

# SUNDAY BULLETIN

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10 FEBRUARY 2019

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*Health of the sick: Pray for us.*

Message of Pope Francis:

[https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco\\_20181125\\_giornata-malato.html](https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/papa-francesco_20181125_giornata-malato.html)

MASS TIMES	Sacred Heart	Saint Joseph's		Mass Intention
<i>Saturday for Sunday</i>		----	NO MASS	
SUNDAY Fifth in Ordinary Time	9.00am 9.30am	11.30am 3.00pm	Confessions Solemn Mass  Solemn Mass Syro-Malabar Rite Mass	Cath Watton  Sheila McDonald
Monday 11 Our Lady of Lourdes <i>World Day of Prayer for the Sick</i>				
Tuesday 12 Feria				
Wednesday 13 Feria				
Thursday 14 St Cyril & St Methodius, Patrons of Europe				
Friday 15 February Feria	9.30am  10.00am – 11.00am		Service of the Word & Communion Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Saturday 16 Feria	----		NO MASS	
SUNDAY 17 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am 9.30am	11.00am 11.30am	Confessions Solemn Mass  Confessions Solemn Mass	Special Intention  Loretta Barnett

From the Message of Pope Francis for World Day of the Sick:

On the XXVII World Day of the Sick, to be solemnly celebrated on 11 February 2019 in Calcutta, India, the Church – as a Mother to all her children, especially the infirm – reminds us that generous gestures like that of the Good Samaritan are the most credible means of evangelization. Caring for the sick requires professionalism, tenderness, straightforward and simple gestures freely given, like a caress that makes others feel loved.

Life is a gift from God. Saint Paul asks: “What do you have that you did not receive?” (1 Cor 4:7). Precisely because it is a gift, human life cannot be reduced to a personal possession or private property, especially in the light of medical and biotechnological advances that could tempt us to manipulate the “tree of life” (cf. Gen 3:24).

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - *May they rest in peace:*** Loretta Barnett, John Bradbury, Ronald Lane.

**Confessions**

**Sacred Heart**

Sundays 9.00am – 9.20am

**Saint Joseph's**

Sundays 11.00am – 11.20am

**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY**

For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution, and violence.

**PRAYER A DAY FOR VOCATIONS**

The list for February is in the porch. We are experiencing at first hand the shortage of men responding to the call to the sacred priesthood, yet sadly this initiative is still not well supported. Please volunteer to pray for vocations on one day during the month on behalf of the parish.



Ask + Invite + Pray

**OFFERTORY and FUNDRAISING The Sacred Heart**

Offertory gift aid £167.60 non gift aid £259.89 Total £441.72  
200 club winner no. 90

**St Joseph's**

Offertory gift aid £105.50 non gift aid £154.39 Total £259.89  
Raffle £117.00 Unclaimed prizes green tickets 631, 638.

**PARISH DIARY 2019**

February 14	About Being Catholic 7.15pm Sacred Heart presbytery
February 28	Deanery Mass for Vocations, St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Trent Vale, 7.00pm
March 6	ASH WEDNESDAY Lent begins
March 19	Day of Prayer for Vocations St Joseph's
June 21	Day of Prayer for Vocations at the Sacred Heart

**WELCOME**

This weekend we welcome back Fr Michael Puljic and Fr Michael Glover to celebrate Holy Mass for us. Please remember them and all the priests who are helping us at this time in your prayers.

**BISHOP ROBERT BYRNE**

The Holy See announced this week that Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Robert Byrne as Bishop of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Bishop Byrne succeeds The Right Reverend Séamus Cunningham, who has been Bishop of the Diocese since 2009. Bishop Byrne will be the fourteenth Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. Bishop Byrne was born in Manchester on 22 September 1956. He was ordained priest in 1985 and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Birmingham on 13 May, 2014.

Speaking of his appointment, Bishop Byrne said: "I am deeply humbled by the trust Pope Francis has placed in me with this appointment as Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle. I would like to thank the people and priests of the Archdiocese of Birmingham where I have served for the past five years and, in particular, Archbishop Bernard for his constant kindness and support. I look forward to making my home in the North East, with its rich Christian heritage, and also getting to know and serve the people, deacons, religious and priests of the Diocese. I ask all of you to keep me in your prayers as I pray for you."

We ask the prayers of St Chad and St Cuthbert for Bishop Byrne.

**NORTH STAFFS DEANERY MASS FOR VOCATIONS**

You are most welcome to join us as we all come together from parishes and schools from around the Deanery to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Thursday 28th February 2019 at 7.00pm at St. Teresa of the Child Jesus, Trent Vale. ST4 6SP. Principal Celebrant: Father Michael Glover. Sponsoring School: St. Joseph's College

**OPEN AFTERNOON AT ST JOSEPH'S**

Thank you to those who helped to welcome visitors and look after the church on our open afternoon. It would be good to see some new faces helping with the open days this year. We committed to opening on a certain number of days each year when we received public money in grants for the restoration of St Joseph's. Many local people are not aware what an artistic gem St Joseph's is: do spread the word about our open days.

**CAFOD TALK "CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME"**

You are invited to a CAFOD event on Wednesday 20th February at 6.30pm at Coolock Pastoral Centre, opposite Holy Trinity church in Newcastle. The main speaker will be John Guy who is one of CAFOD's trustees. John will be sharing his experience of CAFOD's work in Sierra Leone. There will be an opportunity for questions, and to look at CAFOD's materials for the Lent Family Fast Day. We will also be looking ahead at the new Campaign "Care for our Common Home".

**PUB GAMES EVENING FOR ALL FORMER PUPILS OF ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TRENT VALE** in aid of North Staffs Link Line. 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at the school. For tickets contact Gerard Whitehurst on 07966015221 or email gerard@gmg-associates.co.uk cost £20 per hear including buffet. Please get in touch as soon as possible so catering numbers can be arranged.