

The Newsletter of the parishes of



St. Alban at Pelaw



St. Patrick at Felling



Our School

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19th Sunday of the Year
11th August, 2024

The following celebrations will take place during the days ahead.

Saturday: (10th Aug) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (11th Aug) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Special Intention (BH)

Tuesday: (13th Aug) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: May Rogan

Wednesday: (14th Aug) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: Parishioners Intentions

Thursday: (15th Aug) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Ted Clarke

Saturday: (17th Aug) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church:

Billy, Eileen, Bernadette & Liam Brannigan

Sunday: (18th Aug) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

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.

The Feast of the Assumption

Thursday, 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption. It is a Holyday on which we are all encouraged to come together to celebrate this great Feast of the Church. A Vigil Mass will be celebrated in St. Alban's Church on Wednesday at 18.00 and Mass on Thursday morning will be in St. Patrick's Church at 10.00 .

Please keep in your prayers:

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

Prayer for our Country

Almighty God, Ruler of all the peoples of the earth, forgive our shortcomings as a nation, purify our hearts to see and love the truth, give wisdom to our leaders, and steadfastness to our people, and bring us at last to that city of peace whose foundations are mercy, justice, and goodwill, of which you are the designer and builder; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Our new Parish Priest

Most of you will now be aware that Bishop Stephen has appointed Canon Martin Stempczyk as the new parish priest of St. Alban's, Pelaw and St. Patrick's, Felling. He will reside in St. Patrick's Presbytery and will move to Felling towards the end of the week beginning Monday, 2nd September. Fr. Patterson will be leaving us on Tuesday, 3rd September to take advantage of his retirement in the Sacred Heart Presbytery, North Gosforth. Please keep them and one another in prayer in the weeks ahead so that we may continue to be guided by the Spirit of the Living Lord.

Mission Appeal

Thanks to those who felt able to support the Retiring collection last weekend for the missionary work of the Comboni Fathers. Donations to the value of £360.05 were received. (St. Alban's £177.75 and St. Patrick's £182.30)

Churches together in England call for an end to racism, division and disorder

Their statement may be found [here](#) and a statement from Caritas Social Action may be found [here](#)
Apologies to those who do not have internet access.

Family Night success

Thanks to those who were able to support the recent Family Night held in St. Patrick's parish centre which raised £225.00 towards the cost of replacing the centre cooker.

Help with tea and coffee

We would value some more help with making teas and coffees after Sunday Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre. Please let whoever is making the refreshments this weekend know if you would like to help and be added to the next rota. Alternatively email the parish office felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org

Joe's Place

Joe's Place is a project supported by the parishes of the John Ingram Partnership. It supports some of the many vulnerable people in the local area. It was founded in 2014 and takes place every Wednesday in the Parish Hall of St Joseph's, Gateshead. Guests are served freshly prepared hot or cold food at their tables. Food is prepared in the kitchen using donated tinned and dried foods, together with fresh and frozen food purchased using donations from local schools, businesses, parishes and individuals. During the past five years the parishes in the Partnership have made financial contributions to the project, according to their means, to help cover the cost of renting St. Joseph's Hall and the cost of utilities. This year the proceeds of the Charity Box in St. Alban's Church will go to Joe's Place and a box at the front of St. Patrick's Church marked "Joe's Place" is available for donations.

So far this year, your donations have raised £707.03. (St. Alban's £369.38 through the Charity box and St. Patrick's £367.65 through the special donation box at the front of the Church). Thank you for your generosity.

A Liturgy Day for Readers

This is an opportunity for those who proclaim the Scriptures at Mass to look at the background of why we are going to be using a new translation of the Scriptures at Mass. It will take place on Friday, 15th November, 2024 at St. Aloysius, Hebburn from 10.30 - 15.30. If you would like to attend, please contact the parish office at felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk. Other dates and locations may be found here [Liturgy & Prayer - Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle \(diocesehn.org.uk\)](#) (Please note the booking fee of £15 per person will be paid for by the Parish).

The Diocesan Justice and Peace Refugee Project.....

.....which supports people who are seeking asylum in our area, continue to appeal for donations of sugar, biscuits, tinned fish in oil, tins of tomatoes, chick peas, white rice (not microwaveable), long life milk, sugar, tomato puree, breakfast cereals, table salt, cooking oil, shampoo, shower gel and unopened toiletries. If you feel able to support this project, donations may be left on the tables at the entrance to our churches and at our school during term time.

Update your Contacts' list for our parishes

Please note that the parish email address has changed to felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk

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.

If you are a tax payer why not consider "Gift Aiding" your offering. At no cost to you, the parish receives 25p for every £1.00 you donate. All you need is to complete a simple Gift Aid form which may be obtained from the parish office at felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk

For St. Alban's: Account name: DHN Pelaw St Alban: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 92010984

For St. Patrick's: Account name: DHN Felling St Patrick: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 52010453

Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocesan policies and procedures at all times. Each of our churches has a Parish Safeguarding Representative indicated on the Safeguarding posters displayed in each church.