottles will be greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets are on sale now.

300 Club winners for October:

£20 No.150 J Tait £10 No. 9 P Walls & Family £10 No. 176 J McMenamin

Church Hall Please note, when booking an event, party, meeting in the Church Hall, you MUST fill in a booking form which is available either by email or from the Hall Manager, Gale Smith. This is to avoid any confusion over bookings. Thank you

Notice Board: All items for the Church notice board must first be shown to Fr John.

Newsletter items: All items for the newsletter to be in by 6pm Tuesday evening to stpatricknews@aol.com

St Pius News and Notices

Christmas Raffle: Tickets on sale now. Please bring any donated prizes to Church on 1st December together with any sold books and monies. Thank you. Sue McGee.

Save the Day: December 7th – Children's activity from 1pm – 3pm. Raffle draw, bingo and quiz from 7.30pm at Castleside Club. December 15th – Annual advent service in Church at 4pm.

Gift Aid: An amount of £1721.09 has been received by the Parish.

Red Boxes: All holders of Red Boxes please bring them to church for counting. Thank you.

Clergy Training Fund: Collection for this will remain open until 24th November.

Food Bank: A box is now permanently available in the entrance foyer for donations. Should you wish to donate money for food, or help with the taking of donations to Glenroyd House, please speak to Maria Devlin. Any christmas goodies please give by 1st December. Thank you.

Service of the Word & Holy Communion: Wednesday 10 am (Also Monday 10 am if no Mass)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: From 9.30 am before 10 am Mass each Thursday.

Benediction on Wednesday Evenings: Each Wednesday evening from 6.00 pm there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Evening Prayer at 6.45pm followed by Benediction. Please take this opportunity to come and spend some time in prayer at the midpoint of your week.

100 Club: Please consider joining this club. Numbers are 50p per week and all profits go to Church Funds. Winning numbers are on the notice board. Prizes of £50, £20 and 3 x £10 awarded monthly

Coffee Mornings: After 9.30am Mass on Sundays and 10am Mass on Mondays – always a great way to catch up.

Parking: Please consider our neighbours when parking your car.

Statue of Our Lady: With Mrs Irvine .

There are vacancies on the rota to have the statue of Our Lady for one week at a time. If you want to join there is a list at the back of Church.

Church Cleaning Rota: 18th November – Group D – M Welch and M Davey

Ministries: 1st December 2019:

Reader: Sue McGee

Extraordinary Minister: Lisa Hicks

Newsletter Items: By 6pm Tuesday to 7, Consett Park Terrace or
susan.j.mcgee@btopenworld.com

Our Lady and St Joseph's News and Notices

Eucharistic Ministers: November 23rd M. Harker, J. Carr, M. McCabe,
November 30th M. Murphy, P. McNally, R. Dixon,

Readers: November 23rd R. Naylor November 30th M. Parkinson

660 Club Winning Numbers

(£50) - 388 (£20) – 552 (£10) – 336 (£5) – 248

Advent Collections: During Advent the collections during Weeks 1, 3 and 4 will be for Advent Alms. Week 2 will be for Christmas Flowers.

Collection: Today the retiring collection will be for Catholic Youth Ministry in our Diocese.

St. Joseph's Hall – Advent Tea and Coffee: Beginning in the season of Advent, you are invited to tea, coffee, scones and biscuits (and to share the craic) after the Tuesday 10am Mass at St. Joseph's Hall, Leadgate. First dates are December 3rd, 10th and 17th. Can those who are volunteering to help please meet for a short session after Mass on Tuesday 26th November. Many thanks!

Bingo Night 29th November with Pie & Pea Supper: at Leadgate Cricket Club 7pm Tickets £3 each to support Helen O'Rourke who is running a marathon on 17th November with Impact the causes to be supported are Childreach Nepal and Burns Violence Survivor for more information telephone Helen on 07932 956694.

Christmas Lunch at the Jolly Drovers on Friday 13th December: There are a few last-minute things to settle. 1.) If you are having a starter or sweet please name it on sign-up sheet. 2.) All names are needed by December 3rd – thank you! If you are wheelchaired or need a lift ring 507267 before 3rd December. 3.) If you would like to stay for bingo after the meal please ring the same number or write 'B' after name on sign-up sheet.

Rosaries: Rosary beads are needed for use in Brooms primary school. If you have any spare can you please pass them to Father John or leave them at the piety stall in church. Thank you to those who have already kindly donated.

1p and 2p Sudan SVP Appeal at Brooms: Please keep donating your 1p and 2p coins to this worthy cause. £1.00 worth of your copper feeds a baby for a week. Thank you for your generous contributions so far, which makes a total of £1,580.

Justice and Peace Refugee Project (Our Lady of Lourdes Centre, Newcastle): Thank you for your continuing donations. Items which the centre are currently low on are tinned fish and biscuits.

Thought for the Week: Sign seen outside a church: 'Whoever is praying for rain, please stop.'

Partnership Newsletter Rep for Brooms All newsletter items must be received by Tuesday evening. Contact Christine Wilks on 01207 501869 or wilksc68@yahoo.com

Anniversaries:

St Mary's: John McGough, Sadie Seaton, Teresa Georgina McNally, Betty McArdle, John Corr, Edward Ryans, Sheila Patricia Hoy, Martha Grimes, Rose Hodson, Elizabeth Joyce Gibson, Margaret Grayson, Mary Murphy, Wilfrid Quinn, Jennie Winter, Kathleen Hillery, Gerard Irving, Clara Winifred Anderson, Veronica Bradley, James Daly and James McGee.

Our Lady of the Rosary: Joseph McKie

St Patrick's: Mary Naughton, Jimmy Arthur Clarke, Mary Teresa Stevens, Sheila Elder, John O' Neill, Catherine Rafferty, Catherine Connelly, Hugh Malone, Dominick McGurk, Catherine Donaghy, Richard Forbes, Terry Burns, Mary Burnage, Mary Theresa Hughes, Joseph Raw, Flora Nimmons, Tommy O'Neill, Mary Donaghy and Alan Foley.

St Pius X: Thomas Cooke, Thomas Creegan, Arthur Donaghy and Richard Forbes.

Our Lady & St Joseph's: Ged Doughan and Sydney Fountain.

Those who are sick in our Parish

We keep in our prayers

St Mary's: Paul Wass, Ryan McBeath, Tilly Lockey, Kieran Richard Atkinson, Amelia Burns, Norman Riches, Ethan White, James Thomas English, David Sizmy, Eileen Fannon, Mary Barnes, Arron Armstrong, Rita Atkinson, Freya Simpson, Maddy Kennedy, Mark Adams, Jack Nugent, Donna Philips, Joan Kennedy, Tom Slane, Tony Quinn, Julianne Kennedy, John Winch, Eileen Haughey, Catherine Murphy, Jimmy McGuigan, Catherine Hester, David Oliver. Teresa Rogan, Sarah June Quinn, Thomas Eccles and John Ross.

Our Lady of the Rosary: James Baker

St Patrick's: Eileen Fish, Margaret Heslop, Anna Bradley, Martin Rogan, Cheryl Reilly, Judith Hindmarsh, Nora Robson, Veronica Naisbett, Geraldine Donnelly, Bob Thomas and Margaret Naughton.

St Pius: vy Agnew, Joseph Agnew, Gerry Akers, Dot Atherton, Marie Atherton, Martin Daly, Rita Daly, Stuart Forster, Ann Hodgson, Paul Hunt, Nancy Malone, Gerry McArdle, Joan McGee, Danny Morton, Robert Nixon Jr., Charlie O'Donnell and Jade Telford.

Our Lady & St Joseph's: Sue Robertson, Rose Jackson, Thomas Williamson, Doreen Peveller.

Partnership Prayer

Risen Christ, from your abundant grace,
pour out afresh your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese.
As we build on the deep foundations of faith
laid by the countless saints of these Northern lands,
by Aidan and Cuthbert, Hilda and Bede
may our Partnerships continue the mission
of building your Kingdom on the earth:
to give living witness to your love,
and to your compassion and hope for our world.
We pray in trustful confidence
that your power working in us
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Patrick's: every Saturday 11am - 11.50am or by appointment or on request.

Our Lady and St Joseph's: Saturday evening from 4.45pm - 5.15pm

St Pius X: Thursday morning from 9.30am - 9.55am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St Mary's: every Tuesday morning 10.30 - 11.30am.

Our Lady of the Rosary: every Friday 9.30 - 10.00am

St Pius X: An hour before Mass on Monday, Wednesday at 6.00pm and half an hour before communion services on Wednesday.

St Patrick's: Half an hour before each weekday mass with recital of morning prayer of the church. Saturday 11.00am - 12 Noon exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Saturday of the month from 11.00am - 12 Noon and after Mass until 4.00pm.

Novena to Our Blessed Lady: St Patrick's Monday at 7.00pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Is said every first Friday of the month at 9.30am

Baptism Preparation Form

Please deliver the completed form to St Mary's or St Patrick's Presbytery. If you have any queries ring St Mary's 502320 or St Patrick's on 502196