

ST. JOHN'S  
HAYDON BRIDGE

ST. MARY'S  
HEXHAM

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# SUNDAY NEWSLETTER

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SUNDAY 3RD JULY 2022 | SUNDAY CYCLE: C | WEEKDAYS: 2  
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## THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION FROM OUR CLERGY

The Kingdom of God is very near you!

We are called and sent to bring the deep peace of the kingdom of God into the world.

The prophet Isaiah (First Reading) proclaims a joyful time of peace that flows like a river from the healing, comforting love of God, which is compared to the intimate, tender bond between a mother and a baby.

The same spirit of contented happiness is reflected in today's Psalm of jubilation, where the whole earth cries out with joy to the Lord.

The members of the Early Church community in Galatia are encouraged to be at peace with one another through Christ, who makes us a new creation in him. Christ is the source of all peace and unity in the world (Second Reading).

In the Gospel, Jesus sends seventy-two of his followers ahead of him. He is confident that they will have all they need for their mission through all they have learnt from following his way. He instructs them to bring his peace and healing into the communities that they visit.

In a world that cries out more than ever for the peace of Christ, especially for the people of Ukraine, this is our calling today. Jesus stands among us and sends us before him, to declare his peace and to heal and encourage people in the knowledge that the Kingdom of God is very near. Let us pray that the whole Christian community will joyfully answer this call.

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## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS IN OUR PARISHES, PARTNERSHIP AND VICARIATE

- **Cafod- Fix the food system** - You are invited to take part in a 7-station activity where you can find out: what is not working with our current food system and why we should change it. This event will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> July after 9.00am mass at St John's Church, Haydon Bridge and on 17th July after 10.30am at St Mary's Church, Hexham in the church gardens, weather permitting and should last about 45 minutes. Please come along and learn with others how, together, we can tackle this difficult issue.
- **Meeting of St Mary's Guild** – Monday 11th July at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre. All Welcome.
- **Sunday 17th July St Mary's Hexham - Italia 2022** - as you might be aware our choir visited Italy a few weeks ago, singing at mass in some of the world's most beautiful churches and basilicas in Rome, Monte Cassino and Assisi. The choir will give a short concert of some of the highlights of the music sung, Followed by a reception/social in the hall. 7:30pm. Tickets £5 on the door.
- **Fr. Luke Celebrated his First Anniversary** of Ordination to the Priesthood on Wednesday 29 June. May God bless Fr. Luke in the years ahead.
- **Fr. Jeff's Priestly Anniversary.** Please pray for Fr. Jeff, who celebrated his 29th Anniversary as a Priest on Sunday 26th June . May god bring to fulfilment the good work he has begun in him.
- **Please Pray for:** David Bateman (Portsmouth), Greg Beckett (Menevia), Bienn Carlo Manuntag (East Anglia), Colm Martin (Motherwell) and Paul Kilduff (Hexham and Newcastle) who were ordained to the Diaconate on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June and who, God willing, will be ordained to the Sacred Priesthood next year.
- **Please also keep in your prayers** Emmet O'Leary who served the Triduum Masses at St. Mary's. Emmet has now been accepted for formation for the Priesthood for our diocese and will begin as a Seminarian in September at the Royal English College, Valladolid in Spain. Likewise, please keep Joseph O'Brien, Ben Sinclair, David Pinder and Endre Kormos in your prayers, the other seminarians for our diocese.
- **A quiet Garden Day at St John of Beverley Haydon Bridge** will take place on 6th August between 10.00am—3.00pm. Bridgett Hewitt will lead the day. Bring food to share at lunch time. Suggested donation £5.

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISHES, PARTNERSHIP AND VICARIATE

- **Tuesday July 12th** - Bishop Robert Byrne will offer the **Sacrament of Confirmation** to some of our young people.

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## AROUND OUR DIOCESE, AND FURTHER AFIELD

### ANTIPHON – SUMMER CONCERT “Kings and Queens”

- **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July The Ballroom Minsteracres Retreat Centre 7.30pm** Tickets available online at [www.antiphonchoir.co.uk](http://www.antiphonchoir.co.uk) and from Minsteracres Tel 01434 673248 Price £14/£12 for under 16s and includes buffet. A licenced bar also available Antiphon end their season with a more laid-back programme of music both Contemporary and more traditional, from Zadok the Priest to Queen's Bohemian Rhapsody. We hope you are able to join us celebrate Summer in delightful setting of the Minsteracres Retreat Centre. Due to the limited seating numbers and catering, we will not be selling tickets on the door.



- **Mass of Thanksgiving for NHS Staff, Chaplains and Care Workers** - Bishop Robert Byrne invites you to attend this Mass of Thanksgiving at 19:00 on Thursday 14th July, the Feast of St Camillus, at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. This Mass will be the opportunity to express the gratitude of the Diocese to medical, nursing and healthcare staff and chaplains as we continue to emerge from the COVID Pandemic. There is no need to book a place.
- **The Vicariate for Faith & Mission invite families** across the Diocese to gather and celebrate for a Loud Family Liturgy and Lunch, taking place at St Cuthbert's Church, Chester-le-Street on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July between 1:00pm-3:00pm. Families are asked to bring their own picnic. For more information, or to book, please email [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk)
- **Sea Sunday Appeal** - Seafarers play a vital role in our lives bringing essential goods to our shores, but they work in difficult hazardous conditions. Last year more crews were abandoned by their employers than ever before. Denied the right to leave their ships for short breaks and away from families for long periods they suffer from poorer mental health. Collection envelopes available for your generous gift to provide assistance for them.
- **Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle** Joseph's Home (LSP), Newcastle are looking for volunteers to help throughout the Home (e.g. helping with residents' activities, administration duties, fundraising and other various duties). If you are interested and would like to help, please contact Sister Evelyn or Mother Deirdre at St Joseph's Home on 0191 2731279 for further details.

## GENERAL NOTICES

- **Year of the Eucharist - Encountering the Son**: The Vicariate for Faith and Mission has now produced the 'Encountering the Son' booklet, which is the second of a series of three booklets to accompany the Year of the Eucharist and our Diocesan Synodal reflection. The booklet is available on the Diocesan website <https://diocesehn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Year-of-the-Eucharist-Encountering-the-Son-reflection-booklet.pdf>
- **St Mary's S.V.P Thank You** - On behalf of St Mary's S.V.P, may we thank parishioners for their most generous donations to our charity. In 2021, in addition to helping local people in need, we also joined a scheme, run by the S.V.P to assist in the education of young persons in India and have a commitment for three years to sponsor four young people, two going through Higher Education plus another two attending technical and vocational training. During 2022, we have, on your behalf given a good donation to the needy in Ukraine. In these times of hardship, if you or anyone you know is in need please contact us. All information is treated in the utmost confidence. We are at present a group of four people and always looking for new recruits to join us. If you think you could give a small amount of time please contact any S.V.P member. We would be very pleased to welcome you.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

### Times for Confession this week:

- **Wednesday** (St Oswald's, Bellingham) by arrangement
- **Thursday** (St Wilfrid's, Haltwhistle) after 9:30 am Mass
- **Saturday** (St Mary's, Hexham) - 16:30 - 17:15



## NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Items for inclusion in the Weekly Newsletter should be forwarded to St. Mary's Parish Office ([admin@stmaryshexham.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryshexham.org.uk) or 01434 603119) before 09:00 each Wednesday.

# MASSES THIS WEEK

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vigil	2nd July	17:30	Hexham	Sean Gorman RIP
Sunday	3rd July	9:00	Haydon Bridge	Pro Populo (People of Our Parishes)
Sunday	3rd July	10:30	Live Streamed Hexham	Joseph Webster RIP
Sunday	3rd July	11:00	Bellingham	Holy Souls
Sunday	3rd July	18:00	Hexham	Maureen & Barry Clark Golden Wedding
Monday	4th July	9:30	Hexham	Sonia Cook RIP
Tuesday	5th July	9:30	Swinburne	Priest's Intention
Wednesday	6th July	9:30	Hexham	Kenneth Howell Hill Cook RIP
Wednesday	6th July	9:30	Bellingham	Holy Souls
Thursday	7th July	9:30	Haltwhistle	Holy Souls
Friday	8th July	9:30	Hexham	Batey Family RIP
Friday	8th July	12.00	Otterburn	Priest's Intention
Vigil	9th July	17:30	Hexham	Thanksgiving to our lady for Gareth's recovery
Sunday	10th July	9:00	Haydon Bridge	Mary O'Brien RIP
Sunday	10th July	10:30	Hexham	Brian McTernan RIP (MDR)
Sunday	10th July	11:00	Bellingham	Pro Populo (People of Our Parishes)
Sunday	10th July	18:00	Hexham	Nan & Michael Handley RIP

### THIS SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS (03/7/2022)

**First Reading:** Isaiah 66:10-14c

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 65

**Second Reading:** Galatians 6, 14-18

**Gospel:** Luke 10;1-12, 17-20

### THIS SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS (10/7/2022)

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 30:10-14

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 68

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1, 15-20

**Gospel:** Luke 10:25-37