

The Newsletter of the parishes of



St. Alban at Pelaw



St. Patrick at Felling



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Trinity Sunday
26th May, 2024

The following celebrations will take place during the days ahead.

Saturday: (25th) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (26th May) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Pat Donald

Tuesday: (28th May) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Patricia Lagan

Friday: (31st May) 18.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: In Thanksgiving

Saturday: (1st June) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: Brian Gilmore

Sunday: (2nd June) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday: (4th June) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Lena & Brian Shanks

Mass to view on line

Mass is live streamed from the [Holy Name, Jesmond](#). Visit their parish website to discover the times for the coming week.

When you are unable to celebrate Mass in Church, you may wish to make this act of spiritual communion:-

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Please keep in your prayers:

- all our parishioners who are sick, housebound or in hospital
- and all those whose memories we cherish at this time

World Children's Day

In 2023, Pope Francis declared that the Catholic Church's first World Children's Day would take place on 25-26 May, 2024.

Bishop Stephen has a special message for the Children of our Diocese which may be watched by clicking [here](#). Parents and carers are encouraged to assist their children in watching this short message.

In Thanksgiving -- Friday, 31st May

You are invited to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving, to mark Fr. Patterson's approaching retirement, in St. Patrick's Church on Friday, 31st March at 18.00 followed by a social evening in the parish centre. Everyone is welcome to come along - families, friends and neighbours, former parishioners and partnership friends - you will all receive a very warm welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers - Renewal of commitment

Next weekend, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a day on which our Eucharistic ministers are invited to renew their commitment. This may be done at the Vigil Mass in St Alban's Church or at the Sunday morning mass in St Patrick's Church.

The Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord.

Ushaw will be hosting a Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Bishop Stephen on Sunday 2nd June starting at 15.00 in St. Cuthbert's Chapel. Weather permitting, the procession will go through Ushaw's gardens, returning to the Chapel for Benediction. Teas and coffees will be available after the service. You do not need a ticket for this event, but please sign up at <https://ushaw.org/whats-on-at-ushaw/> to help Ushaw to estimate numbers and car parking requirements.

Please bring your leaf

Please remember to return your "leaf" this weekend. Extra leaves will be available from St. Patrick's this weekend.



School News from Mrs Robinson

The children and staff at school have had a very productive and fun-filled half term. Next week is our half term holiday and then we return for the final half term of the academic year. It promises to be packed with lots of learning and exciting activities as we live up to our mission statement to 'live life to the full'.

Diocesan Vision - A message from Bishop Stephen

Dear Sisters and Brothers, in order to grow as a synodal Church, it is important that we all have a chance to pray and discern how the Holy Spirit is inviting us to grow in mission in our parishes and communities. To facilitate this, I, together with others, offer an initial Diocesan Vision for your prayerful reflection. Our discerned Diocesan commitments are: *To Walk with Jesus and Enable Others to Encounter Him; To grow as One Diocesan Family- Rebuilding Relationships; Forming and Developing People for Mission; Living Justly and Caring for Our Common Home.* Each of these commitments is developed in the Vision. It is not my intention to impose this Vision. It is offered for further reflection and I invite all of our parishes and communities to prayerfully reflect on them. With assurances and prayers, + Bishop Stephen.

If you would like to engage in meeting to discern how we can respond to Bishop Stephen's important invitation, please email the parish office at felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk or speak to Terry or Christine Harbron, Tricia McGinley or Kevin Rhodes.

Our Partnership Update

St. Alban's and St. Patrick's are part of the John Ingram Partnership. Regular meetings are held with clergy and lay representatives to discern ways in which the Catholic Community in our local area can work together and support each other. At the May meeting Fr. Patterson was thanked for his many years of service in the Partnership and wished a long and happy retirement. In this time of change for many of our parishes, we encourage patience and understanding. We must continue to support our priests and pray for them; and work hard to encourage and develop our faith communities. The Partnership Group will meet again in September. The Partnership representative for St. Alban's is Terry Harbron and Alan Egdell is the representative for St. Patrick's.

Refugee Week at St Mary's Cathedral

An event to welcome and celebrate refugees, asylum seekers and migrants to our Diocese will take place at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on Tuesday 18 June at 18.30. This event will celebrate the richness of our Diocesan family by bringing together people of different nationalities who make their home here in the North East of England. We will have the opportunity to listen to people's stories, celebrate their talents and recognise that we are better off when we welcome the strangers and make them our friends. We will hear what the Diocese has to offer and also see the gifts and talents of our new neighbours. Everyone is welcome to join in this celebration organised by the Vicariate for Caritas.

Significance Festival Weekend

All are welcome to the Emmaus Village for the Significance Festival on Saturday 29th June from 10.00. The day will offer a fayre of stalls and activities, sessions for children and young people, guest speakers and live music. Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright will take place at 15.15, followed by a Barbecue and Ceilidh in the evening. Entry is free with charges for accommodation and camping (self-catered) on Friday and Saturday nights. BBQ tickets will cost £10. All proceeds and any donations will support Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. Please support this vital work. To book email Nicole at nsalkeld@ymt.org or Tel. 01207 592244

Your offerings are our sole source of income

Although we do not take a collection at Mass by passing round a basket, we do hope you will feel able to make an offering towards the upkeep and running costs of our churches in one of the boxes you will find at the entrances to our churches. Alternatively you may consider making your offering by Standing Order the details of which are below.

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