

MASS INTENTIONS: w/c 28th July 2024

Sat 27th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Tony Ward
Sun 28th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	People of the Parish
Sun 28th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	People of the Parish
Mon 29th	*** NO MASS ***	
Tues 30th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Patricia Otway
* Wed 31st (St. Aidan's)	10.30am	Requiem Mass for Sylvia Briganti
Thurs 1st Aug (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intention
Fri 2nd (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Anne Heuermann
Sat. 3rd (St Aidan's)	11.00am	Confession
Sat 3rd (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Ged Lawler
Sun 4th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	James Allan Scott
Sun 4th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Margaret Scott

For Mass Intentions, please see envelopes in our churches.

"Citius, Altius, Fortius – Communiter"
International Olympic Committee

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: 4th Aug - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

By being baptised into Christ's death we have become a new being.

(2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:17.20-24)

CHILDREN'S PRAYER:

"The summertime offers many people an occasion for rest.

It's also a favourable time to take care of our relationships."

Pope Francis.

WE ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR:

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

KEEP IN TOUCH: Contact us parishsecretary@mail.com / 0191 268 4222

Access weekend mass live via YouTube, search St Mary of the Rosary

Newsletters & Homilies can be viewed on www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk

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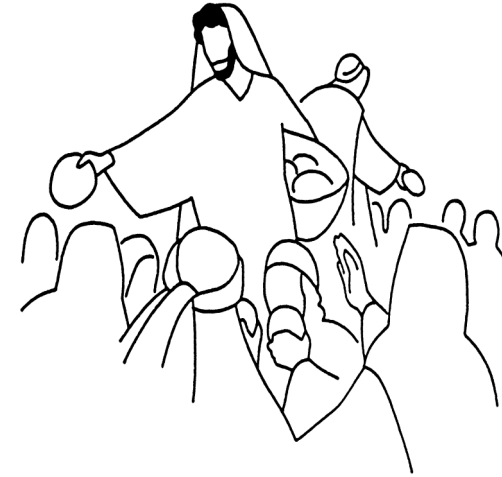
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Sunday 28th July 2024

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

After listening to today's Gospel, The Feeding of the Five Thousand (John 6:1-15), consider this reflection.

In this Sunday's Gospel, John's version of the miraculous feeding reminds us of the Last Supper, when Jesus 'said the blessing' over the bread. Since John's gospel has no account of the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, this feeding account is particularly significant.

The feeding is also described as one of the 'signs' which Jesus works. The first part of the Gospel of John is often called 'the Book of Signs' because Jesus works a number of signs which show who he truly is. First there is the sign at the marriage-feast of Cana, where the sign of turning the water into wine is a sign of the messianic banquet. Other signs are the raising of the royal official's son, a sign of Jesus' gift of life, and the cure of the blind man in the temple, a sign of Jesus' gift of light and revelation.

Several of the signs are followed by an extended discourse, explaining the meaning of the sign, as this feeding sign is followed by the discourse on the Bread of Life, explaining the significance of Jesus' gift of himself as the Bread of Life, the Wisdom of God received in the Eucharist.

Why is this miracle called a sign? What is it a sign of?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY: 28th July 2024

“I would invite you to make a concrete gesture that would include grandparents and the elderly. Let us not abandon them. Their presence in families and communities is a precious one, for it reminds us that we share the same heritage and are part of a people committed to preserving its roots.” POPE FRANCIS

***Thank you to all those in our parishes identifying in either category!
You are appreciated and loved.***

WEDNESDAY 31st JULY: St Aidan's

Please note this is a 10:30am requiem mass for Sylvia Briganti

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Monday 5th August, 6pm at St Aidan's
Led by Deacon Alison Rebello. Everyone welcome.

CONFESSION: Saturday 3rd August, 11am at St Aidan's

MISSIO-MILL HILL: Red Box Appeal

Thank you to those parishioners who have recently returned their Red Boxes. A cheque for £78.33 has been sent to the fellowship of Catholic missionaries dedicated to announcing the Good News of Jesus Christ to people throughout the world. If you would like a Red Box to collect copper and loose change please email parishsecretary@mail.com

MASS BOOKS: St Aidan's

If you wish to take home a full set of mass books, please see table outside church doors. This Advent, we will start using a new lectionary and while there are some slight changes to language and phrasing, all readings for the year remain the same. We will continue to present the mass text above the altar but should you wish to use the books for reflection or preparation before mass, they are free to a good home.

CLOTHING DONATIONS: Can you help?

Charities supported by both our parishes have a continuous need for donations of clothing that is distributed to those with nothing. If you are having a summer clear out, please consider gifting trousers, jumpers, coats, blankets. Items can be left at either church and are most gratefully received.

COLLECTIONS: 21st July 2024

St Aidan's - Loose Plate: £303.00 / Envelopes: £67.00 / Hall Hire: £44.00
Sea Sunday: £81.00

St Mary's - Loose Plate: £258.46 / Envelopes: £23.65

Friday Coffee Morning: £71.53 (People's Kitchen).

For details about Gift Aid or donating via standing order, please email parishsecretary@mail.com

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

PEOPLE'S KITCHEN: Friday Coffee Morning Chosen Charity

A cheque for £662.33 was sent to the People's Kitchen in Newcastle this week, the amount raised during Friday Coffee Mornings at St Mary's from May - July. Thank you to everyone who organises, supports and attends.

EVENT PLANNERS NEEDED: Can you help organise a parish social event?
Please speak to Fr Hall or email parishsecretary@mail.com

RECEIVED INTO OUR CHURCHES: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming part of our family, please speak to Fr Hall, Deacon Rebello or email parishsecretary@mail.com

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

VACANCIES: www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies or 0191 243 3301.

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a full-time Property Surveyor on a two-year fixed-term contract. The role will be based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle, with travel throughout the Diocese. Closing date for applications: 4 August.

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP: Wednesday 25th September, 7pm

Speakers from different faiths to share how prayer and faith affect their daily lives. English Martyrs' Parish Hall, Stamfordham Road
Contact interreligious.relations@diocesehn.org.uk or 0191 234 3316.

TRAINING DAY: for Readers looking at new translation of the Lectionary.

Location: St Bede's, Catholic Row, Bedlington NE22 6HS.

Time: 10.30am – 3.30pm (refreshments from 10.00am)

Date: 26th October

Participants to bring their own packed lunch for the day event – tea and coffee will be provided.