

ENGLISH MARTYRS & ST ROBERT'S NEWSLETTER 18TH JULY 2021
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

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Mission Statement:-
 "We, the Parishioners of English Martyrs & St Robert's recognise each person as a gifted Child of God and strive to foster a loving relationship with Christ & with each other within our community".

Sunday Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

	English Martyrs 9.30am		St Robert's 11.00am	
Date	Minister	Reader	Minister	Reader
18th July	J.Lawson	P.Cross	M.Murray J.Watson	J.Adams
25th July	G.Hands	J.Hutchinson	C.O'Toole T.Morgan	C.McCormac

ST ROBERT'S WEEKDAY MASS READERS ROTA w.b July 18th 2021 **WEEK C**


Mass Intentions

Day	English Martyrs	St Robert's
Sunday 18th July 16th Sunday of the Year	9.30 am Public Mass In Thanksgiving to God for the Family of Mr & Mrs Ajeh	11.00 am Public Mass Joe Welsh (S.R)
Monday 19th July	Private Mass Kathleen Moira O'Rawe	
Tuesday 20th July St Apollinaris Bp, M		Rosary before Mass 6.30 pm Public Mass Kathleen Donkin RIP (B.D)
Wednesday 21st July St Lawrence of Brindisi P, D	10.00 am Requiem Mass Olive Kathleen Drazkiewicz RIP	
Thursday 22nd July St Mary Magdalen		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00 am Public Mass Private Intention
Friday 23rd July St Bridget of Sweden Rel Patron of Europe	➔ NB 9.30am Public Mass English Martyrs Primary Y6 Leavers ➔ NB 11.00 am Requiem Mass Anita Lower RIP	
Saturday 24th July The Martyrs of the Diocese		
Sunday 25th July 17th Sunday of the Year	9.30 am Public Mass In Thanksgiving for Darryl's First Holy Communion	11.00am Public Mass John White RIP

ADVANCE NOTICE

There will be **NO** weekday Masses, the week beginning **25th July**. Weekday Masses will resume the following week beginning **1st August**. Next week's newsletter will be a double issue as the editor & distributors are having a week off!

PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF



Kathleen Drazkiewicz of English Martyrs Parish who died recently. Please keep her family, friends and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers. May she rest in peace.

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16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading

Jeremiah : 23 :1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 22 (23)

Response is:

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading:

Ephesians 2 : 13-18

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord I know them and they follow me.
Alleluia

Gospel:

Mark 6: 30-34



BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR MASS

Bookings can be made for the following week when attending Sunday Mass.



Telephone bookings can **only** be made by calling the office at St Robert's **0191 273 3903** each **Sunday** between **12.15pm and 1.15pm**.

If there is no reply, leave a message and one of the team will get back to you.

Unfortunately, telephone bookings **cannot** be made at any other time.

It **cannot** be guaranteed that email requests made **after** Thursday will be received in time for Sunday Mass.

NO booking is required if attending weekday Masses

UPDATE IN LIGHT OF RECENT GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

As you will be aware, H. M. Government have taken the decision to lift all of the restrictions in England which have been in place for the past 18 months due to the pandemic.

Up to the time of release of this newsletter, we are still awaiting definitive direction from the Catholic Bishops of England & Wales as to what, if any, restrictions will remain in place within our churches.

In the short term & until direction is received from the bishops, the current measures outlined below will continue to be adhered to. As soon as there are any changes, you will be notified.

Due to the very high levels of infection currently within our area, we must continue to protect our clergy, ourselves & each other from Covid-19.

Your patience & understanding are greatly appreciated.

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS - CURRENT GUIDANCE

- Stewards are **no** longer required for weekday Mass, but are still required on Sundays when larger numbers attend.
- Anyone coming into church when no steward is present can sign themselves in, giving their contact details for test & trace purposes.
- Pens are available for signing in and will be sanitized after use.
- Those with smart phones can now use the NHS QR codes.
- Face coverings must continue to be worn & the one metre social distance observed.
- The capacity for each church is now 50% of the total capacity
- At St Robert's, each row of benches can now be used, though kneelers must **NOT** be used
- **HOWEVER** at English Martyrs, seating is still restricted to alternate benches and therefore the kneelers **can** be used in the main part of the church.

CONGRATULATIONS



Many congratulations & a huge well done to Ethan, Justin, Esme, Chism, Somto, Isabella, Chloe and Olivia, who made their First Holy Communion yesterday.

Grateful thanks to Fr Mariadass, Fr John, parents, staff at Sacred Heart Primary & all who have helped to prepare the children for their special day.

May they always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love and the joy of his love within them.

SICK VISITS

Any requests for a sick visit must be made to Fr Mariadass or Fr John in the first instance. They will obtain the individual's consent for a visit.

Once this initial consent has been received details will be passed to the outreach teams of English Martyrs and St Robert's.

This is to adhere to Diocesan regulations.

MESSAGE FROM FR. LORENZO

Fr. Lorenzo sends a message of love, thought & prayer to everyone who knew him during his time at St. Robert's and especially in these uncertain times for many people. He is safe and well and enjoying working with his people in Sudan. Please keep him in your prayers.

ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH HALL

English Martyrs Church Hall is now open, whilst adhering to current government guidelines.

For hall bookings, please contact Billy on 0191 243 1366

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

- Charlotte Egdell, Daniella Fernandes, Maureen Cannon, Linda Coulson
- Nora Garvey, David Bell, Nora Doreen Grieves, George Robson, Agnes Huntington, Mary Hall
- Thomas Wears, Patrick Roarty, Wanda Novak, Winnie McPartlan, John White, Kathleen Donkin, Sarah Collingwood, Sadie Steele, Catherine May Bridgewood, Nancy Honeybell, Patricia Brown
- Walter McReavy, Nora Finnegan, Irene Hoy, Dorothy Lilley, Joseph Brown, Charles William Annetts, Catherine Heron, Louise Jamieson, Norah Green, Irene Campbell, George Nesbitt
- Patrick McArdle, Tess Garvey, John Hutchinson, Daniel Wood, Henry Fullen, William Hutchinson, Winifred McCabe, Mary Pringle
- Thomas James Stewart, Nan Ingledew, James Beresford, Irene Colquhoun
- Fr Lawrence Tinnion, Brian Foley, Beatrice Harper, Pavla Schneebergerova



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PLEASE KEEP THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND THEIR CARERS IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY:

Tony Knox, Ann O'Brien, Tony Watson, Eamon Maloney, Brian Donkin, Tom Dudley, Stella Swinburne, Michael Temperley, Rosemary Burke, Tony Carr, Eileen Brown, Kath Wood, Ann Emmerson, John Emmerson, Betty McGurk, Rita Foreman, Norma Charlton, Judy & Lawrie Ashton,



REQUESTS FOR ENTRIES ON THE SICK LIST

The only people who can give consent for names of the sick to be included in the newsletter are as follows

1. The person themselves if they are physically capable.
2. Next of kin if they are not
3. A friend **CANNOT** give consent even if the person has no one else.
4. A priest can ask the person for consent, but this must be recorded.

This is for safeguarding and GDPR purposes.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY - SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP

Pope Francis asks us to pray during the month of July that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

ONGOING FAITH WITNESS AGAINST HASSOCKFIELD

In October, the Home Office plans to open an Immigration Removal Centre at Hassockfield on the site of the former Medomsley Detention Centre. This will be for 80 women seeking asylum in the UK. The proposal is inhumane, unjust & incompatible with our faith, which calls us to recognise the intrinsic dignity of each person.

These women are people like ourselves who have the right to a place of safety & to be treated with respect and compassion.

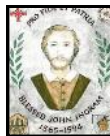
A monthly prayer vigil will be held at the barrier to Hassockfield on **1st Sunday** of each month at **3 pm** starting on **Sunday 1st August**.

This will last for about 30 minutes & will incorporate a time of silent witness. Please support this with your prayers & if at all possible, come along.

For further information, please contact lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com

BLESSED JOHN INGRAM

This annual ecumenical walk, to commemorate the martyrdom of Blessed John Ingram in 1595, will take place in a few week's time. Details to follow, In the meantime, you are asked to pray for the canonisation of this dedicated and selfless martyr especially on 26th July, the day of his martyrdom.



An on-line petition has been set up to gain support for his cause. For the petition and more information on Blessed John Ingram, please go to <https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/cause-of-canonisation-of-blessed-john-ingram>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR JOHN!

Wishing you very best wishes Fr John, on your birthday. We hope you have a lovely day. Prayers for your priestly ministry.. From everyone at English Martyrs and St Robert's



TIME OF PRAYERFUL REFLECTION AS WE MOVE TO THE 'NEW NORMAL'

Monday 19th July at 7pm on Zoom
Join Mia Fox, the University Catholic Chaplain, for a short time of personal reflection. We will reflect on the past 18 months as we start the process of integrating into the 'new normal' learning to live alongside the Coronavirus.
<https://newcastleuniversity.zoom.us/j/81392145180>
Meeting ID: 813 9214 5180 Passcode: 069523

PAULINE BOOKS - UPDATED OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 10am - 4.30pm

Saturday: 10am - 4pm

Sunday: 8.30am - 1pm

St Mary's Cathedral, Clayton St West,
Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE1 5HH
Contact details: Tel 0191 231 6040
Email newcastle@pauline-uk.org
website www.paulineuk.org



PROUD CATHOLICS

Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity?

Would you like to attend a support group run by & for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East?

We meet on the third **Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm**, currently via Zoom. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 20th July**, with the theme 'What is Caritas?'

Proud Catholics has been welcomed into the diocesan family & has a home within the Vicariate for Caritas. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website <http://www.proud Catholics.co.uk>



MEETING FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Special Ministers of the Eucharist are invited to a meeting with Fr Mariadass to look at the new rules for distribution of the Eucharist in church, at home & in care homes & to discuss arrangements for Eucharistic Services from September onwards.

The meeting for **St Robert's** will take place on **Tuesday 3rd August** from **5pm-6pm** in the narthex.

The meeting for **English Martyrs** will take place on **Wednesday 4th August** from **6pm-7pm**.

St Robert's ministers please contact Michael Hannon on **0191 274 6252** to let him know of your availability for this meeting

Thank you for the wonderful service you continue to provide to both parishes.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY



Pope Francis has designated **Sunday 25th July 2021** as the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Resources, including Pope Francis' message, a prayer and resources for Clergy have been produced by the Holy See Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life. View them here:

<https://bit.ly/prayerresourcesDioHN>

MUSIC IN J'S & B'S GARDENS

One hour of music in the Church gardens performed by local musicians from **3-4pm**. The Garden Concert Series began last year as a way of showing support for local musicians, who found themselves without work (or income) during the COVID restrictions. They are returning in 2021 due to their popularity!

Donations on the day are welcome. Drinks & chairs are available - but do bring a rug or a picnic if you prefer.

Please follow COVID guidance given on site on the day of the concert.

As the concerts are weather dependant, if the sun is shining we gather in the garden.

If the weather is inclement, we will relocate to the Church.

NB The church building has a much smaller capacity to allow for maintaining social distancing. The first 50 seats reserved will be for the garden & church if the weather is bad; the remaining seats will be for admission to the garden only. These numbers will be kept under review,

18th July The Foundry Jazz ensemble
25th July Yoshi Karamura

BACK TO SCHOOL BAGS AT J'S & B'S

FREE back to school bags are available from St James & St Bail's Church until **mid September**, subject to supply & demand.

If you or anyone you know is worried about uniform costs, you are invited to take a bag to help with uniform needs.

The bags are sorted by **AGE, TYPE OF UNIFORM & COLOUR** & all bags are **CHECKED, WASHED & IRONED**

"INFORMATION NOW"

This organization provides helpful information on local services, events & activities.

The latest update of information on many issues for people in Newcastle is now available at www.InformationNOW.org.uk

For all dog owners or this may apply equally to owners of cats too...

Dog's Bedtime Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep,
The king-sized bed is soft and deep.
I sleep right in the center groove,
My human beings can hardly move.
I've trapped their legs, they're tucked in tight,
And here is where I pass the night.

No one disturbs me or dares intrude,
Til morning comes and "I want food!"
I sneak up slowly to begin,
And nibble on my human's chin.
For morning's here, it's time to play,
I always seem to get my way.

So thank you Lord, for giving me,
This human person that I see.
The one who hugs me and holds me tight,
And shares their bed with me at night.
Amen!

HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE DAY USHAW COLLEGE, DURHAM



The Catholic Diocese Of Hexham And Newcastle Lourdes Pilgrimage

You are invited to join fellow pilgrims as Bishop Robert leads a special pilgrimage day at **Ushaw College, Durham.**

on **Saturday 31st July** from **11am to 3pm**

The day will include Mass, an opportunity to share lunch & a Marian procession.

NB Lunch & refreshments are not provided & participants are required to provide their own.

This is a free ticketed event .

Tickets are available via the booking form on the Hexham & Newcastle website

<https://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk/...>

or by ringing St Paul's Church, Alnwick on **01665 662012**

NB Booking is essential as only a limited number of tickets are available

Society of Saint Gregory Summer School

'The God Who Speaks'

Celebrating, living and sharing God's Word

4 - 6 August 2021

Sr Margaret Atkins
Bishop Peter Brignall
Fleur Dorrell
Bob Hurd

Nicholas King SJ
David McLoughlin
Dan Schutte
Dr Gemma Simmonds CJ



Prayer, contemplation, discussion and debate taking place via Zoom

Further details on our website at www.ssg.org.uk

This Summer School of liturgy & music takes place from **4 - 6 August**, via Zoom, Further details & online booking are available on their website at <https://www.ssg.org.uk/summer-school-2021/> or book by email: bookings@ssg.org.uk.

Thought for the Week

PEOPLE SEE GOD EVERYDAY. THEY JUST DON'T RECOGNISE HIM.

