

Corpus Christi, St. Peter's and Holy Rosary Parishes

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Everyone is welcome - without exception

32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - Year A 12th November 2023

CORPUS CHRISTI

Sunday 12th Nov 9.15am - Open Intention

Monday 13th Nov 10.00am - Communion Service

Tuesday 14th Nov 10.00am - Zoom Service

Wednesday 15th Nov 10.00am - Communion Service

Thursday 16th Nov 10.00am - Mass - Open Intention

Friday 17th Nov 10.00am - Communion Service

Sunday 19th Nov 9.15am - Open Intention

ST PETER'S

Saturday 11th Nov 5.00pm - Exposition & Confession

6.00pm

- Richard & Hannah Mahaffey+

Sunday 12th Nov 11.00am - Eleanor & Family, Beadnell

Wednesday 15th Nov 10.00am - Michael Douglas+

Saturday 18th Nov 5.00pm - Exposition & Confessions

6.00pm - Mrs Margaret Seach+

Sunday 19th Nov 11.00am - Millicent Neale+

Sunday Readings

First Reading

Book of Wisdom 6:12-16

Response to the Psalm,

For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

Second Reading

First letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

Eucharistic Prayer IV for Various Needs including its Preface

The Sick of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick in our parishes and communities. Whilst we do not list the names of those who are sick, there are quite a few people who would appreciate us praying with and for them; God knows all those we include.

OPEN MASS INTENTIONS

If Open Intention is written after Mass in the weekly diary of Masses, it means that the intention for the Mass is available. Please let Fr Paul know before Mass if you would like to place an intention for the Mass on the day.

A couple of points

As you may have noticed, we have stopped ringing the bells during the consecration at Mass. The bells were originally introduced centuries ago when the congregation couldn't see what was happening as the priest celebrated Mass with his back to the congregation. The servers also raised a black cloth so that the Blessed Sacrament could be seen against the dark cloth. As we can now see what is happening, to have a moment of silence when the Blessed Sacrament is shown to the congregation can often be more profound. Silence in our lives is missing so often, that opportunities throughout the Mass are important to hold on to.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA)

Do you have a problem with alcohol? Call free on 08009177650 or help@aamail.org Locally, you can contact the following in confidence: Paul 07554665116 or Ryan 07745273686

Little Sisters of the Poor – Christmas Fayre

The Little Sisters of the Poor are having a Christmas Fayre at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle 1pm-4pm on Saturday 25th November. All are welcome to attend.

FOOD CO-OP

Donations can be brought to Corpus Christi Church Monday 9.30am -12.00pm and Tuesday before 10.30am or St Peter's in the container provided near the hall door. Food will be collected from St Peter's on Monday and Tuesday at 8.30am. Items needed: Fresh fruit and vegetables, long life milk, eggs, and pasta sauce.

JOE'S PLACE

Joe's Place is appealing for the following items which can be placed in the containers at the back of Corpus Christi Church and at St Peter's near the hall door. Tins of ham, corned beef, minced beef and stewing steak; cake (to go with custard); chocolate biscuits individually wrapped.

DONATIONS ARE WELCOME FOR THE FOOD COOP & JOE'S PLACE In these challenging times, the number of people coming along is increasing. Food donations are needed more than ever & are gratefully received.

FOOD COOP Account Name: Soul Food Spaces

Sort Code: 08-92-99

Account Number: 65851838

JOE'S PLACE Account Name: DHN Gateshead St Joseph Joe's Place

Sort Code: 40-34-45

Account Number: 41153080

Date for your Diary:

Christmas Carol Service Sunday 3rd December 3.30pm in St Peter's Church

This is a family service with singing, readings and a nativity tableau led by the Holy Island Ladies Choir together with readers and children of the parish. Further information for children wanting to take part in the tableau to follow.

SIGNIFICANCE GRAND DRAW

Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly, supports the work of the Emmaus Village and provides opportunities for young people to reach their full potential.

Thank you to all who have supported the Draw which closes on **Friday 17**th **November.** Tickets are on sale after Mass from Mary Hughes. Please return all ticket stubs and payment by this date to Mary or 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 26th November after 11am Mass at St Peter's.** Please contact significance316@gmail.com for further information.

WREATH MAKING AFTERNOON

Why don't you come along and join us to make your own Christmas wreath?

St Peter's Church Hall Saturday 9th December 12.30

All you need to bring is yourself and any refreshments you may require (tea/coffee will be available for a small donation)

All resources will be provided cost £ ** - the price will be confirmed next week!

please let Fr Paul or Claire know if you would like to attend.

Proud Catholics Reading with Care: Queer Perspectives on the Bible

Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East? We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at St Andrew's RC Church, Worswick St.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **21st November**, **at 7.30pm**. We will examine some of the Biblical texts which are used against LGBTQ+ people, considering whether alternative interpretations are possible. Zoom link available, get in touch if interested. This will be followed by our usual social time and bring-and-share refreshments

INVITATION FROM THE SACRED HEART SISTERS IN FENHAM

The Society of the Sacred Heart has spent the last year giving thanks and celebrating their arrival in England on December 8th, 1842. This year the celebration of our 180 years in this country draws to a close on **December 8th**, 2023. We, the sisters in Fenham, would like to invite those who have shared our mission of Education in Fenham over the years as students, pupils, staff and friends from the Sacred Heart schools or St Mary's Teacher Training College to join us for Mass in **St Robert's Church, Bolbec Rd, Fenham at 6.p.m.** on that day. Come along and meet old friends.

Bishop Seamus will be the celebrant as he was the College Chaplain for many years.

To have some idea of numbers for the Mass leaflets please RSVP to <u>rscjfenham@yahoo.com</u> by **November 30**th or leave a message on 0191 422 3840

In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human success, but rather on how much we have loved!

CORPUS CHRISTI AND ST PETER'S OUTREACH GROUP

Thank you for the wonderful response to the Appeal for Toiletries. The next meeting of the Outreach Group takes place this **Tuesday 14th November 7.30pm** in St Peter's Hall. All are welcome to come along as we continue to plan the Christmas Project and the Carol Service.

St Wilfrid's Primary School need your help!

We are looking for volunteers to listen to our children read. If you can spare even just a half hour a week, we would love to welcome you at St Wilfrid's. You will be making a valued impact to our wonderful pupils. All you would need to do is visit our school to complete a DBS (at no charge) and then you can visit at your convenience.

For more information you can call the school on: 0191 477 1909.

PASTORAL CARE

As our bills continue to increase, money is becoming tighter for many. If you are struggling financially, please be assured that we will help where possible. The Emergency Fund is there to help parishioners in need. All enquiries will be treated with the utmost confidence. Please do not struggle alone or think there is no help available.

If you have any worries or concerns or if you are struggling financially, please don't hesitate to contact:

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