

Father Dennis' Retirement - As we all know by now, Fr Dennis will be retiring this summer. A farewell gathering has been arranged for **Monday 15th July**, beginning with Mass at St Mary's (time to be advised) and continuing in St John's School. If you will be coming, please sign the list at the back of the church - if you are able to contribute some food, there is another list where you can say what you can offer. Let's show our appreciation of all Fr Dennis has done for us! Thanks!

The Mission Appeal of Saturday and Sunday 18 and 19 May raised a total of £778.50. Thank you all very much.

Laudato Si - the next meeting will take place on Wednesday 12 June at 6.30pm at St Mary's. All are very welcome.

Bible Alive - June copies of Bible Alive are available now to those on the list. Price £1.50.

Quiz night - the date of the next Social quiz will be **Thursday 13th June. Doors open at 7pm, quiz starts at 7.30pm.**

Bishop's House Address - as From Monday 17th June the new address for Bishop Stephen, Bishop's PA and the Diocesan Chancellor will be: Bishop's House, St Aidan's, Coach Lane, Benton, Newcastle.NE12 8AD. There is no change to the telephone number and email addresses.

Pope Francis recognises 2025 as a year of Jubilee and asks that 2024 be a Year of Prayer leading up to it.

SIGNIFICANCE FESTIVAL WEEKEND - all are welcome to the Emmaus Village for the Significance Festival on **Saturday 29th June** from 10.00am. 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 will take place at 3.15pm, 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.

The Foodbank - a huge thank you for the donations received last week.

The following items are needed this week, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, UHT milk and bags for life. Help with funds for assisting with gas and electricity needs. Anything you can do to help people with food, heating and lighting is a most practical way of showing love and humanity. Funds to help folks with fuel costs are already urgent. Your help is invaluable. No one should be living in a house with no heating or be unable to put a light on, boil a kettle or warm up food.

World Peace - please have a space in your personal prayer for peace in the war zones of the world and for the plight of innocent children and civilians. Thank you.

Please pray for the health of:

*Irene Welford
Mrs Aitken
Joan Lightfoot
Michael Nicholson
Adam Hudspeth
Christopher Browne
Tyler Quinn
Robin Davis
Angela Graham
Frank Ridley
Jacob Thomas
Charlotte Thomas
Teresa Brown
Christina Marsh
Kathy Lloyd
Roman Banks
Jane Hardy (Kirby)
Margaret Pattenden
Mary Curry
Adam Quarmby
Eileen Kelly
John Green
Lynette Stott
Patrick Fogarty*

**Please pray for
LORRAINE BROWN
(72)
who has died.
May she rest in
peace.**



Scripture Readings for this week's Masses:

Sun	Exodus 24: 3-6	Ps 115	Hebrews 9: 11-15	Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26
Mon	1 Kings 17: 1-6	Ps 120	Matthew 5: 1-12	
Tues	Acts 11: 21-26, 13:1-3	Ps 4	Matthew 5: 13-16	
Wed	1 Kings 18: 20-39	Ps 15	Matthew 5: 17-19	
Thurs	1 Kings 18: 41-46	Ps 64	Matthew 5: 20-26	
Fri	1 Kings 19: 9, 11-16	Ps 26	Matthew 5: 27-32	
Sat	1 Kings 19: 19-21	Ps 15	Matthew 5: 33-37	
Sun	Ezekiel 17: 22-24	Ps 91	2 Corinthians 5: 6-10	Mark 4: 26-34

Pope Francis' brilliant document on caring for creation (Laudato Si) is now 8 years old! Not enough has happened over this time so he has written a further document called Laudate Deum (meaning 'Praise God') about the climate crisis. We have some copies at £4.95 at the back of church.

Environmental Survey - our annual environmental survey has come around again. This is the 3rd year for this. If possible we would like to invite as many people as possible to complete it and return it within 4 weeks. Following last years' survey we provided battery recycling boxes which have proved to be popular. As a parish community we are trying to implement small steps which help care for the earth and our local community. Thank you.

HOLY ISLAND SVP VINNIES CAMP - there are places still available for boys and girls in school years 5-7 (inclusive) at Holy Island Children's camp. A week's traditional holiday with meals and transport costs just £150! If you would like your child to have a week's holiday on Holy Island this Summer please visit our site <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island>. If you know of any child who would benefit from this opportunity but may need assistance in paying, please email holyislandapplications@svp.org.uk

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) 2024-2025 - The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The 2024-2025 CCRS course programme is now available on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>. If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

This week

	Services & meetings
Saturday 8 June <i>Immaculate Heart of Jesus</i>	10.00 am Mass: <i>Holy Souls</i> 5.30 pm Vigil Mass: <i>People of the parish</i>
Sunday 9 June <i>10th Sunday of the Year</i>	09.30 am Mass at St Wilfrid's : <i>Peter Maria Chu Sinh</i> 11.00 am Mass at St Mary's : <i>Dave Fleming</i>
Monday 10 June	No Mass 10.00 am Eucharistic Service at <i>St Wilfrid's</i> 1.00 pm Craft Club at <i>St Mary's</i>
Tuesday 11 June <i>St Barnabas</i>	10.00 am Mass: <i>Holy Souls</i>
Wednesday 12 June	9.30 am Mass: <i>Intentions of Cecilia and Lawrence McEvoy</i>
Thursday 13 June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>	10.00 am Mass: <i>Eric Walsh</i>
Friday 14 June	8.15 am Mass in St John's School Chapel 12.30 pm Requiem Mass @ St Mary's for LORRAINE BROWN
Saturday 15 June	10.00 am Mass: <i>People of the parish</i> 5.30 pm Vigil Mass: <i>Bobby Johnson</i>
Sunday 16 June <i>11th Sunday of the Year</i>	09.30 am Mass at St Wilfrid's : <i>Private Intention</i> 11.00 am Family Mass at St Mary's : <i>Tony Murphy's Intentions</i>

Quotation

"We will fail when we fail to try"
- Rosa Parks

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To access streamed Masses: St Mary's Bishop Auckland YouTube **9 June, 2024**

10th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

MEMORIES

Memory is one of the most powerful functions of the human mind. It is also one of life's most determining ones. What goes on in memory has a great deal to do with what goes on in us all our lives. Memory is a wild horse, unbridled, riderless, maverick. It takes us often where we would not go, or takes us back over and over again to where we cannot stay, however much we wish we could. So, it leaves us always in one state or the other, one place or the other, leaves us either pining or confused, leaves us in either case in a world unfinished in us.

It is the unfinishedness that is the price we pay for growing always older.

The young hear memory in the voice of their elders and, delighted by these voices from the past or bored by them, too often miss the content behind the content. Memory is not about what went on in the past. It is about what is going on inside of us right this moment. It is never idle. It never lets us alone. It is made up of the stuff of life in the process of becoming the grist of the soul.

- Joan Chittister

Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and the Diocese's policies and procedures at all times.

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Jeannie Hardy for St Mary's and Fiona Ottewell for St Wilfrid's or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk

Confession Times

St Mary's

**Saturdays at
10.45-11.30
and by request.**

St Wilfrid's

**before
Sunday
Mass**