

St Bede's, Usworth

Monday: 1.00pm **Parish Bingo** (Hall)

Tuesday: 6.30pm, **Adoration**.
7.30pm, **Coffee Evening**.

Wednesday: 12.15pm **Keep Fit** (Hall)

Saturday: 12 Noon-12.30 **Confessions**.

This Monday (22nd) mass will be celebrated at 7pm for the feast of St Bede (a few days early!) This will be followed by a social evening in the hall (shared table) when we will rename the hall the **Lindisfarne Room**, acknowledging St Bede as one of the first people to calculate and predict the tides on Holy Island. All welcome **Church Cleaning** Team B - Monday, 5.00 p.m. (Please note change in time)

Our Blessed Lady, Washington

Thursday 8.00am **Exposition - cancelled this week**
Drop In - May appeal will be for Parkinson's

UK.

Saturday: 8.00am **Exposition**
10.30-11.30am **Confessions**.

The Well will remain at the back of the church. Donations for the next three months will be for the Zambia Fund.

Beetle Drive: raised £450 for Zambia

600 Club Subscriptions for June will be collected on June 4

Cleaning: Group 3

St John Boste, Oxclose

Monday: 7.00pm **Craft Group** .

Tuesday: 11.00am **Rosary Group**.

Wednesday: **New time:** Mass is now at 7.00pm

Saturday: 9.40am **Morning Prayer**..

Church Council: The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 24 May. Please add any agenda items to the list in the porch

Please note Monday at 9.15am is a Mass not a Service.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw

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

Monday: 6-6.45pm: **Confessions & Exposition**
7.30pm, **Women's Guild** (Parish Centre).

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

Friday: 09.00-19.00 **Adoration with Evening Prayer**
6.40pm.

St Robert's School

Thursday 10.00am Adoration; 11.20 Holy Mass followed by Adoration until 3.00pm.

Parish Information

If you are organising anything in the parish (in church, hall, school or elsewhere), please phone Anne Casey on 0191 4162262.

Container: We are still waiting for **customs clearance** in Zambia. Because of the very generous and thoughtful response there were too many items to go into the container. Hopefully a smaller container (possibly a truck) will be sent over later this year

This Tuesday, 7.30pm at St Bede's: part four of a 4-week course in **Sacramental Theology** - The sacraments of healing (Reconciliation and Anointing).

Novena to The Holy Spirit commences on Friday

St John Boste Primary are looking to appoint a lunchtime supervisory assistant as soon as possible to work 8 hours per week. Closing date 24 May Noon. For more details please contact the school on 01912193800 or www.stjohnbostepimary.org.uk

Special Collections 28 May World Communications Day **The Gathering;** Will you come to Give and Receive? Will you be one with us? Prayer and Praise Input Healing Prayer . Every third Sunday of the month Beginning on Sunday 21 May. 3.30pm – 5.00pm At St. Joseph's Church, Gateshead Next to Metro. Everyone is welcome! For any questions email: pat.kennedy@diocesehn.org.uk or tel: 0191 243 3313.

A peer support group for those with mental health concerns, such as depression, is now running in Newcastle at Brunswick Methodist Church, Brunswick Place, Newcastle, NE1 7BJ every Thursday evening, 7 – 8.30pm. This PeerTalk project is underpinned by the Methodist Church and offers a safe space to share without being judged. Be heard, respected and accepted, and receive peer support to help anyone work through mental health concerns.

Future Information

Saturday 10 June, 11am at the cathedral: mass of thanksgiving for the **Sacrament of Marriage**.

The Ministry of Consolation: Saturday 10 June 2017 10:30am - 3:30pm Ushaw College. For many people, bereavement begins before the death of a loved one, and the person themselves often feels a deep need for support and consolation. This day will help us look at these needs and how people and parishes can respond to them. To book for free: Tel 0191 243 3302 or Email: spirituality@diocese.org.uk - (Lunch provided sponsored by Walker & Morrell Funeral Directors).

CAFOD are organising a Charity Fundraising evening at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Birtley on Saturday 10 June from 7.00 p.m. With music by 2econd Wind who play music from the 60s up to the present day. CAFOD will also be promoting Connect 2 -their parish twinning scheme. Tickets cost just £3 each. You are invited to bring along some food for a shared table. There is a licensed bar. If you would like tickets please contact Malcolm Bengston on 4169804 or hexhamandnewcastle@cafod.org.uk Thank you

Celebration of the work of the S.V.P. and the 'Minnie Vinnies' - children from all our partnership primary schools will come together with our S.V.P. members and parishioners at St John Boste Church on Friday 16 June Mass at 11:30am followed by refreshments - please join our celebration and encourage our young people!

A Parish trip to Lindisfarne will take place on Sat 17 June and we hope as many parishioners as possible will join us? The bus is £10 for adults and free for children and will leave OLQP, Station Road at 9.30am. There will be an opportunity for anyone who wishes to walk across the causeway on arrival and there will be Mass on the island at 12.30. We will picnic after Mass and people will be free to explore the island as they wish before departure at 6.30pm. Anyone who wishes to go should contact Mrs Ludford on 0191 3854545 by Monday 12 June.

Services this week

Mon May 22	SJ	09.15	Priest's intention
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	OLQP	19.00	Rt Rev David Thomas RIP
	SB	19.00	In Hon of Our Blessed Lady
Tue May 23	SJ	09.15	Eleanor & Maldwyn Roberts
	OLQP	09.30	Fr Chris Jackson in thanksgiving 70th birthday
	OBLI	Noon	Deceased OLOFF Club Members
	SB	19.00	Peace in the World
Wed May 24	SB	09.05	Holy Souls
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	SJ	19.00	Priest's intention
	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
Thu May 25	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (EM)
	OBLI	09.30	First Holy Communion Children
Fri May 26	OLQP	11.00	School Mass of Thanksgiving 80th Anniversary (in school)
	SB	09.15	St. Bede's Schoolchildren in school
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	SJ	09.30	Priest's intention
Sat May 27	OLQP	19.00	Priest's intention
	OLQP	09.00	Communion Service
	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	Paddy Fitzpatrick
	SJ	10.00	George & Elizabeth Donkin

7th Sunday of Easter Yr A

Vigil	SB	17.00	Maureen Naylor
Sun	SB	08.30	Our Parish Family
	SJ	09.30	Deceased members of Casey & Cox Families
May 28	OLQP	10.00	Our Parish Family
	OBLI	11.00	Fr Kevin Gallagher
	OBLI	18.00	Joan Scott

Please remember in your prayers:

Barry Ainger
Michael Anderson,
Andrew, Mary Askew,
Maria Barrell, Vivien Bell,
Debbie Binns,
Billy Bulch,
Tricia Carr,
Pat Coyle,
Ophelia Davies,
Willie Day,
Lynn Ditchburn,
Fred and Freda Fletcher,
Brian Flurry, Katy Foggin,
Terry Ford, Barbara Foster,
Jenny Gilmaney,
Sheila Hepple, Mary Hill,
Andrew Hughes,
Holly Hunter, Paul Iley,
Godfrey Keefe,
Annette Keitel, Jade Kemp,
Stephen Kenyon Jnr,
George McAfferty,
Joan McHale,
Joseph McIntyre,
Rose McMahon,
June Matthews, Mary Maw,
Lloyd McLinden
Peter Milroy,
Madge Mullen,
George O'Donnell,
Chris Palmer, Brian Purvis,
Marie Robson, Molly Shiel,
Ronnie Shields,
Mary Skilcorn,
George Stagg,
John Tilley, Vicky Tindall,
Frank Tracey,
Wendy Tufton, Liz Ward,
Stephen Willey,
Freda Winter

Recently deceased

John Sweeney
Maureen Naylor

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Incorporating:

Our Blessed Lady Immaculate, Washington
Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw
St Bede, Usworth
St John Boste, Oxclose



20/21 May 2017 Easter 6A

The Promised Spirit

Several years ago, a missionary in China built a small church for his new Christians. On an inside wall of the church he drew a huge triangle to stand for the Holy Trinity. In the first corner of the triangle, he drew an eye, symbolising God the Father. In the second corner of the triangle, he drew a cross, symbolising God the Son. In the third corner of the triangle, he drew a dove, symbolising God the Holy Spirit. After he had finished the drawing, an old Chinese woman came up to him and said: "Honourable Father and his eye I understand; honourable Father sees everything we do. Honourable Son and his cross I understand; honourable Son died on the cross for us. But honourable Holy Spirit and his bird I do not understand." How do we understand the Holy Spirit? The Spirit (power) of God has been around always, as the story of creation tells us: *The Spirit of God hovered over the water*. The same Spirit was there at the birth of Jesus, when Mary was told: *The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you*. Finally, on the day of Pentecost, which we celebrate in two weeks' time, we are told that: *The Spirit hovered over the apostles like tongues of flame*. Basically, the Holy Spirit is the perfect love of God which is available for each one of us, especially at significant moments of our lives.



Vigil	SB	17.00	Our Parish Family
Sun	SB	08.30	Joan Curtin
	SJ	09.30	Larry Carr (RIP)
May 21	OLQP	10.00	Kenneth Widd
	OBLI	11.00	Tom & Tina Lamb
	OBLI	18.00	Our Parish Family