

Mass Times & Intentions - Week Beginning Monday, 15 April 2019			
Day	Church	Time	Intention
Monday 15 April	St Bede	09:05	Word and Holy Communion
	St John Boste	09:15	Word and Holy Communion (EM)
	Our Blessed Lady	Noon	House Mass: See Fr Mark or Tom Davidson for Information.
	Our Lady Queen of Peace	19:00	Catherine Cruddas & Eil Davison
Tuesday 16 April	St John Boste	09:15	Word and Holy Communion (SB)
	Our Blessed Lady	11:00	Requiem Mass: John 'Jack' Slowther
	Our Lady Queen of Peace	19:00	Word and Holy Communion
	St Joseph	19:00	Marjorie Murray
	St Bede	19:00	Janet & John Walker
Wednesday 17 April	St Bede	09:05	Word and Holy Communion
	St Joseph	09:00	Special Intention
	Our Blessed Lady	09:15	Word and Holy Communion
	Our Lady Queen of Peace	19:00	Sep, Sarah, Irene & James Cruddas & Selina Dover
	St John Boste	19:00	Eleanor & Maldwyn Roberts
Holy Thursday			
Thursday 18 April	St Joseph	19:00	Julia Grant
	St John Boste	19:00	Commemoration of the Last Supper
	St John Boste	20:00	Exposition (Watching)
Good Friday			
Friday 19 April	Our Lady Queen of Peace	11:00	Outdoor Stations of the Cross (See Notice)
	St Bede	11:00	Service for families/children
	ALL Churches	15:00	Commemoration of the Passion
Holy Saturday			
Saturday 20 April	St Joseph	18:00	People of the Parish
	St Bede	19:00	Our Parish Family (Easter Vigil)
Easter Sunday			
Vigil	St Bede	19:00	Our Parish Family
	St Joseph	18:00	People of the Parish
Sunday 21 April	St Bede	08:30	Pauline Stephenson Bell
	St John Boste	09:30	Bernadette Lawson
	Our Lady Queen of Peace	10:00	Teresa Storey
	St Joseph	10:00	Tot & Paul Nolan
	Our Blessed Lady	11:00	Eric Moran
	Our Blessed Lady	18:00	In Thanksgiving (J)

Parishes of St John XXIII & St Joseph, Birtley

Incorporating:

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

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Sacriston, Washington

PALM / PASSION SUNDAY 13 - 14 APRIL 2019			
Vigil	St Bede	17:00	Our Parish Family
	St Joseph	18:00	Susan Towns
Sunday 14 April	St Bede	08:30	Ken Richardson
	St John Boste	09:30	In Thanksgiving (EM)
	Our Lady Queen of Peace	10:00	Andrew Long
	St Joseph	10:00	People of the Parish
	Our Blessed Lady Immaculate	11:00	Jose Martinho Pinheiro
	Our Blessed Lady Immaculate	18:00	Our Parish Family

This is Holy Week

Palm Sunday

We commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem; our King - our Saviour.

Maundy Thursday

We commemorate the Last Supper, in particular the Washing of the Feet, and the Agony in the Garden, praying at the Altar of Repose.

Good Friday

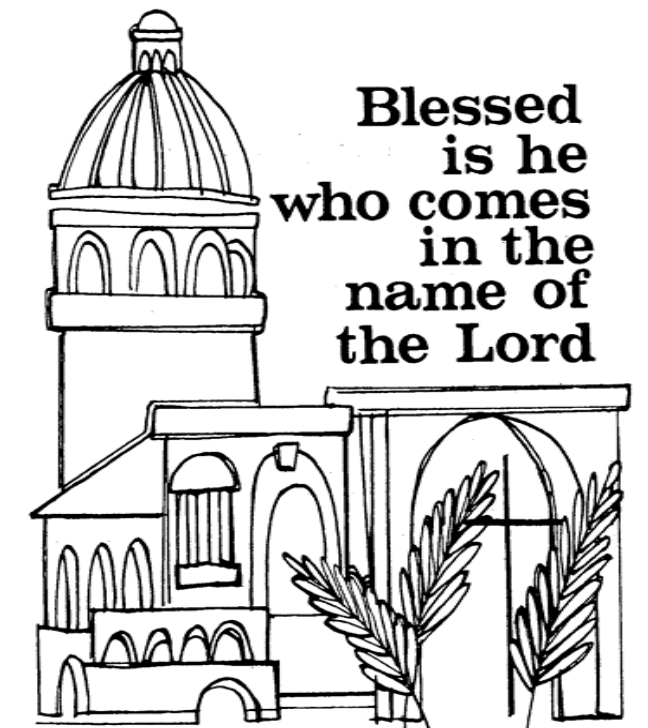
Good Friday is a day of special solemnity, including fasting and abstinence. We walk with Jesus on the road to Calvary and we stand at the foot of the cross with Mary and John.

Holy Saturday

We celebrate the end of Lent and the end of the suffering and death of Jesus, along with waiting for the glory of the Resurrection.

Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday is a day of great joy and celebration. Christ is risen - he is risen indeed!



Did you know our Parish is online?! As well as our website, washingtoncatholic.org.uk, you can find regular prayers, reflections and images on our social media pages throughout the liturgical year. Use @ParishStJohn23 on Twitter and search for "Parish of St John XXIII" on Facebook. If you have any issues, comments, suggestions, or would like to support this work, please email: SJ23Social@disciples.com.

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First Reading: The Song of the Servant

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Response to the Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second Reading: Raised High through Suffering

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

"To the Glory of God the Father."

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory.

The Gospel: Jesus Enters Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40)

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, "Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you are to say this, 'The Master needs it.'" The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, "Why are you untying that colt?" and they answered, "The Master needs it." So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out: "Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!" Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Master, check your disciples," but he answered, "I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out."

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Please Note

Usual Groups & activities in the Parish will take place as normal. Only cancellations will now be listed.

St Robert of Newminster School

Adoration at St Robert's School: Cancelled until 25 April

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Penshaw

Divine Office: 15 minutes before daily Mass or Communion service.

Monday: 6pm - 6.45pm, **Confessions & Exposition**

Friday: 9am - 3pm, **Adoration.**

The family of Teresa Storey would like to thank everyone for their support and donations to the PBC Foundation which raised £500

Our Blessed Lady Immaculate, Washington

Tuesday: **Adoration, 10am—4pm** (Emmaus Room) Please sign up in the Church porch.

Thursday: **Drop In, Cancelled.**

Cleaning Group 2.

CAFOD Well: A donation of £1,000 has been sent to CAFOD.

600 Club: April Winners: 165 P. Larkin; 173 J. Hughes; 20 R. Maddison; 365 A. Moore; 24 Fr Mark; 275 V. Reed Jr; 235 M. Hepton; 278 C McGowan.

OBLI Youth Club: We are looking for volunteers to help run the youth club. The club is on a Thursday 7-9 pm, once a fortnight. Volunteers must be over 18yrs and be prepared to be DBS checked. For further information contact Kelly Tel: 07838054894.

Mass Intention Requests: it is important to include a contact telephone number

St Bede's, Usworth

Monday, 2.00 pm; **Ladies Club** (Lindisfarne Room)

5.30 pm; **Church Cleaning**, All Teams. Extra help greatly appreciated.

Tuesday, 7.30 pm; **Coffee Evening** (Lindisfarne Room).

Good Friday: **Family Service**, 11:00 am, followed by refreshments in the Lindisfarne Room.

St. Bede's School - It will be 50 years this year since St. Bede's School was opened. In order to compile a brochure we are asking anyone who has photographs of the opening of the school, the football teams, sports days, First Holy Communions, Christmas and Summer Fairs (these were always held at the school), past teachers and dinner ladies, and any other activities which have taken place over the past 50 years. If you are able to help please get in touch with the office staff at the school. Telephone No. 0191 41658

Flowers for Easter - Donations for flowers to decorate the church at Easter will be greatly appreciated.

Lenten Alms - box at back of church for donations to St. Cuthbert's Care.

200 Club: Winners for April: 113 Julia Lowery; 73 T. Rochester; 45 C. Dance; 245 L. Kenyon; 75 N. Scorer.

Water Aid: Basket in Church for donations to this project.

St John Boste, Oxclose

Saturday: **Confessions**, 30 minutes before Mass.

Garden of Repose: Would anyone with green indoor or outdoor potted plants and would like to loan their plants to church for the Garden of Repose please bring them along to church during the early part of Holy Week. The plants can be collected anytime thereafter. Thank you.

Fairtrade Stall: The next Fairtrade Stall will be held TODAY. Please continue to support the producers of Fairtrade goods.

Parish Information

Special Collection this weekend after all Masses for the Holy Places.

Chrism Mass, Holy Thursday, 11:00 am St Marys Cathedral.

Request for Volunteers: Can you spare an hour on a Friday morning every four or five weeks to join the Parish Bulletin Printing Team. All that is required is access to a computer to download the file from an email onto a USB memory stick. Full training will be given. To volunteer or for more information contact Mark Harris on sj23it@gmail.com.

Good Friday Ecumenical: Outdoor Stations of the Cross 11am. Please meet at Shiney Row Methodist Church for the short walk to Our Lady Queen of Peace stopping along the way for prayers and reflection. This is a wonderful opportunity to witness to our wider community of the meaning of Good Friday. Light refreshments following the walk

Crafty kids @ Church: Please join us for a fun time of painting, crafts and refreshments 9.30-12 on Wednesday 17 April at St John Boste. Children to be accompanied by an adult. Everyone welcome

Mass with Blessing of the Sick: Tuesday 23 April; 12 noon at Our Blessed Lady Immaculate. Afterwards lunch in the Emmaus Room. If anyone requires transport please give your name to a member of the SVP.

Funeral Notice: Marie Robson, Thursday 25th April at 11:30am, Sunderland Crematorium.

Serve the Lord with Gladness - Days of Reflection for All Ministries: Ushaw College, Durham on Saturday 4 May 2019 from 10.30am - 3.30pm (registration and refreshments from 9.45am). A light lunch will be provided. Led by Fr. Mark Millward. Please see poster in Church and book through your Parish or contact the Department for Liturgy on 0191 243 3312 or e-mail: liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk

Celebration of Marriage: Bishop Robert Byrne will celebrate Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 18 May 2019 at 11.00am to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage. He has invited each parish community to be represented by at least two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary. In addition, everyone is welcome to attend. This promises to be a wonderful celebration and will provide affirmation and support for Marriage across the Diocese and the wider North-East community. Please see the posters displayed in each church for more information.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Centenary Mass: The highlight of our centenary celebrations will be the concelebrated Mass on Tuesday, 9 July. We would like to extend an invitation to singers throughout the parish & partnership to join us for practices each Tuesday evening beginning Tuesday, 30 April 7.30pm at OLQP. It is not crucial to attend every practice but it would be helpful to receive a firm commitment from those who wish to take part. It promises to be a magnificent uplifting celebration of Peace & Thanksgiving. For further details either turn up on 30 April or contact Michael Leckenby [07981396544](tel:07981396544).

Pilgrimage to Lourdes for those needing Nursing Care: Our diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 26 July – 2 August still has several places available for those who need Nursing Care or who are unable to travel or stay in Lourdes on their own. Flights are from Newcastle, directly to Lourdes, Accommodation will be in the Accueil Marie St Frai and there will be the assistance of the pilgrimage nurses and doctors throughout the week in Lourdes as well as many helpers. The cost for those staying in the Accueil is £895.00 per person. Anyone wishing to go is asked to contact The Lourdes Pilgrimage Office at St Robert's Morpeth (01670 513410 or lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk) for a Booking Form and Medical Consent Form. A medical assessment will be made to make sure the pilgrimage can offer the appropriate care. Closing date for application is 21 April 2019.

During Lent

Stations of the Cross

OBLI **Stations of The Cross & Benediction** Today, 4pm.
OLQP **Stations of the Cross** Wednesday, 12 noon followed by soup lunch.
St John Boste **Stations of the Cross** Wednesday, 6.30pm.

Please pray for those of our parish who are sick:

Michael Anderson, Andrew, Mary Askew, Maria Barrell, Vivien Bell, Colin Brown, Tricia Carr, Hilary Cassidy, James Thomas Charlton, Margaret Collins, Michael Conroy, Ophelia Davies, Willie Day, Baby Luke Defty, Lynn Ditchburn, Mary Dragone, Bernard English, Fred and Freda Fletcher, Terry Ford, Anne-Marie Foster, Barbara Foster, Molly French, Jenny Gilmaney, Margaret Gleeson, Rene Gordon, Sheila Hepple, Stan Horwood, Andrew Hughes, Holly Hunter, Raymond Irwin, Bill Jeffells, Mary Jordan, Godfrey Keefe, Annette Keitel, Jade Kemp, Daniel Mason, Mary Maw, George McAfferty, Ann Metcalf, Joseph McIntyre, Lloyd McLinden, Kathleen Monaghan, Madge Mullen, George O'Donnell, Jack Sant, Molly Shiel, Ronnie Shields, Mary Skilcorn, George Stagg, John Tilley, Vicky Tindall, Frank Tracey, Wendy Tufton, Stephen Willey.

Recently deceased:

Fr Jim Keane, Marie Robson, Lilian Stokoe, Jack Slowther

