

“Thank you Fr. Sean, our church community,
Nat’s & the church choir and Backworth Colliery Brass Band
for the love and care showered through your
involvement in Samuel’s life; through your conversations,
prayers and support throughout his 10+ years spend with us all...
he loved every moment.

“Samuel loved his music and would always clap whenever
he heard music.

Thanks to our church choir and Backworth Colliery Band for
the lively love filled music for sending Samuel on
his heavenly journey.

“May Samuel’s love and smile be with you all always.”

The Cardozo Family.



Welcome to our Parish Newsletter:
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Sunday 23rd July 2023:

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

After listening to today’s Gospel, A Parable of Growth (Matt 13:24-30),
consider Fr Henry Wansbrough’s reflection:-

The Gospel of Matthew gathers together a whole set of pictures which
Jesus used to describe the society of God’s servants which he was intent
on setting up.

Matthew calls it ‘the Kingdom of Heaven’. Jews avoided bandying
around the name of ‘God’, so Matthew calls it by the place where
God is enthroned, Heaven.

The first picture, the wheat and the darnel, shows that in some of
those called the good seed has been overlaid by weed.

In its early growth this weed, the inedible darnel, is incredibly difficult for
a non-farmer to distinguish from good barley. No more can we presume
to sort out who is seeking God and who is not; it is dangerous to despise
or to dismiss anyone at all.

The explanation given by Matthew constitutes a warning that the
harvest, the judgment, will come in the end.

Do we have any right to judge others (or may we be mistaking wheat for
darnel)? What is the darnel in us that needs weeding out before the
judgment?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:

SUMMER HOLIDAYS: We thank those who have guided and supported our children in the schools across our parishes. Wishing all a quiet & refreshing summer break! For those travelling during the summer months we wish you safe journeys and happy adventures.

For all we wish good weather, good times and God's presence.

CONFESSION: Saturday 5th August at St. Aidan'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 25th July, 10.30am at St Mary's.

Please note no Thursday evening group during the summer break.

ST MARY'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Meeting 11:45am on Sun 3rd Sept.

COLLECTIONS: w/c 16th July 2023

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose Plate: £237.00/ Envelopes: £72.00/ Hall Hire: £36.00

Apostleship of the Sea: £150.00

ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £217.15 / Envelopes: £70.00 / Donation: £60.00

Apostleship of the Sea: £15.80 / Fri Coffee Morn: £74.00 (Little Sisters)

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please see envelopes and baskets at the entrances to our churches to request a mass intention.

SPIRITUAL BOOK LIBRARY: A selection of thought-provoking books are available in St Mary's church hall. Please borrow, read and return.

SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED THIS SUMMER: Non-perishable food is always in demand—sugar, rice, tea, tuna, tomatoes, biscuits etc. Thank you.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE: NEW BISHOP

The Installation of Bishop Stephen Wright as 15th Bishop of the Diocese took place in St Mary's Cathedral on Wed 19th July. We wish Bishop Stephen every blessing for a fulfilling & happy ministry in our Diocese.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR w/c 23rd July 2023

Sat. 22nd (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 23rd (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Thomas Bews
Sun. 23rd (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Cardozo Family
Mon. 24th	*** NO MASS ***	
Tues. 25th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Gwen Allmond
Wed. 26th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intentions
Thurs. 27th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intentions
Fri. 28th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Cardozo Family
Sat. 29th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 30th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Stuart White
Sun. 30th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Samuel Cardozo

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PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 30th July - The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Christian takes on Christ's history as his or her own."

Second Reading: The True Image of the Son (Romans 8:28-30)

CHILDREN'S PRAYER:

God of all, we give you thanks for all you have given us. Help us to share what we have so all people may have enough. We ask this through Christ our Lord, 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.

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