Congratulations to the children making their First Holy Communion at St Mary of the Rosary this weekend:



Stanley, Rory, Joseph, Ryan, Miles.

Lord God, You build us up by our sharing in the Bread that is broken so that each of us may be part of the Body of Christ. Guide these sheep of the flock chosen by you to receive your Son. May he keep them safe, bring them back when they stray and satisfy their hunger. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Welcome to our Parish Newsletter for: St. Mary's & St. Aidan's R.C Churches Rev. Sean Hall Tel. 0191 268 4222 www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com Join us on Facebook - NE12Catholic

Sunday 3rd July 2022 The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

After listening to today's Gospel, The Mission in Action (Luke 10:1-12. 17-20), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection. The instructions to the seventy-two who are sent out are direct and simple. They are really sent out like lambs among wolves, without food, without distractions, without baggage, without spares.

The version in the Gospel of Mark allows them sandals, presumably to enable them to make more speed on their journey, for the urgency of the task is paramount.

They are not to be distracted by picking and choosing their accommodation or their food. Direct, too, is their method: to impart the blessing of peace and to heal. No second chance: if the blessing is rejected, away they go, leaving the town to a fate worse than that of Sodom!

Last Sunday's gospel demanded an uncompromisingly whole-hearted response to Jesus from the apostles. This Sunday the apostles demand the same response to their own message. Again the absolute demands of Jesus!

There is a wonderful simplicity about this message of the coming of the Kingdom: all that is involved is peace and healing. No squabbles, no fripperies, no complications of doctrine. If these Kingdom values can remain the focus of our Christian vision, we may make some progress towards bringing the Kingdom of God to reality in our own surroundings. What would you say are the most important aspects of the Kingdom? What sort of healing can I bring in my own surroundings?

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES: ST MARY'S JUNE PCC MEETING MINUTES

Available to view on our website www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk

COLLECTIONS: w/c 26th June

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose plate: £128.00 / Envelopes: £52.00 / Hall Hire: £50.00 Lay Training Fund: £102.00 / Peter's Pence: £60.00 / Piety Stall: £30.00 Stole fees: £10.00 / Candles: £9.00 / Northern Cross: £9.00 (six sold) ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £228.00 / Envelopes: £124.00 Donations: £70.00 / Friday Coffee Morning: £38.00 (Coping with Cancer) Standing Orders for My: £1,601.00 Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT WITH SVP, BLACKFRIARS

Non-perishable food and toiletries are always needed. Please leave your donations at St Mary's. Thank you.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE:

FAMILY LITURGY & LUNCH

St Cuthbert's Church, Chester-le-Street on Sun 10th July 1pm—3pm. Bring your own picnic. Info via adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

PROUD CATHOLICS

Next meeting Tues 19th July from 7.30pm at St Andrew's RC Church. Visit www.proudcatholics.co.uk for more details.

MERCY PROJECT TRUSTEES NEEDED

The Mercy Project, a small North East charity, requires Trustees able to assist with grant management and as a treasurer / bookkeeper. To discuss, contact Ruth Corless via mercy@mercyproject.org.uk or on 07549960071.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR, NEWCASTLE

Volunteers needed. Please contact 0191 2731279 for details.

- Mask wearing is now a personal choice in our Churches -

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING: 26th June 2022

Sat. 2nd (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Raymond Henderson
Sun. 3rd (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Thanksgiving for Joshua's birthday
Sun. 3rd (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Michael 'Joe' Mulroney

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat. 9th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Gerard Earley
Sun. 10th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Aleyamma Joseph
Sun. 10th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Laura Anne Heslop

PREPARATION

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 10th July 2022 "Christ brings all things to perfection and completion." Second Reading: Christ the First-born (Colossians 1:15-20).

WE ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR:

Those who are sick: Anne Innes, Eimear O'Hogarty. And those whose anniversary occurs about this time: Mary Heads, Edith Swaddle, Sarah Wilkinson, Luke Farrell, Sarah Wilkinson, Luke Farrell, Margaret McNeil, Christopher Garfield, Eleanor Kelly, George Thompson, Phil Quigley, William Pobert, Ellen McAvoy, Florence Fearns, Stuart Hood, Edward Armstrong, Thomas Mullen, Margaret Wilkes, Jean Kenney, Andrew Young, Hannah Curry, Denise Novell, George Taylor, Mary Morris, Catherine McQueen, Jennine Reilly, Mary White.

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