

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.

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

NORTHERN CROSS

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATIONS

Our wonderful team of First Holy Communion catechists would love some help with this year's programme. If you would like to get involved, once a month on a Thursday evening for an hour, we would love to hear from you!

Please get in touch with Rachel Prior on 07940291009.

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

19th September 2026 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Cycle A)

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DAY	DATE		TIME	INTENTION
Saturday	19 th Sept	HomeMission Sunday	5:00pm	Bro.Tom Quinn M.H.M R.I.P
Tuesday	22 nd Sept	Rosary 6 :40pm	7:00pm	Fr Desmond Preston - Intention
Thursday	24 th Sept		12:00am	James Scott R.I P
Friday	25 th Sept		10:00am	John Littlewood R.I P
Saturday	26 th Sept		5:00pm	Peter Lavery R.I P

19th Sept – Home Mission Sunday – 26th Sept No Collection

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Bob Fish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE SICK:

Teresa McAnaney, Kathleen Haigh, Caroline Kennedy (nee Hattam)

Joe Tyrrell,; 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.

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

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 VINNIES

Vinnies are extremely short of Forks and Dessert Spoons if you have any to spare there is a basket at the back of church for your donations. Many thanks

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!

Catechists: Anyone who is interested in becoming a catechist, in order to assist with sacramental preparation, please contact Fr Martin. If you're already a trained catechist could you also contact Fr Martin. This will assist us to form a list for future programmes.

Parish Hall

Michael Lavery has agreed to chair a team who are willing to share ideas on how to fund the refurbishment of the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please email me paulinelavery9@gmail.com and I will finalise a meeting. Please let me know which days you are available so we can get as many as possible to attend the initial meeting. Many thanks

St Benet's Catholic Primary, Ouston

For any parents of children with little ones ready to start school in September 2027, we have our open afternoon coming up!

Please come along and see what a fantastic school we are and what we can offer your child!

Tuesday 20th October 1:30-2:30pm