

**\*\* Please note changes to some weekday masses \*\***

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR w/c 18th June 2023**

Sat. 17th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 18th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Teresa Ball
Sun. 18th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	People of the Parish
Mon. 19th - Wed. 21st	*** NO MASSES ***	
Thurs. 22nd (St. Aidan's)	10.15pm	Requiem Mass Ian Graham
Fri. 23rd (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Eucharistic Service (followed by Friday Coffee Morning)
* Sat. 24th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Confession
Sat. 24th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Ann Harrison
Sun. 25th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Frank Amis
Sun. 25th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	People of the Parish

*Could those requesting a mass intention please consider weekday masses as  
Sundays are regularly booked several weeks in advance. Thank you.*

**PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK:**

Sunday 25th June 2023 - The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Only Christ's act of loving obedience could be great enough to do this."*

Christ, the Second Adam (St Paul to the Romans 5:12-15)

**CHILDREN'S PRAYER:**

God of all, you watch over us all with so much care. Help us to feel that you are near in all that we do. Help us to remember that everyone is precious in your sight. Amen.

**WE ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR:**

Those who are sick. Those who have died recently.

And all those within our parishes whose anniversary occurs at this time.

**KEEP IN TOUCH**

Contact us via [parishsecretary@mail.com](mailto:parishsecretary@mail.com) or 0191 268 4222

Access weekend mass live via our Facebook page NE12Catholic.

Newsletters & Homilies can be viewed on [www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk](http://www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk)

**Welcome to our Parish Newsletter:**

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**Sunday 18th June 2023:**

**The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

After listening to today's Gospel, The New Israel (Matthew 9:36-10:8), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection:-

Jesus was concerned about his people. He wanted to bring to them the Kingdom of his Father, so he set out to heal them, and sent others out to do the same.

His aim was to bring them the peace of God, to help them by ridding them of their worries, their sickness, their embarrassment at being lost sheep without a shepherd (God was always the shepherd in Israel). When he set up the twelve apostles he was making a New Israel, a new set of twelve tribes, as a permanent healing body, to make sure that the Kingdom of the Father and its peace and generosity would always be available. He was not setting up a clergy, a set of leaders, but appointing his own helpers in spreading God's Kingdom.

That is what every Christian must do. Do I make it my business to spread the Kingdom or the Kingship of God? Am I a labourer in the harvest, trying to bring God's peace and healing to all the sick sheep? After all, I was made in the image of God, and God gave me the task of following on his creative work. And then Jesus called me, too, to work with him. Am I supposed to cure the sick and cast out devils?

**Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

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## **NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:**

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS**

Congratulations to our children making their Holy Communion this weekend.

#### **St Aidan's - 18th June 2023**

Luke, Sebastian and Lukas.

#### **St Mary's - 18th June 2023**

Liam, Fiona, Emily, Mathew K, Caleb, Gabriel and Sophie.

***"May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love & the joy of his life within you."***

### **ALISON REBELLO'S ORDINATION**

Alison will be ordained at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 8th July.

This will be live streamed via [www.stmaryscathedral.org.uk](http://www.stmaryscathedral.org.uk)

**Our parish celebration** will take place at St Aidan's in the church hall on Sun 9th July, following 9.15am Mass. It would be beneficial to know numbers for catering purposes so if you plan to join us please tick the form on our entrance table. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **CONFESSION: Saturday 25th June at St Mary's.**

The first & third Saturday of the month at St Aidan's 11am - 11.30am

The second & fourth Saturday of the month at St Mary's 11am - 11.30am

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP:** Tues 27th June, 10.30am at St Mary's.

Please note that the Thursday evening group will now break for summer.

### **COLLECTIONS: w/c 11th June**

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose Plate: £130.00 / Envelopes: £64.00 / Hall Hire: £36.00

ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £203.99 / Envelopes: £73.00 / Donations: £10.00

Fri Coffee: £89.50 (Little Sisters of the Poor)

*Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.*



## **NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE:**

### **APPOINTMENT OF NEW BISHOP FOR DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE**

On Wed 14th June 2023, His Holiness Pope Francis appointed Rt Rev. Stephen Wright as the fifteenth Bishop of the Diocese.

On hearing the news of his appointment Bishop Stephen said:

*"A Bishop is called to care for the People of God entrusted to him like Christ the Good Shepherd. My first acts are to listen to you, to learn from you and discern with the whole diocesan family how we worship the Lord and serve in our local communities. I look forward with joy to meeting you all in the weeks and months ahead; to see how the grace of God is alive in our parishes, our schools, our religious and lay communities, our youth ministry, our Caritas work, and in all the many ministries and communities across the Diocese."*

Read more via [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk)

### **VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT EVENING**

Planned for Tuesday 18th July is cancelled.

### **LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR SUMMER FAYRE**

At St Joseph's Home on Westmorland Road, Newcastle on Sat 1st July from 1pm-4pm. All are welcome.

### **CHRISTIAN & MUSLIM WOMEN'S PRAYER EVENT**

Taking place at St Mary's Chapel, Reid Park Road, Jesmond on Saturday 24th June at 2.30pm.

"It is vital that in our very diverse society we get to know people of other faiths and so build greater understanding. Since 2010, a group of Christian and Muslim women have met annually to pray for peace in the ruins of St Mary's chapel in Jesmond. St Mary's chapel was once an important medieval shrine to Our Lady, so it provides a suitable and very tranquil setting to honour Mary the mother of Jesus and to pray for peace."

### **VACANCIES**

Senior Administrator, Dept for Safeguarding, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle.

Full-time position, the closing date for applications is 26th June.

Visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details or contact 0191 243 3301.