

St Bede's, Usworth

Monday: 2.00pm **Ladies Club** (Lindisfarne Room).

Tuesday: 6.00pm, **Adoration**, 6-6.45pm, **Confessions**, 7.30pm, **Coffee Evening** (Lindisfarne Room).

Saturday: **Confessions cancelled**.

Church Cleaning - Team B, 5.30 p.m. Monday. Help is needed for the cleaning of the church. If you are available at 5.30 p.m. on a Monday or 9.00 a.m. on a Tuesday please give your name to whoever is on duty at the church door. Your turn would only come once every six weeks.

Hunger Lunch - Friday 13, 12 noon to 1.00 p.m. (Lindisfarne Room).

200 Club - Subscriptions for the October draw will be collected after both Masses this weekend. Annual subscriptions now due. In order to keep the club going we need new members. If you would like to join please see whoever is on duty at the church door. If you are already a member and would consider taking another number please ask when you next pay your subscription.

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**.

There will be a **Church Council Meeting** on Thursday 5 October at 7.00pm. Please make sure all groups are represented.

October Month of the Rosary: each Wednesday starting this week 4 October 12 noon Rosary followed by soup lunch - please join us!

Our Blessed Lady, Washington

Drop In Appeal - This week, Grace House Sunderland.

Saturday: 8am, **Exposition, cancelled**

10.30am -11.30am, **Confessions cancelled**

Cleaning: Group 2

The Well will remain at the back of the church for

donations to the CAFOD clean water project. £300 sent from the September collection. Thank you.

600 Club Subscriptions due October 1

Mill Hill Missions September collection £603.26. Thank you to Red Box holders and collectors for your continued support.

Fair Trade Stall after 11am Mass on Sunday 8 October.

St John Boste, Oxclose

Monday: 7pm, **Craft Club**

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

Fairtrade: The Fairtrade stall will be open this Sunday after mass. Please continue to support your Fairtrade. Thank you.

St Robert of Newminster School

Adoration recommences on Thursday, 10.00am - 3.00pm.

Holy Mass/Service 11.20am. All welcome.

Parish Information

We welcome Fr Jim O'Keefe who moves into St Bede's Presbytery this week.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Friday 6 October. With your help, CAFOD is able to support farmers in El Salvador and around the world to plant strong seeds yielding good crops to sustain their families. Please take home your Fast Day envelope, fast this coming Friday and give what you can. Please return your envelope next week if possible or before the end of October.

Diocesan Association of The Eucharist - Day of

Recollection, at St. Joseph's Gateshead (next to the Metro), Saturday, 7 October, 2017. Tea/coffee 10.00 - 10.30 a.m. Please bring a packed lunch. All welcome.

Parish Raffle Tickets are available in all churches from this weekend. Please support this Parish event.

Invitation to 'Mission Day' On Saturday 7 October, Kathryn Turner from the Spirituality Department and other members of the Team will lead a day called 'Equipped for Mission' in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Penshaw 10.30am – 3.00pm. As we prepare for our Mission, this will be an opportunity to reflect on our own faith story and on how we can share this with others. There will also be training sessions on preparing liturgies and

prayer times, creating prayer stations etc. All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. Coffee will be served from 10.00am.

The Catholic Fellowship for the Disabled will be holding their Annual Bishop's Mass at St. Bede's next Sunday at 2.00pm. All welcome to participate.

Youth Sunday Preparation An afternoon to prepare for Youth Sunday will take place at St. Joseph's Academy, Hebburn on Sunday 8 October 3.00pm to 5.15pm. This year's theme is 'YES' inviting us to reflect on how Mary, as a young person, had the faith and courage to say 'Yes' to what God was calling her to do. Each church is invited to be represented by adults and young people (Year 9 and above) and there will be an opportunity to plan together and to meet other groups in the same partnership. Music and other resources will be available. Booking forms are in parishes or available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

Preparation for First Holy Communion is beginning next week any family where children are not attending a Catholic Primary School please give Fr Mark a ring.

Future Information

Journey of Faith 2017-2018, this year the Parish of St John XXIII Washington & Penshaw will join with St Cuthbert Chester-Le-Street in our new partnership, the sessions will take place between St Cuthbert's and Our Lady Queen of Peace and will begin on Thursday 2 November at 7.45pm. There is a taster session for further information and a program timetable at St Cuthbert's Chester-Le-Street Coffee Shop DH3 3PH Thursday 19 October 7.45pm, if you need a lift please ask either Maria Ashburner or Fr Mark.

In this 50th anniversary of the passing of the Abortion act, there is a special **Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life and Family** at Osmotherley on Sunday 22 October 2017. £15. Reservation essential. Contact :Mrs M. Ollernshaw, Tel:0191 2854395 or Theresa McCabe Tel:0191 4161135.

Date for your diary Parish Social at Biddick Social Club..Friday November 24. Please support this event. Tickets available soon.

Services This Week

Mon 02 Oct	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (TJ)
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	OLQP	19.00	Wilfred & June Young
Tue 03 Oct	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (PY)
	OLQP	09.30	Communion Service
	OBLI	Noon	Communion Service
	SB	19.00	Our Lady's Intentions
Wed 04 Oct	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (EM)
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
Thu 05 Oct	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	SJ	09.15	Communion Service (VC)
	OBLI	09.15	May Taylor
	OLQP	10.00	Communion Service
Fri 06 Oct	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	Communion Service
	SJ	09.30	In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart
	OLQP	19.00	Communion Service
Sat 07 Oct	OLQP	09.00	Parish Mission
	SB	09.05	Communion Service
	OBLI	09.15	No Mass
	SJ	10.00	Communion Service (AT)

07 - 08 October - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil	SB	17.00	Peggy Emery
Sun 08 Oct	SB	08.30	Our Parish Family
	SJ	09.30	Nancy Matthews
	OLQP	10.00	Stephen Kennedy
	OBLI	11.00	Paul Iley
	SB	14.00	Bishop's Mass for the Disabled
	OBLI	18.00	Thomas Wilson

Please remember in your prayers:

Barry Ainger
Michael Anderson,
Andrew, Mary Askew,
Maria Barrell, Vivien Bell,
Colin Brown,
Billy Bulch, Tricia Carr,
Fr Michael Conaty
Michael Conroy, Pat Coyle,
Ophelia Davies,
Willie Day,
Baby Luke Defty
Lynn Ditchburn,
Fred and Freda Fletcher,
Brian Flurry, Katy Foggin,
Terry Ford, Barbara Foster,
Jenny Gilmaney,
Sheila Hepple,
Andrew Hughes,
Holly Hunter,
Raymond Irwin,
Godfrey Keefe,
Annette Keitel, Jade Kemp,
George McAfferty,
Margaret McArdle
Jim McDivitte,
Joseph McIntyre,
Rose McMahan,
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 Stagg,
John Tilley, Vicky Tindall,
Frank Tracey,
Wendy Tufton, Liz Ward,
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30 September / 01 October, Sunday 26 A

Doing the Will of the Father (Matthew 21:28-32)

Matthew loves to tell parables of Jesus which contrast 'goodies' and 'baddies' like these two contrasting sons. Matthew's parables put everything in black-and-white terms with no shades of grey (wise and foolish wedding-attendants, sheep and goats, etc.). Luke uses a different kind of parable, in which the characters - just like ourselves - often do the right thing for the wrong reason. The sayings of Jesus were handed down by word of mouth for some years before being written down. Did the straightforward contrast in Matthew (it is odd that both change their minds without a reason) develop into Luke's parable of the Prodigal Son? Both times the 'goodie' son ends up bad, and the 'baddie' son ends up good, but in Luke's version both changes of mind are motivated, and there is great emphasis on the son's repentance and the father's overwhelming joy at getting him back. The lesson in Matthew's story is given also by Jesus' word in the Sermon on the Mount, 'It is not anyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord" who will enter the kingdom of Heaven, but the person who does the will of my Father in Heaven'. It is no use simply saying that Christ is our 'Lord'; we have to express it in our behaviour.

What meaning do you find in this parable for yourself and the relationship you have with the Father?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Vigil	SB	17.00	Stephen Bottoms
Sun 01 Oct	SB	08.30	Our Parish Family
	SJ	09.30	James, Alice & Terry McGee
	OLQP	10.00	Cosgrove & Docherty families
	OBLI	11.00	Mary Hill
	OBLI	18.00	Jack & Anne Smith

ST JOHN XXIII

Incorporating:

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

