MASS INTENTIONS FOR w/c 9th July 2023

Sat. 8th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Ann Patricia Hodgson
Sun. 9th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Thanksgiving Alison Rebello & Family
Sun. 9th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Laura Anne Heslop
Mon. 10th ***	* NO MASS	***
Tues. 11th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Funeral Mass for Samuel Cardozo
Wed. 12th *** NO MASS ***		
Thurs. 13th (St. Aidan's)	10.00pm	Kevin and Sheila Conroy
(St Stephen's Primary School mass)		Thanksgiving for 60 years marriage
Fri. 14th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Hannah Curry
* Sat. 15th July (St. Aidan's)	11.00am	Confession
Sat. 15th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Samuel Cardozo
Sun. 16th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	James Devlin
Sun. 16th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	George Candlish

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PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 16th July 2023 - The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time *"With Jesus we are heirs of God, sharing his inheritance."* Second Reading: Creation Freed from Corruption (Romans 8:18-23)

CHILDREN'S PRAYER:

God of life, help us to hear your word. Guide us to understand it so that we may grow to live our lives the way you want us to. 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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Sunday 9th July 2023:

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

After listening to today's Gospel, Father and Son (Matthew 11:25-30), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection:-

This much-loved and encouraging passage tells of the intimacy of the relationship between Father and Son in a way that no other passage of the synoptic gospels does.

It is reminiscent of those passages in John 5 which unfold the equality of Father and Son: the Son does nothing but what he sees the Father doing; the Father loves the Son so that he entrusts all things to the Son; and the Son gives life just as the Father gives life.

Then we read about the gentle invitation of the Son to all who are overburdened. The 'yoke' is often a symbol of the Law of Moses, which could seem burdensome with its many commands, though it was also valued as God's revelation of himself to his own people in love.

Christ is not a tyrannical master, but is a sympathetic, gentle and humble leader who shares his life with his followers.

The 'yoke' or law of Christ is the interior impulse of the Spirit which we read more about in today's second reading. It cannot be burdensome, since it is a joy to carry this 'yoke'; it is a way of living with Christ and by his Spirit. Martyrs are subjected to physical pains, yet for them joy is a constant feature in the accounts of their martyrdom.

Do you ever feel you can't cope? Do you ask Jesus for help? What does Jesus mean by his 'yoke'? Do you find it comfortable?

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES: THE REVEREND MR ALISON REBELLO

Many congratulations to the Rebello family and Alison who was ordained a Deacon yesterday (8th) at St Mary's Cathedral. "We thank God for this blessing on our parish and pray Deacon Rebello enjoys a fulfilling and fruitful ministry." Please join us for our parish celebrations in

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DIOCESAN LISTENING EXERCISE: ST MARY'S MON 10TH JULY, 7 - 8.30PM

Archbishop McMahon has convened a number of meetings through which to hear the thoughts & concerns for the future of the laity of the diocese. The first will take place in St Mary's church hall. The meetings will begin at 7pm (prompt) and finish at 8.30pm They will include a time for listening, discussion and a liturgy of healing for those who wish to partake. No booking is required.

SAMUEL CARDOZO

The funeral mass for Sammy will take place at St Mary's on Tuesday 11th July at 10am. Please remember the Cardozo family in your prayers.

<u>ST AIDAN'S</u>: Wednesday 12th July - no mass Thurs 13th July at 10am - St Stephen's Primary School Mass, all welcome.

CONFESSION: Saturday 15th July 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

SENDING FORTH MASSES: Sunday 16th July, St Aidan's & St Mary's

Celebrating our children who have recently made their Holy Communion.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP: Tues 25th July, 10.30am at St Mary's. Please note that the Thursday evening group will now break for summer.

<u>ST STEPHEN'S SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR</u>: Thurs 20th July, 2 - 430pm Hot food stalls, drinks, games, activities & prizes to be won! All welcome.

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.

COLLECTIONS: w/c 2nd July

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose Plate: £220.50 / Envelopes: £82.00 / Hall Hire: £62.50 Peter's Pence: £90.00

ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £241.38 / Envelopes: £68.00 / Donation: £50.00 Friday Coffee Morning: £63.50 (Little Sisters of the Poor) Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE: CONCERT AT LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

Newcastle Male Chorus will be performing a *Sounds of Summer* concert in the chapel at St Joseph's Home, Newcastle, on Sat 22nd July at 7:00pm. The concert is in aid of the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Tickets are £8 each, include an interval drink and are available from St Joseph's Home – 0191 2731279.

PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA, NEWCASTLE

Monday & Tuesday: Closed // Wednesday to Friday: 10:00am – 4:30pm Saturday: 9.45am – 4.00pm // Sunday: 9.30am – 1.15pm For orders & enquires outside these hours, telephone: 0151 7091328.

THE CHURCH'S MISSION WITH CARDINAL TAGLE

You are invited to an online presentation Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation in which Cardinal Tagle will speak on the Church's mission and the fundamental links between evangelisation (sharing Christ and his Good News) and social action. The webinar hosted by CAFOD will take place on 14th July 7:00-8:30pm. Please go to www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation for more details.