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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat	4 th May	6.00pm	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Brian Hoggard RIP	St George's
Sun	5 th May	9.30am	Sixth Sunday of Easter	People of the Parish	St Bede's
Tues	7 th May	10.00am	Weekday of Easter	Private Intention	St Bede's
Wed	8 th May	10.00am	Weekday of Easter	All at St Bede's School	St Bede's
Thurs	9 th May	10.00am	Ascension of the Lord (S)	People of the Parish	St George's
Thurs	9 th May	6.30pm	Ascension of the Lord (S)	People of the Parish	St Bede's
Fri	10 th May	10.00am	St John of Avila (O)	Holy Souls	St Bede's
Sat	11 th May	10.00am	Weekday of Easter	First Holy Communion Candidates	St George's
Sat	11 th May	6.00pm	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Gerry Loughran RIP	St George's
Sun	12 th May	9.30am	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Mary Jose RIP Anniversary	St Bede's

(S) = Solemnity; (F) = Feast; (M) = Memorial; (O) = Optional

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR EASTERTIDE

During Eastertide we are expected to pray for these intentions: New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

All Our Sick Relatives and Friends At Home, In Hospital or Residential care.

In these weeks after Easter, we relive with the disciples their growing awareness of how the risen Lord continued to be with them; how he shared his Holy Spirit with them to help them to understand all that Jesus had taught them. We discover with them that Jesus calls us in our turn to be his friends and to know his love for us. He wants us to continue his mission by bringing his love and peace to the people of our own day.

We are ordinary people, struggling with our own lives, our fears, our weaknesses, but we believe. We believe that Jesus is risen from the dead. We believe that he continues to be present in the world in us.

We believe that he uses us to bring his mercy and love to the world. If the Holy Spirit could transform Peter and the rest into an effective tool for evangelisation and continue this work of transformation through the saints of every generation, then we can believe that the same Holy Spirit can transform us and empower us to go out in joy and hope to bear fruit, the fruit of love that will last for ever.

The Living Word.

SAFEGUARDING GUIDANCE

Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory safeguarding guidance and the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocesan policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Deirdre Grzebalski (St. Bede's) & Stephen Campbell (St. George's). Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at: safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk

NB Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holyday of Obligation. Holy Mass will be celebrated at both churches on this day. Please check above for times.

COFFEE MORNING

After Mass, in St Bede's School Hall - an opportunity to catch up and socialise. All are welcome. Raffle tickets will be on sale in the Hall for the last remaining prizes from the Easter Draw. You have to be in it, to win it!!

ST JOSEPH'S NURSERY

Places are available for September 2024. Open days: Tuesday 14th May 1:30-3:00 or Thursday 23rd May 9:30-11:00. For more information please telephone: 0191 2739063 All welcome.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024

Our Partnership Confirmation Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Wednesday 15th May at St Robert's Church, Fenham, by Bishop Stephen Wright.

ALL SAINTS & ST GEORGE PARISH FINANCE

Thank you to all parishioners for your financial support towards the upkeep of our parishes. It is greatly appreciated especially during these difficult times. Donations can be made in various ways, e.g. the collection plate, offertory envelopes, standing order or by bank transfer. Additionally at St Bede's you can use the "Contactless" Dona Machine, online using the Dona website link https://donate.mydona.com/st-bedes-church- denton-burn to donate with your card or by scanning the QR code at the back of church with your smartphone.

DIOCESAN EVENTS



DIOCESAN VACANCY

• IT Field Engineer (two posts) Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – full-time, 9-month fixed term contract. Closing date: 6th May. Please visit <u>www.diocesehn.org.uk</u> for full details or 2 0191 243 3301.

INTERFAITH PRAYER VIGIL

All welcome to a short prayer service (which includes a time of silence) at the Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre, Corbridge Road, Medomsley, Co. Durham DH8 6QY, on Sunday 5th May at 3.00pm. If you are unable to join in person, please join in prayer at home. email Liz Archibald: <u>lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com</u>

DISCERNMENT EVENINGS

The next Discernment evening for those thinking about Priesthood will take place on Tuesday 7th May at 6.00pm at St Joseph's Church, Thorneyholme Terrace, Stanley. If you would like to attend, please contact Father Shaun Purdy by email: vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk or voca

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR SERIES

These seminars form an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit, an opportunity for people to find out more about that life, and to be helped in taking the first steps of a new relationship with the Lord. All are welcome to attend these seminars (or as many as you can) at St Mary's Parish Centre, Hexham, NE46 2EB from 7:00pm - 8:30pm on the following Tuesdays:

Date	Theme	Speaker
14 th May	God's Love	Andy Drozdziak
28 th May	Salvation	Amy Cameron
11 th June	The New Life	John Wheeler
25 th June	Receiving God's Gifts	Fr Paul Jenkins 0. Carm
2 nd July	A Personal Pentecost (Baptised in the Holy Spirit	Fr Mark Millward
9 th July	Unwrapping God's Gifts	Deacon Alison Rebello
16 th July	Transformation in Christ	Deacon Frank O'Neill

Should you require any further information please contact stmarys.hexham@diocesehn.org.uk or 01434 603119

DEANERY DAY OF REFLECTION

For Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and Catechists, and anyone else who is interested. Saturday 25th May from 11.00am – 3.30pm at St Cuthbert's Primary School Hall, Balmain Road, Kenton, led by Fr Damian Cassidy O.Carm – "Become What You Have Received". Coffee from 10.30am. Bring a Packed Lunch. Booking & Enquiries: 0191 2841690, or pat.kennedy42@icloud.com Numbers would be helpful please. There will be a collection on the day. Please see Tony Hutchinson if you would like to attend.

MARIAN PROCESSION & SUNG VESPERS

The Parish of St Lawrence's Byker invites you to join them in bringing the month of Our Lady to a close with Sung Vespers & May Procession on Sunday 26th May at 5.00pm in St. Lawrence's Church, after which there will be a procession with Our Lady through the streets of the Byker Wall while praying the Rosary.

6th Sunday of Easter "You did not choose me: no, I chose you" God has a purpose for each one of us. Might God be calling you to priesthood? Why not explore what the Lord is asking of you? Speak to your Parish Priest or contact the Vocations Promoter: 01207 299 012 or vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk