



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

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Everyone is welcome - without exception

Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year B 17th March 2024

Sunday Readings from Year A

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-1

**Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption**

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

Preface for Sunday of Lent/Eucharist Prayer II for Reconciliation



2024			Corpus Christi		St. Peter's	
Sat	16th March	Weekday of Lent	-	-	4.45pm 6.00pm	Exposition & confessions Richard & Hannah Mahaffey
Sun	17th	5th Sunday of Lent	9.15am	Joseph & Anastasia Hearne	10.30am 11am	Exposition Mike Hunter
Mon	18th	Weekday of Lent	9.30am 10am	Exposition Eucharistic Service		No Mass
Tues	19th	St Joseph, Hus- band of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am 10am	Exposition Eucharistic Service		No Mass
Wed	20th	St Cuthbert, Patron of the	-	-	9.30am 10am	Exposition People of the Parish
Thurs	21st	Weekday of Lent	9.30am 10am	Exposition Jimmy & Audrey Peacock	- 7.15pm	Stations of the Cross
Fri	22nd	Weekday of Lent	9.30am 10am	Stations of the Cross Eucharistic Service		
Sat	23rd	Weekday of Lent	-	-	4.45pm 6.00pm	Exposition & confessions Deceased members of the Wil- kinson & Mahaffey Families
Sun	24th	Palm Sunday	9.15am	Ann Gifford & San-	10.30am	Exposition

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 at the back of church or in the container provided. Items needed: **Fresh fruit and vegetables, long life milk, biscuits, pasta sauce, rice.**

JOE'S PLACE

Donations can be brought to church at the weekend or placed in the container provided near St Peter's hall door.

Items needed: **Chocolate Biscuits (individually wrapped), Tins of ham, mince and corned beef; tins of potatoes, peas and carrots; cake to go with custard (e.g. syrup, ginger, madeira, sultana)**

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

COMMUNITY SUPPORT - FOOD COOP Dear Supporters,

This week 53 families and 38 single people have chosen and collected food from the Food Co-op (136 adults and 102 children). Donations were received from several local churches, a primary school, Gateshead Food bank, individual supporters and two other places that offer food who had a small surplus. All these donations were gratefully received. As usual, the tea, coffee and soup area were very busy. Additional refreshments were kindly given by a choir who had had a 'cake and chorus' evening. The cake was a real treat. Three donations of quantities of bread were a bonus enabling us to supply all members with a loaf or pack of bread buns.

This week the Migrant Health Nurse from the QE and the nurse from Second Street visited over the course of the morning. Both are proactive in helping members and engaging with them when they attend. They are a most welcome addition to our Tuesday morning session.

We intend to distribute Easter treats on Tuesday 26th March and are grateful that we are starting to receive chocolate eggs and oil for our members. On **April 2nd** there will be no Food Co-op due to Easter week but will be open again on the 9th April.

Thankyou for your continued commitment, Kath

JOE'S PLACE

On 13 March 2024 we served –

30 portions of scrambled egg, 68 chicken casseroles, 84 toasties, 24 helpings of cake and custard and 20 fruit crumbles

We used –

3 tins of corned beef, 8 boxes of instant mash, 12 loaves of bread, 5kg chicken, 1 box of gravy mix, 2 tins of baked beans, 6 packets of casserole veg, 6 tins of carrots, 6 tins of peas, 4 tins of ham, 3 tins of tuna, 60 eggs, 50 cheese slices, 15 tins/packets of custard, 2 packets of crumble mix, 6 tins of fruit, 4 cakes, plus oranges, bananas, butter and salad

We regularly need gifts of -

Corned beef, ham, pork, tinned potatoes, mince, stewed steak, peas, carrots, dumpling mix, crumble mix, cakes and custard
Please leave donations in the church porch or in the container provided.

*****Volunteers for our kitchen are always welcome*****

Read Easy

Read Easy is looking for volunteers to help run a group in your area. This is a chance to work with a small group of like-minded people to offer life-changing opportunities to local people who cannot read. To find out more please contact:

gstpioneer@readeasy.org.uk

ALCOHOLICIS 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

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:

**Fr Paul 0191 487 6505 or email saintpeterscatholicparish@gmail.com
Deacon Tom Rooke 0191 477 1428 or email corpus1936@gmail.com**

This week

I am sorry that I had to cancel/postpone the day of reflection from today. Unfortunately I have managed to pick up a particularly unpleasant bug. I will however put the day of reflection on as soon after Easter as I can, with the same theme as I think it is a very beautiful one.

I hope to be back to full strength early in the week.

You are all in my prayers and I ask that you pray for me as I try to recover.

I hope to be able to celebrate Mass on Wednesday and Thursday, but I am very unsure about Monday and Tuesday which is why I have cancelled them.

Thank you for your understanding.

Fr. P

Stations of the Cross

When I was at Seminary Stations of the Cross was held once during the Lenten Season on an evening, after which we had a festive meal.

I would like to have Stations of the Cross for each parish

St. Peter's on Thursday 21st March at 7.15pm

Corpus Christ on Wednesday 27th March at 7.15pm

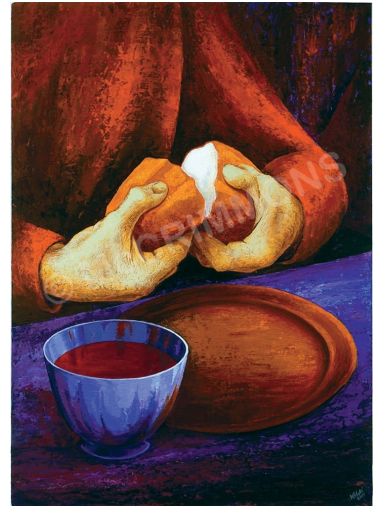
This is an opportunity for us to gather and pray these significant points leading to Jesus to his death and burial.

I will be using a version of the Stations of the Cross that many may not have seen before. It is called, 'Bread Broken'.

They are beautifully written and illustrated.

Unlike most Stations of the Cross, we will remain in our seats as I will not only have the images around the Church but will also have copies in a small booklet for those who come along.

Throughout the service we will have short opportunities for silence and personal prayer.



Exposition

Exposition before each Mass continues as we progress through Lent. It is good to see so many taking up the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in this way.

It is also moving to see how prayerful the Church is before Mass. This is something that quite a few people have commented on and I feel it is important to pass that on.

It is so good to see so many people coming into the Church as quietly as possible. I encourage us all to be ever mindful, whilst Exposition continues before Mass, to keep this in mind.

Lent is only 6 weeks long, and we are already over half way through.

Combined Liturgy Group

I would like to thank the people that have already spoken to me about being part of this combined Liturgy group. I would like to have 6 to 8 people altogether. If you have thought about speaking to me about it, please do.

I encourage every member of our community to be involved in as much as possible and this is one of the many ways you can help.

I would like the group to meet after Easter for the first time, so that we can begin to look at the year ahead.

Please do speak to me after Mass, or drop me an email if you are interested.



Each of our Sunday readings have been about personal encounters with Jesus. How have you encountered Jesus this Lent?

Forthcoming Events

Date	Event	Information
Lent	'Lectio Divina' each Wednesday evening at St. Peter's presbytery, 7pm. An opportunity to look at the scripture readings for the following Sunday	St Peter's 7pm
Lent	Sycamore - Online Sessions for Lent - How we can live out our 'Ministry of Love?'	Diocesan website or call 0191 243 3316
16/17th March	Special Collection for Missionary Orders (Mandatory collection)	All Parishes
19th March	Proud Catholics 7.30pm	St Andrew's Worswick Street
19th March	First Confessions	Corpus Christi 6.30pm
27th March	St Peter's School Mass 10am	St Peter's Church

RED MISSION BOXES

We are collecting mission money during March. If you have a mission box please empty it, count the money and place it in an envelope with your name on it plus the amount and leave it in the sacristy or put through the presbytery letterbox. Thank you for your continued support.

READERS' ROTAS 11am ONLY

Please collect your new rotas from the back of the church as soon as possible. Thank you.

ST PETER'S MONTHLY DRAW

The winners in March are:

Ann Bains Joan Pringle Emma Heslop

Job Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies:

HR Adviser, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – full-time. Closing date: 28 March
Cleaner, St Cuthbert, Durham, 10 hours a week. Closing date: 15 March

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

EASTER EGG APPEAL

Easter is fast approaching so we would like to invite all parishioners and children to help us collect together enough Easter eggs to give to all of our friends at Joe's Place & the Food Co-op. We will need approximately 269 eggs.

Modest Easter eggs will be gratefully received.

Please bring your donations to church and place in the basket in the porch, thank you!



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EASTER SERVICE TIMES

Maundy Thursday

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

St Peter's 7.30 pm

GOOD FRIDAY 3pm Corpus Christi

7pm St Peter's

EASTER VIGIL MASS 8pm Corpus Christi

EASTER SUNDAY 9.15am Corpus Christi

11am St Peter's

Diocesan Lenten Reflection Booklets

As promised, the Vicariate for Faith and Mission have produced booklets of Daily Lenten Reflections which will be available for viewing, downloading and printing from the Diocesan website, using this weblink: <https://bit.ly/DHNLentReflections>.