

MASS INTENTIONS: w/c 1st November 2025

Sat 1st Nov (St. Mary's)	5:30pm	Allison Phillips
Sun 2nd (St. Aidan's)	9:15am	Kitty Todhunter
Sun 2nd (St. Mary's)	11:00am	People of the Parish
* Mon 3rd (St Aidan's)	6.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Tues 4th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Carlos Indequi
Wed 5th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intentions
Thurs 6th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intentions
Fri 7th (St. Mary's)	10:00am	Sp Intention (Diamond Wedding)
* Sat 8th (St. Aidan's)	11.00am	Confession
Sat 8th (St. Mary's)	5:30pm	All Holy Souls
Sun 9th (St. Aidan's)	9:15am	Selina Dix
Sun 9th (St. Mary's)	11:00am	All Holy Souls

For Mass Intentions, please see envelopes in our churches.

“I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.
Everyone who believes in me shall never die.” All Souls.

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: Sunday 9th November

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

“You are God’s temple.” Second Reading (1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17)

CHILDREN’S PRAYER: God of all, help us to listen to your voice and not be distracted by what is happening around us. Grant us the courage to speak up for what we know is right. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Those who have died recently.

Those in our parishes who are sick or who may need our thoughts & prayers.
And those of our parishes whose anniversary occurs at this time.

KEEP IN TOUCH: NE12Catholic@diocesehn.org.uk or 0191 268 4222.

Weekend mass live on YouTube, search St Mary of the Rosary.

Newsletters & Homilies can be viewed on our Facebook page NE12Catholic

DIOCESE OF HEXHAM AND NEWCASTLE: News & information about events happening across our diocese can be found via www.diocesehn.org.uk

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Sunday 2nd November 2025:

Celebrating the Feast of All Saints

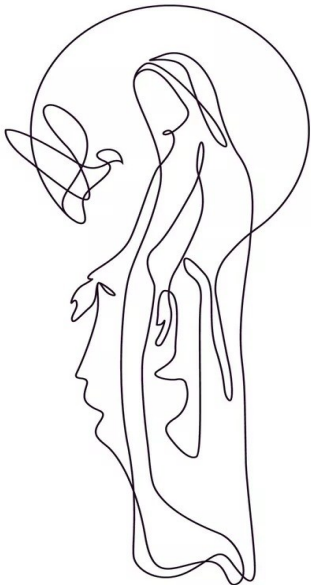
After listening to today’s Gospel, The Beatitudes
(Matthew 5:1-12), consider this reflection.

These eight blessings stand at the head of the Sermon on the Mount, pointing out eight ways in which we can welcome God into our lives. They are ways of living out God’s blessing, possible only if the hand of God is upon us. That is why the first and the last beatitudes knit them all together with ‘theirs is the kingdom of heaven’. Jesus came to proclaim the kingship of his Father, and these are ways of living that kingship. For each of the beatitudes, do you know someone in the parish or elsewhere in your life who exemplifies that particular attitude? Or is there a saint whom you consider typifies each of these beatitudes for you? What is your own favourite beatitude?

Jesus illustrates the beatitudes in various incidents in the gospels: he enters Jerusalem on a donkey as the gentle king; he shows love in his welcome to sinners; he brings peace to those tortured by disease or contempt; he manifests purity of heart in his single-minded pre-occupation with his Father’s will; finally, he accepts persecution for what he knew to be right. All Christians may suddenly find themselves face to face with similar shattering challenges.

Which of these ‘beatitudes’ do you most lack?

Which would you most like to acquire?



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Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

WORLD FOOD DAY AT ST MARY’S: Thank you to all who organised, participated, celebrated and helped clear up! Photographs can be viewed on our Facebook page NE12Catholic.
Donations of food will be taken to two local charities this week - thank you for your kind and generous support.

ST MARY’S JIGSAW LIBRARY: The perfect tonic for the longer evenings! Please donate & enjoy jigsaws in the hall as a self service borrowing scheme.

A MESSAGE FROM SVP GROUP: “As the weather gets wetter and colder, we are desperately in need of sleeping bags, small tents and sleeping mats. We have just given out our last supplies. Also warm hats, gloves, scarfs, hand warmers, flasks and winter clothing is gratefully received. Thank you for helping us support the homeless in our community.”

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: St Aidan’s on Monday 3rd November at 6pm
All are welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME:

St Aidan’s - Sunday 9th November at 330pm
St Mary’s - Sunday 16th November at 10am
We look forward to seeing our families in our church halls.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: New members always welcome
St Mary’s - Thursday 20th November at 7pm
St Aidan’s - Tuesday 25th November at 7pm
Place agenda items in offertory baskets or NE12Catholic@diocesehn.org.uk

COLLECTIONS: 26th October

St Aidan’s - Loose Plate: £289.00 / Envelopes: £87.00 / Hall Hire: £48.00
Northern Cross: £15.00

St Mary’s - Loose Plate: £280.53 / Envelopes: £33.00 / Donations: £30.00
Candles: £31.40 / Friday Coffee Morning: £64.00 (Out of Sight)

19th October

St Aidan’s - Loose Plate: £252.00 / Envelopes: £77.00 / Hall Hire: £46.00
CAFOD Family Fast Day: £100.00

St Mary’s - Loose Plate: £236.54/ Envelopes: £38.00 / Donations: £304.00
Candles: £70.00 / Friday Coffee Morning: £60.00 (Out of Sight)

Thank you for your continued support & generosity.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR: Christmas Fayre

Saturday 8th November, 12-3pm at St Joseph’s Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle. There will be lots of stalls, raffle, home baking and refreshments. All welcome.

ADVENTUROUS ACCOMPANIMENT: A programme to help us become better at walking with others & supporting them to see God. All are welcome to join two sessions on Sunday 9th & 16th November, 1pm-4pm, at St Cuthbert’s House, NE15 7PY. For further information or to book your place, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DHNAdventurousAccompaniment>

DAY OF CONSOLATION:

At Minsteracres on Tuesday 11th November from 10am to 4pm.
A poignant retreat day for people who have experienced bereavement, grief loss or significant change. This day will offer an opportunity to share a safe space, to be heard, to share with others who have had similar experiences and to hopefully find courage, hope and consolation.
Lunch and refreshments are included. Suggested Donation £40
To book visit: <https://minsteracres.org>

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE: Invitation

Hear Teresa Saunders speak about ‘Jona - the worst prophet?’
Holy Name Church, Jesmond, Newcastle, NE2 3JX, on Tuesday 11 November, at 7.30pm. Teresa has a special interest in the Old Testament prophets and has spoken on several of them at Catholic People's Weeks. Free to attend.

SCRIPTURE OF HOPE REFLECTION: In response to this Jubilee Year theme of hope, the Diocesan Writing Team were invited to share a short reflection on a scripture passage which speaks to them of hope throughout challenges & joys in life. You can read theses online www.diocesehn.org.uk
You may recognise some of the contributors!

WHAT IS YOUR JUBILEE STORY? As the Year of Jubilee draws to a close in January 2026, the Diocese is preparing to celebrate the journey we have all walked together united as Pilgrims of Hope. Please share your experiences, stories and photographs. Visit <https://bit.ly/DHN-jubilee-collection> for further details. The closing date for your submission is 15th December.