

*We ask that you continue to wear a face mask while in our Churches.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING:** 29th May 2022

Sat. 28th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 29th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Joyce Devlin
Sun. 29th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Hugh Kelly
Mon. 30th	*** NO MASS	***
Tues. 31st (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Priest's Intention
<b>Tues. 31st (St. Aidan's)</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass Jim Jones</b>
Wed. 1st June (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intention
Thurs. 2nd (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Priest's Intention
Fri. 3rd (St. Mary's)	10.00am	World Peace
Sat. 4th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 5th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	People of the Parish
Sun. 5th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Raymond O'Dowd

**PREPARATION FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY (5TH JUNE)**

"Pentecost is the celebration of the Spirit of Jesus alive and active in every Christian."

Second Reading: The Spirit of Christ in Me (Romans 8:8-17)

**WE ASK YOU PRAY FOR:**

Those who are sick & all those whose anniversary occurs about this time:  
Peter Richard, Paul Stowar, William Blewitt, Maurice Lamb,  
Raymond Healy, Gordon King, James Atkinson, Elizabeth Whitfield,  
Kathleen Heddle, Jenny Bell, Stephen Wood, Cuthbert Burley,  
John Hemmings, George Wilkes, Martin McCardle, Evelyn Harris,  
Olive Rowe, William Wood, Mary Crombie, Brian Fairlamb, George Burn,  
Sarah Hornsby, Winnie Caveney, Walter Pritchard, Doreen Grimes,  
James Campbell, David Milligan, Maud Connor, Thomas Cuthbert,  
Ann Crawley, John Keenan, Veronica Osborne.

**KEEP IN TOUCH**

Contact Fr Hall directly via 0191 268 4222 or seanehall1@gmail.com

Access weekend mass live via our Facebook page NE12Catholic.

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

**Welcome to our Parish Newsletter for:**

**St. Mary's & St. Aidan's R.C Churches**

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**Sunday 29th May 2022**

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

After listening to today's Gospel, The Glory of Christ (John 17:20-26), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

The final chapter of Jesus's sayings at the Last supper is a prayer which both gives meaning to the sacrifice which Jesus is about to make and at the same time is a meditation on the Lord's Prayer.

In today's portion Jesus speaks to his Father (also 'Our Father') with that perfect love which he will express most fully in his acceptance of torture and death on the cross.

The story of the Crucifixion is not a story of rejection, but is the story of the most perfect union of Father and Son in love and willing obedience. It will make the Name, that is the love, of the Father fully known ('Hallowed be thy Name'). It will also grant Jesus that 'glory which he had before the foundation of the world' (Thy Kingdom come').

But the kingdom is not complete without those who believe in Jesus and belong to him. The completion of the Kingdom is the work of the Spirit which is to come upon the Church at Pentecost.

The story of its completion is, with all its twist and turns, its failures, its chastisements and its recoveries, the history of the Church. Which petition of the Lord's Prayer is most important to you?

**Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

## **NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:**

### **FR. PATRICK KENNEDY - DIAMOND JUBILEE**

All parishioners of previous parishes of Fr Patrick Kennedy are invited to join him for a Celebration of his Ordination, at Mass on Thursday 16th June 10.00am at St Gregory's Church, South Shields NE34 6NR. Everyone is also welcome to join him for refreshments in the Church Hall after Mass.

### **ST AIDAN'S SPRING PLANT SALE - This weekend!**

Sunday 29th May, 10.00 until 12.00 noon on Swarland Avenue, NE7 7TD. Plants include a variety of annuals and perennials - all in small trays so please bring a bag or box. Free parking in Swarland Avenue. Cash donations in aid of Newcastle Food Banks are very welcome.

### **FOUNDATION GOVERNORS AT ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

St Mary's Primary School has two vacancies for foundation governors on the Local Governing Committee. Governors play a crucial role in the leadership of the Diocesan schools sharing in both the strategic responsibility of promoting high educational standards and ensuring that the Catholic character of the school is preserved. If you are interested or would like more information about the role, please contact Siobhan Foster (Head Teacher) via email: [office@stmarysfh.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarysfh.org.uk) or telephone: 0191 8142006.

### **FUNDRAISING LOTTERY**

The Parents, Teachers & Friends Association at St Mary's Primary School is raising funds to replace the school minibus which was stolen during lockdown. They have launched an online lottery and are inviting the local community to take part. Tickets cost just £1 with a guaranteed weekly local winner and the chance to win a national jackpot. Visit [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search 'Friends of St Mary's' Thank you for your support and good luck!

### **PARISH REFUGE PROJECT**

Your ongoing support is much appreciated - tinned food, toiletries, warm clothing and kitchen equipment currently needed.

### **COLLECTIONS: W/C 22nd May**

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose plate: £378.00 / Envelopes: £67.00 / Hall Hire: £40.00  
Sick & Retired Priests: £150.00  
ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £202.90 / Envelopes: £158.50  
Donation: £50.00 / Friday Coffee Morning: £40.00 (Ukraine)  
*Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.*

## **NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE:**

### **EUCCHARISTIC FESTIVAL 2022**

Sunday 19th June on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi at Ushaw House, Durham DH7 9RH. 3 pm – 4.30 pm. Free entry into Ushaw from 2.30 pm. There is no charge for this event. Donations to the Diocese are welcome. Early booking required via [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk)

### **CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY** *(starting in September 2022)*

Are you currently involved in Church ministry but wish you knew more about your faith? Do you sometimes lack confidence and feel you could benefit from further training and formation? Do you want to grow in your faith and ministry and perhaps find new ways to share your gifts with others? We have a course designed just for you.

The Certificate in Pastoral Ministry is an online, two-year learning experience created with the busy person in mind. It will take you on a journey of discovery about key aspects of the Catholic faith while helping you to reflect upon your own ministry and the ministry of others.

To find out more join us online for one of our information evenings: Tuesday 14th June or Wednesday 22nd June from 7:30pm - 9:00pm. To register your interest for one of the information evenings, or for further information please email [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk)

### **VACANCIES**

Property Surveyor – full-time, 2 year fixed term contract.  
Flexible working available. Closing date: 1st June 2022  
IT Project Manager – full-time, 12 month fixed term contract.  
Closing date for applications: 2nd June 2022  
Visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details or call 0191 243 3301.