

Welcome to our Parish Newsletter for: St. Mary's R.C. Church and St. Aidan's R.C Church Rev. Sean Hall Tel. 0191 268 4222 www.stmarysforesthall.co.uk www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com Join us on Facebook - NE12Catholic

Sunday 31st October 2021 The Feast of All Saints

After listening to today's Gospel, The Beatitudes (Mt.5:1-12), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

These eight blessings stand at the head of the Sermon on the Mount, pointing out eight ways in which we can welcome God into our lives. They are ways of living out God's blessing, possible only if the hand of God is upon us. That is why the first and the last beatitudes knit them all together with 'theirs is the kingdom of heaven'.

Jesus came to proclaim the kingship of his Father, and these are ways of living that kingship. For each of the beatitudes, do you know someone in the parish or elsewhere in your life who exemplifies that particular attitude? Or is there a saint whom you consider typifies each of these beatitudes for you? What is your own favourite beatitude?

Jesus illustrates the beatitudes in various incidents in the gospels: he enters Jerusalem on a donkey as the gentle king; he shows love in his welcome to sinners; he brings peace to those tortured by disease or contempt; he manifests purity of heart in his single-minded pre-occupation with his Father's will; finally, he accepts persecution for what he knew to be right.

All Christians may suddenly find themselves face to face with similar shattering challenges. Which of these 'beatitudes' do you most lack? Which would you most like to acquire?

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES: COLLECTIONS

W/C 24th October 2021

St. Aidan's - Loose Plate: £91.00 // Gift Aid: £562.00 // Hall Hire: £32.00 Mass Offering: £10.00 St. Mary's - Loose Plate: £80.75 // Envelopes: £97.00 // Mission Appeal: £15.00 Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

FROM THE DIOCESE: YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

Watch Bishop Robert as he introduces the Synod & Year of the Eucharist in the Diocese in a video available at www.rcdhn.org.uk

NORTHERN CROSS

The latest edition of the Northern Cross is now available. You can subscribe by visiting www.northerncross.org.uk

YOUNG ADULT PRAYER GROUP

Young Adults (including university students) from across the area are invited for a time of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament with some music and reflection. Every Monday in term time from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at St. Andrew's Church, Newcastle followed by social time in a local pub. Drop in for a few minutes even if you cannot stay for the whole hour!

DIOCESAN MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS

The Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers will be at 11am on Saturday 20th November at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. Bishop Robert will celebrate the Mass and it is hoped that servers come together from across the Diocese. It will be great to see everyone.

DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Preparations are beginning for the annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 29th July - Friday 5th August 2022 and it would be helpful if you could indicate your interest by contacting lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 31st October 2021

Sat. 30th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Nancy Thompson
Sun. 31st (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	People of the Parish
Sun. 31st (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Those Suffering from Cancer
Mon. 1 November	*** NO MASS ***	
Tues. 2nd (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Noel Goulding
Wed. 3rd (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Anthony Burke
Thurs. 4th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Anniversary of Fr. Hall's Ordination
Fri. 5th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	People of the Parish
Sat. 6th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Joseph Tierney
Sun. 7th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Denis Kellett
Sun. 7th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Matthew Bradley

We continue to ask that ALL except for those with genuine medical exemptions wear a suitable face covering while in our Churches. You must also continue to sanitise your hands as you enter the buildings & not gather in groups inside our Churches before or after Mass. Thank you for your co-operation.

<u>Please pray for all those who are sick and those whose anniversary</u> <u>occurs about this time:</u>

Eileen Ismay, Stan Rutherford, Kathleen Wilson, Anne Reid, Douglas Hall, Doris Robinson, Brian Hargreaves, David Ruddy, Thomas Wilkin, Alice Vasey, Dorothy Hall, John Stewart, Tom Ellison, Rose Sullivan, Joseph Blackburn, Alison Mitchelson, John Docherty, Helen Roberts, Isabella Butter, Nora Wade, Mary McDermott, Agnes Wise, Michael Yellowley, Douglas Nichols, Rosetta Potts, Norman McCormick, Claude Coyne, Robert Elsender, Helena Patterson, Ada Kelly, Martha Hedley, Elizabeth Hefflestone, Catherine Ritchie, John Wiles, Jane McNeill, Ruth Graham, Charles McKenna.

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