

# St Joseph, St Anne & Holy Family Sunderland

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR** all the sick in the hospital and in our parishes including Bertha Appleton, Jimmy Carson, Ethel Fagan, Denise Calvert, Paul Tulloch, Jan Buckley, Dot O'Connor, Fr Dominic McGivern, Alison Bayliss, Ernie Barkes, Connor Cassidy, Milli, John, Fr. Phil O'Brien, Tom & Tess Garton, Emily Armour, Kit & Louie Wake, Cath Boddy, Rose Smith, Ellen Taylor, Margaret Harrison, Miriam Gibson, Alice & Ernie Giles, Harriet Roffe, Ena McClumpa, Brenda Proctor, Jennie Quinan, Irene Ward, Cyril Green, Frank Monaghan, Ellen Gibson, Betty Stobbs, Irene Timby, Rene Donkin, Mary Munday, Margaret Hodgson, Bridget Brewster, Billy Stobbs Rita Brett, John Duffy, Cissy Vyse, Kate Roddy, James Chapman, Ray Kirwan, Gerry Coggins, Ernie Cook, Ellen Huntley and Julie Banks.

## **COLLECTIONS-Easter Sunday.**

St. Joseph's	Envelopes £727.17	Plate £511.90	Good Friday £367.99
St. Anne's	Envelopes £305.55	Plate £184.60	
Holy Family	Offertory £368.73	Fr. Joe £8.43	

## **COLLECTIONS-2nd Sunday of Easter**

St. Joseph's	Envelopes £774.79	Plate £206.91	
St. Anne's	Envelopes £296.20	Plate £76.25	
Holy Family	Offertory £266.31	Fr. Joe £13.86	



## **YEAR OF THE PRIEST**

This week we pray for Rew. Peter Leighton, James Lennon, Simon Lerche, Marc Lyden-Smith, Alan MacKnight, Luke Magee and Patrick Magner.

## **SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS**

The fund remains open until 2nd May for individual and group donations.

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Celebrated next Sunday, 25th April. Bishop Seamus will be celebrating the 9.30am Mass at St. Joseph's on this day. This is his first visit to the parish as Bishop. We extend to him a very warm welcome. It would be good if we can have all altar servers attending this Mass.

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Following the Deanery Forum Meeting, Parish Council meetings have been arranged as follows:-  
7.30pm Tuesday, 20th April, St. Anne's; 7.30pm Wednesday, 21st April Holy Family; 7pm Thursday,  
22nd April St. Joseph's. The questions for discussion are as follows:-

**What is the most precious asset the Church in Sunderland has?**

**What are the most important responsibilities of the clergy?**

**What tasks, currently undertaken by the clergy, must be delegated to parishioners? If we are reduced to five priests where should they live?**

**Do we need twelve churches?**

**Do our current boundaries make sense?**

**Do parishes meet their running costs and can they afford future repairs?**

**Does your parish have an active parish council finance committee/pastoral/social groups? Is there active involvement of lay people?**

**Do we need to adjust Mass times across the Deanery?**

Everyone is welcome to these meetings. The next Deanery Forum is Thursday, 6th May at 7pm.

### **MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

If you wish to be a Minister please see Fr. Michael as soon as possible. The next course for new Ministers is at Holy Rosary, Billingham on 21st, & 28th June and 3rd July.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS**

Today the parents and children have their preparation meetings after 9.30am Mass at St. Joseph's and 5pm Mass at St. Anne's. Next weekend the children will be involved in our liturgy.

**JOINT CEILIDH** Following the huge success of our joint Social Evening we are arranging a joint Ceilidh for all 3 parishes. Again this will be at the Alexandra at Grangetown on 14th May from 7pm—10.30pm. Tickets £5 are on sale from this weekend.

### **LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR - Garden Fete**

Monday, 3rd May starts at 1.30pm. See the poster at the back of church for more information.

### **THE CHALLENGE OF BEING CHURCH TODAY—A DIOCESAN DAY OF REFLECTION 29TH MAY**

This Day has been organised at the request of Bishop Seamus at St Robert's School, Washington, and is for **ALL Laity and Clergy** to reflect on priestly ministry and the future of the Church. He would like as many of the laity to attend as possible. The parishes will pay for those wishing to go. For more information please see the poster at the back of church. There is a list to sign if you wish to attend.

## **ST. ANNE'S NEWS**

### **COFFEE MORNING**

after Mass this morning in the Hilton

### **ST. GEORGE'S NIGHT**

Friday 23rd April - Fish and Chip supper, music and dance. Tickets on sale today at £4.

**BOWLS CLUB** on Monday evenings are looking for new members. All are welcome

### **SALSA NIGHT**

In June. Tickets £5 more details to follow later.



## HOLY FAMILY NEWS



### MANY THANKS

To Fr Michael & Fr Tom for the spiritually uplifting and joyous services we have enjoyed during Holy Week and over the Easter weekend. In the current difficult and trying times our church finds itself, we can surely ask no more of our two priests other than they do their best on our behalf-after all, even our Lord Jesus Christ didn't find it easy to be in more than one place at a time. We may not have had as many celebrations in our individual churches as we are used to-but one surely cannot argue against the quality of what we have received collectively.

## ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS

### REPOSITORY SALE

This weekend after both Masses in the Narthex. As First Holy Communion are approaching we have a good stock of First Communion Gifts, cards etc so please take a little time to come and look at what we have to offer.

### CONGRATULATIONS AND PRAYERFUL GOOD WISHES

TO Hannah Graydon of Marigold Court who celebrated her 95th Birthday on 23rd April. Many more blessings.



### ANGELUS LUNCH CLUB

Our next lunch is on Wednesday, 28th April when we will be celebrating Hannah's birthday. It is essential that you let us know TODAY if you are not able to come. Taxis will call at the usual time.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY ROTA

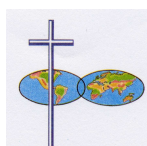
is available from St. Cuthbert's, Chapel after Mass this weekend. There is also a list, for the leaders, of the Godly Play that we have available. We still need more parents to help out, so if there are not enough adults going into the liturgy please go in with your child.



### ALTAR SERVERS ROTA

is also available this weekend from St. Cuthbert's Chapel.

### MILL HILL MISSIONS



During the month of April the Zealators will be calling to empty the red boxes. We have just received, from Mill Hill, the Diocesan list of Donations for 2009 and out of 177 parishes St Joseph's were second in the list of donations. This is despite the many difficulties people and the many calls on your generosity. So, many thanks and well done to everyone.

### ST JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTRE-AGM

takes place on Friday, 7th May in the Lounge at 8pm. Notices for your information are placed on the members notice board in the centre. If you have any questions to raise please put them in writing to the secretary at least one week before AGM. Membership need to be up to date or you will not be able to attend. The meeting starts prompt at 8pm. Late-comers will not be allowed in.