

Macmillan Coffee Morning.
Saturday 19th September. 9.30am - 11.30am.

Birtley Golf Club, Birtley Lane, Birtley. DH3 2LR
 Raffle, Tombola, Tea/Coffee and cakes.
 Come along and support this worthy cause.

Your generosity will help raise vital funds so that Macmillan can continue to support people with cancer, whoever and wherever they are

If you have any news you want to share on St Joseph's Newsletter please email me laverypauline9@gmail.com. The deadline for entries is Wednesday evening Fr Martin Wheaton will approve a draft copy before printing.

Catholic Education Service

Chaired by Bishop Marcus Stock of Leeds, the CES represents the Bishops' national education policy in relation to the 2,300 Catholic schools, colleges and university colleges across England and Wales. The CESEW negotiates with the Westminster and Welsh Governments and other national bodies in order to safeguard and promote Catholic education. It also offers a Catholic contribution to the English and Welsh educational landscapes, seeking to ensure that the principles of Catholic Social Teaching are reflected in all aspects of national education policy.

Missio Magazines

The new quarterly Missio magazines are back of the Church for people to take and could anyone having mission money to bank bring it to church for John to process- Thank you

Partnership Newsletter

Unfortunately, the subscription to Church Desk has now terminated and they can no longer send this out via email. If you still require an electronic copy please email me paulinelavery9@gmail.com and I will (try!) to compile a new distribution list

ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

12th September 2026 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Cycle A)

Fr Martin Wheaton 07709 961040
Website. www.stjosephsbirtley.co.uk

DAY	DATE		TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	12 th Sept	Education Sunday	5:00pm	Catherine & Jim Tumelty 60 th Wedding Thanksgiving
Tuesday	15 th Sept	Rosary 6 :40pm	7:00pm	Edward Stourton R.I.P
Thursday	17 th Sept		12:00am	Cathie Irwin R.I.P
Friday	18 th Sept	@St Benets	9:15am	Sheila Tweedy R.I.P
Saturday	19 th Sept	HomeMission Sunday	5:00pm	Bro.Tom Quinn M.H.M R.I.P

12th Sept- Catholic Education Service- 19th Sept - Mission Sunday

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE SICK:

**Teresa McAnaney, Kathleen Haigh, Caroline Kennedy (nee Hattam)
 Joe Tyrrell, Bob Fish; Pat Lamb; Mick Davison; Ursula Duru;
 Claire Avery; Beverley Homes, Maureen Joyce, Neil Robson**

Please let Fr Martin know of any sick or housebound within the parish who would like to see a priest.

If you would like to include or remove any family member to St Joseph's list please message Pauline Lavery

Reconciliation: After 12 noon Mass on Thursday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Held in church every Thursday evening 6.30pm-7.30pm.

You are welcome to sit with the Lord in silence for a few minutes or the entire hour

MASS INTENTIONS:

If you wish to arrange a Mass Intention at St Joseph's, special envelopes are available at the back of Church.

Life in the Spirit Seminar Series: Harlow Green - 24th September 2026—12th November 2026. Join us for this opportunity to experience the new life we are promised through baptism in the Holy Spirit. Life in the Spirit seminars are being run by the Diocesan CHARIS group and you will be very welcome to attend. Many who have attended previous seminars have spoken of how it has given their faith a real boost and helped them experience God's love in tangible ways.

Venue: *St Anne, Rokeby View, Harlow Green, Gateshead, NE9 7UD.*

Cost: Free. Time: 7pm to 8.30pm. The new quarterly Missio magazines are back of the Church for people to take and could anyone having mission money to bank bring it to church for John to process- Thank you

Dates and Titles of Sessions:

24th September 2026: Introduction,

1st October: G God's Love – Andy Drozdziak,

8th October: Salvation – Fr Anthony Ohaekwusi,

22nd October: The New Life – Christine Dixon,

29th October: Receiving God's Gifts – Fr Chris Warren,

5th November: Baptism in the Holy Spirit – Fr Shaun O'Neill,

12th November: Growth – Nikki Dickenson,

19th November: Transformation in Christ – John Wheeler.

Please book your place. Call 0191 243 3316 or email formation.mission@dioceschn.org.uk

NORTHERN CROSS

On sale at the back of church £2. Please put money in wall safe marked "cards"

COFFEE MORNING.

Every Sunday 10:00am in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome.

This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends and also raise money for some of our local charities.

The charity this week is for the CAFOD

Next Pastoral Council Meeting

This Sunday 13th September. If you have any item you wish to be discussed please contact any member of the council. (See notice at the back of church)

SVP 200 Club

The September draw for the SVP 200 Club has now been made
Congratulations to Frances Thompson who was successful in the draw.
The full results are at the back of the Church.

St Joseph's Toddler Group

Our popular Toddler Group returns next Wednesday morning, and we'd love to welcome you and your little ones to our **infant school** for a fun and friendly session.

Facilitated by an experienced teacher.

 Come along for play, snacks, singing and coffee during term time.

 Wednesdays

 9am - 10:30am

Email: info@sjib.bwcet.com for more information

We have a gorgeous little group - come along and enjoy a warm welcome!

On Home Mission Sunday,

The Bishops of England and Wales ask the faithful of our countries to look for ways in which we can all do our part in sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ.

When we speak of 'Home Mission' we are not neglecting our sisters and brothers around the world (*World Mission Sunday* gives due attention to this important work), but we recognise that we are called to witness to Christ in our homes, at work, in our friendships and in every aspect of our daily life.

Being part of the family of God means we should feel 'at home' but this also challenges us to be missionary disciples in England and Wales so that we can make a home for all who hunger and thirst for the God who loves them and wants them to come home to him.