

## St Bede's, Usworth

Monday: 2.00pm **St Bede's Ladies Club** in the Church Hall

Tuesday: 6.30pm **Adoration**, 7.30pm **Coffee Evening** (Hall).

Wednesday: **Keep Fit** in the Church Hall.

Friday: **Hunger Lunch cancelled**

Saturday, 10am: **First Communion mass**

Saturday: **Confessions**. 12.00 - 12.30

**Help needed for Church Cleaning** - Could you spare an hour every six weeks to help with church cleaning? Monday evenings 5.30 - 6.30pm or Tuesday morning 9 - 10am. Please give your name to anyone on duty at the back of the Church.

## Our Blessed Lady, Washington

**Thursday Drop-in:** May appeal is for the Alzheimer's Society.

Saturday morning **Confessions** 11.30 - 12.30 on 14 May

**Cleaning:** Group 2.

**600 Club Winners:** for May 394. A. Atkinson, 296. B. Boyle, 74. Jean Cowan, 120. P. Keegan, 427. N. Sweeney, 47. B. Simpson, 355. J. McMahan, 294. F. Carr

**Pie & Pea Supper:** Parish rooms, Friday, 20 May. Tickets £5 available after Mass.

**Afternoon Tea:** Parish garden to celebrate the Queen's Official 90th Birthday, Saturday, 11 June.

**Washington Musical Society** presents A Grand Charity Concert in aid of The North East Alzheimer's Society on Friday 3 June at 7.15pm in North Biddick Club. Tickets £10 include buffet supper available from Anne Rodgers tel. 4160055

Don't forget we have **Exposition** 8am Thursday & Saturday and **Morning Prayer** Wednesday - Saturday 8:45am

**CAFOD WELL** Thank you all for splendid effort this Lent, £1,200 was raised to help provide clean water for those in need. This amount will be doubled with money from the Government U.K. Aid

## St John Boste, Oxclose

Wednesday: **Bible Study** (Gospel of St. John).

Saturday: 9.40am **Morning Prayer**.

**Rosary Group:** Will be held on every week during the month of May.

## Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw

**Prayer of the Church:** 15 minutes before Mass / service.

Monday: 6 - 6.45pm **Exposition & Confessions**, cancelled this week 7.30pm **Women's Guild** (Parish Centre) new members welcome.

Tuesday: 7.30pm **Bingo** (Parish Centre) all welcome.

Friday: 9am - 7pm **Adoration**, 6.40pm **Evening Prayer**.

**First Holy Communions** Please pray for all the children who are making their first Holy Communion here on Sunday 15th May and for their parents.

**LiveSimply** We are now selling bars of fair trade soap as well as liquid soap, washing up liquid, facial tissues, toilet rolls and kitchen rolls. If you are not currently a fair trade supporter please consider buying at least one fair trade product a month - there is a huge range of goods to choose from. Thanks to all who support fair trade on a regular basis.

## St Roberts

Thursday: **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament, 10am, **Holy Mass** 11.20 am, followed by **Adoration** until 3pm.

## Parish Information

**Activities in the Parish:** Please phone Anne Casey on 0191 4162262 to ensure there are no duplication in the Parish Diary.

This Sunday, 4pm at St Bede's, **Pentecost Prayer Gathering**. An opportunity to come together and celebrate in the presence of God's Holy Spirit in our lives.

Monday 16 May 6.30pm Mass at St Mary's, Bridge Street, Sunderland **Blessing of the new Chapel of Mercy**.

**St Bede and St John Boste S.V.P:** The next meeting of the S.V.P will be held at St Bede's on Tuesday 17 May at 7.30. Any interested would be members very welcome

**Parish Finance Committee** - Thursday 19 May 7pm at OLQP presbytery

**The New Rite of Confirmation**, a day for priests and catechists - this is also an opportunity for parishioners who are interested in becoming catechists Saturday 21 May 2016 St Aloysius' Church Hall, Hebburn, NE31 1BE 10.30am - 3.00pm (refreshments from 10.00am) The days are free but booking is essential. Please bring a packed lunch and confirm your attendance by emailing [adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk) or telephone on 0191 2433313

Forthcoming Services for the **Year of Mercy** Wednesday 25 May St Mary's, Bishop Auckland **Voices of Mercy**, reflections on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy A time to listen, to reflect, and explore how we might respond to what mercy invites us to do and to be...

Wed. 25 May **Visit the Sick St Cuthbert's**, Chester-Le-Street, For further information please contact: department for spirituality telephone 0191 243 3302 | email [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk)

**Bishop Séamus Cunningham:** The Bishop will next celebrate Masses at Our Blessed Lady Immaculate and St John Boste on Sunday, 29 May

## Future information

**Apostleship of the Sea Annual Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne:** Saturday, 11 June 2016.

**Pilgrimage to Ladywell, Preston.** Wednesday 29 June: Bus will pick-up at Heworth Metro. Cost approx. £15. Jose Blay, 2678693 or [josephablay114@gmail.com](mailto:josephablay114@gmail.com)

Services this week

Mon 16 May	OLQP	08.30	<b>Michael Quinn Mass in the School</b>
	SB	09.05	<b>Ena Cornforth (MG)</b>
Tue 17	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (BP)
	OLQP	09.30	<b>Dennis Wilson</b>
	OBLI	12.15	<b>Jack &amp; Vera Lawless &amp; John Callaghan</b>
Wed 18	SB	19.00	<b>John, Thomas &amp; Kathleen Cockburn, George &amp; Mary Nattress</b>
	SB	09.05	<b>Paddy Gleeson</b>
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	SJ	19.00	<b>Priest's Intention</b>
Thu 19	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	<b>Ena Cornforth (R.I.P)</b>
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (EM)
Fri 20	OLQP	09.15	<b>Betty Hopwood (JFFE) - School Mass</b>
	SJ	09.30	<b>Priest's Intention</b>
	SB	10.00	<b>Children &amp; Staff of St Bede's School</b>
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
Sat 21	OLQP	19.00	<b>Terence Hall</b>
	OLQP	09.00	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	<b>In Thanksgiving for the Angels in our lives</b>
	SB	10.00	<b>First Communion mass</b>
	SJ	10.00	Communion Service

**Next week-end: Holy Trinity**

Vigil	SB	17.00	<b>Maurice Lowther</b>
Sun May 22	SB	08.30	<b>Our Parish Family</b>
	SJ	09.30	<b>Our Parish Family</b>
	OLQP	10.00	<b>Dennis Wilson (MM)</b>
	OBLI	11.00	<b>Tom &amp; Tina Lamb</b>
	OBLI	18.00	<b>Terence Moran</b>

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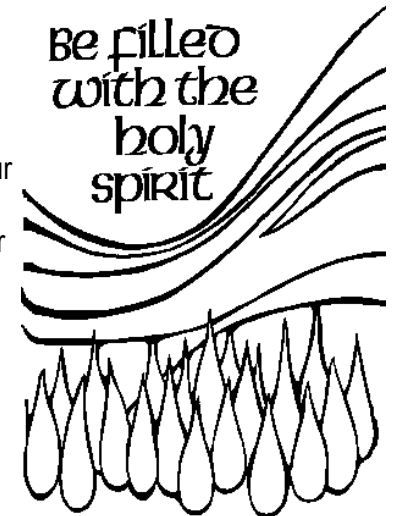
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**Our Lady Queen of Peace**, Penschaw  
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14/15 May 2016 Pentecost C

At Pentecost, we recall the Spirit of truth being poured out on the disciples of the Lord. In Acts, we see the dramatic signs that accompanied the coming of the Spirit of truth. Some may be concerned with the outward signs of our religion: a beautiful building, dignity in our worship, order in our services. Familiar words, whether thirty or three hundred years old, are preferred. Our faith is often kept private, never mentioned outside our faith communities.

Others may hope for more freedom in religious expression, for more lively and less traditional music, for less restricted buildings.

At Pentecost, the disciples shouted about their faith. They enthused about it, and expressed their feelings openly to the world. We should all have a desire for challenge and to be inspired to new ways through our religion. Whatever is our preference, we are all called today to be filled anew with the Holy Spirit. Our challenge is to recognise the Holy Spirit in ourselves, but also in each other, then we can recognise that whatever our preference in church music, we are all singing from the same hymn-sheet.



Vigil	SB	17.00	<b>Stephen Robert Bottoms</b>
Sun May 15	SB	08.30	<b>Our Parish Family</b>
	SJ	09.30	<b>Cathy and Ron Joy</b>
	OLQP	10.00	<b>Winnie Sweeney</b>
	OBLI	11.00	<b>Cosmo Dimambro</b>
	OBLI	18.00	<b>Jack, Muriel &amp; Terry Hawthorne</b>