

St Bede's, Usworth

Tuesday: 6.00pm, **Adoration**, 6-6.45pm, **Confessions**, 7.30pm, **Coffee Evening**

Saturday: **Confessions cancelled.**

Please note: changes in time and day for confessions. Would all **key holders** please sign the list in the sacristy stating which keys you have. If you will not need the keys before the end of September then please hand them in to one of the sacristans.

200 Club: Subscriptions for the September draw will be collected after both Masses this weekend. In order to keep the club going we are in need of new members. If you are not a member or if you would consider taking an extra number please let us know.

Justice & Peace Group: Cafod self-denial envelopes due for collection next weekend.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw

Prayer of Church: 15 minutes before service.

Monday: 6-645 pm, **Confessions & Exposition.**

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.**

Our Blessed Lady, Washington

Drop In Appeal - August, Great North Air Ambulance.

July £400 sent to Cancer Research & £250 sent to Grace House, Sunderland. Thank you for all donations.

Saturday: 8am, **Exposition**, 10.30am -11.30am, **Confessions and Exposition.**

Cleaning: Group 1

Latin Classes resume Sunday 10 September.

The Well will remain at the back of the church for donations to the CAFOD clean water project.

600 Club: Subs collected on Sunday 3rd September.

St John Boste, Oxclose

Monday: 7pm, **Craft Club continues** throughout the summer holidays except for 28 August, Bank Holiday Monday.

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

Midweek Pattern for Mass and Confessions:

Monday OLQP: 6-6.45pm, Exposition and Confessions.	7.00pm: Mass.
Tuesday St Bede: 6-6.45pm, Exposition and Confessions.	7.00pm: Mass.
Thursday OBLI: 8-9am Exposition	9.15am: Mass
Friday St John: 8.45-9.15am Exposition	9.30 am Mass Confessions after Mass.
Saturday OBLI: 8-9am Exposition	9.15am Mass. 10:30-11.30am Confessions.

Morning or Evening Prayer will be said 15 minutes before Mass in each Church.

Nora Wade would like to send thanks to Fr Mark for his love and support during John's short illness. The funeral Mass was very moving. Many thanks to the choir and all who sent cards, flowers and condolences.

St Robert of Newminster School

Adoration: Cancelled until after the school holidays.

Parish Information

CAFOD campaign - Tell Sainsbury's: Don't ditch

Fairtrade. Sainsbury's is the largest retailer of Fairtrade products in the UK. They've decided to abandon Fairtrade certification on some of their own-brand tea products and pilot their own scheme instead, known as 'Fairly Traded'. Tea farmers in Africa have publicly opposed the move away from the Fairtrade Mark as it takes away their power to decide where to invest the Fairtrade Premium in their communities. We are concerned that this new 'Fairly Traded' tea, and any products that follow it, could mean an unfair deal for poor farmers. For more information and to sign the petition visit <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Fairtrade>

Future Information

Medjugorje Retreat at Minsteracres Friday 13 to Sunday 15 October, cost £125. Booking forms available from Marian Fletcher Tel:0191 4174413.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AoS) – Mass at Hexham and Newcastle Cathedral. Please come and join in the celebration of Holy Mass at 12:05pm at St Mary's

Cathedral, Hexham and Newcastle on Friday 22 September 2017. It is an opportunity to pray for seafarers and the work of the AoS in ports of your diocese. A reception will follow the Mass. For more information contact salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

Interested in mental wellbeing and a good listener? **PeerTalk**, a charity underpinned by the Methodist Church, is looking for volunteers to help run a second peer support group for people living with depression in Newcastle. Training Day is on Saturday 16 September at , The Copthorne Hotel, The Close, Quayside, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 3RT, 10am – 4pm. More details at www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/volunteer or contact admin@peertalk.org.uk

Please pray for Fr Tony and his move to Newton Aycliffe. We will have the opportunity to come together as a whole parish of all four churches to offer our thanks for his ministry with us and to pray for him at a Mass on St Matthew's Day Thursday 21 September, 7pm at St Bede's Church. Fr Deni is also leaving so we will have the opportunity to thank him too. There will be a gap between Fr Tony leaving & Fr O'Keefe arriving on the weekend of October 7 & 8, so Fr Tony is kindly going to help out with some things during September.

Services This Week

Mon 28 August	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (SB)
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	OLQP	19.00	John Wade
Tue 29 August	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (AT)
	OLQP	09.30	Communion Service
	OBLI	Noon	Communion Service
	SB	19.00	In Honour of St Joseph
Wed 30 August	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (MB)
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
Thu 31 August	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (VC)
	OBLI	09.15	Alec Bell
	OLQP	10.00	Communion Service
Fri 01 Sept	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	SJ	09.30	Paul Lyons
	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
Sat 02 Sept	OLQP	09.00	Communion Service
	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	Peter Madden
	SJ	10.00	Communion Service (TJ)

2/3 September - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil	SB	17.00	Our Parish Family
Sun 03 Sept	SB	08.30	Janet Johnson
	SJ	09.30	The Sick of the Parish
	OLQP	10.00	Paul Lyons
	OBLI	11.00	Oswald Shannon
	OBLI	18.00	Paul Bottoms

Please remember in your prayers:

Barry Ainger
Michael Anderson,
Andrew, Mary Askew,
Maria Barrell, Vivien Bell,
Debbie Binns,
Colin Brown,
Billy Bulch, Tricia Carr,
Michael Conroy, Pat Coyle,
Ophelia Davies,
Willie Day, Lynn Ditchburn,
Fred and Freda Fletcher,
Brian Flurry, Katy Foggin,
Terry Ford, Barbara Foster,
Jenny Gilmaney,
Sheila Hepple,
Andrew Hughes,
Holly Hunter,
Godfrey Keefe,
Annette Keitel, Jade Kemp,
George McAfferty,
Jim McDivitte,
Joseph McIntyre,
Rose McMahon,
Lloyd McLinden,
June Matthews, Mary Maw,
Peter Milroy,
Kathleen Monaghan,
Madge Mullen,
George O'Donnell,
Brian Purvis,
Marie Robson, Molly Shiel,
Ronnie Shields,
Mary Skilcorn,
George Staggs,
John Tilley, Vicky Tindall,
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ST JOHN XXIII

Incorporating:

Our Blessed Lady Immaculate, Washington

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw

St Bede, Usworth

St John Boste, Oxclose



26 / 27 August 2017, Sunday 21 A

You are Peter. On this Rock I will build my Church



Last Tuesday, I had the privilege of sharing in the 50th anniversaries of three Religious Sisters, two of whom I have worked with in Zambia, before moving on to Dartmoor and a more secular celebration of life on an army camp.

For Religious Sisters (sometimes erroneously referred to as 'Nuns', a term reserved for enclosed orders) a golden celebration is very different from that of a priest. They are allowed to keep any gifts given to them on such an occasion, whereas we can keep all of ours! The mass is presided over by a priest (obviously, I suppose), whereas for a priest he does his own presiding. But it is the congregation that is very different. On Tuesday there was not a huge gathering, but every one of the people there had played a direct and profound part in the lives of the three sisters, and they were all family - blood family where possible, the family of the other sisters in the congregation and the family of work and support colleagues. To enter a religious order you give up so much, but on these days you appreciate what you have received in return: the chance to work with other committed people in support of the People of God and the chance to belong to a real and lasting community spread all over the world. This is real family and it shows in the appreciation of all that has been achieved - from Peter onwards, much has been achieved in the Church.

Vigil	SB	17.00	Deceased Members of Our Parish Family
Sun 27 Aug	SB	08.30	Our Parish Family
	SJ	09.30	Our Parish Family
	OLQP	10.00	Valerie Kilner
	OBLI	11.00	Theresa Smith
	OBLI	18.00	Helen & Isobel Muir