The Newsletter of the parishes of



St. Alban at Pelaw



St. Patrick at Felling



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Mass Intentions

Fr. Patterson is very grateful for the generous Mass Offerings you are handing in. As he is currently only able to celebrate four Masses each week, one of which must be for "the Parishioners Intentions," he is somewhat behind in celebrating some of your Mass requests. He tries to give priority to Anniversaries, but it is not always possible. So please be patient and understanding.

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 drop a line to the parish office felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org

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.

5th Sunday of Easter 28th April, 2024

The following celebrations will take place during the days ahead.

Saturday: (27th Apr) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (28th Apr) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Betty Wasp

Tuesday: (30th Apr) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Breda Kinnane

Thursday: (2nd May) 10.00 Funeral Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Jim Farrell

Saturday: (4th May) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: Susan Gilmore

Sunday: (5th May) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday: (7th May) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre: Brian Grace Snr and Brian Grace Jnr

Mass to view on line

Mass is live streamed from the Holy Name, Jesmond.

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
- all those whose memories we cherish at this time especially Brian and Susan Gilmore and Brian Grace Jnr.
- and Jim Farrell and Mary Millward (mother of Fr. Mark Millward) who have died. May they rest in the peace of the Risen Lord

A Prayer for the troubled world

Prince of peace, in a world of conflict and violence we pray that the peace you came to bring may become a reality in the world of our own time. Amen.

Collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor

St Joseph's Home in Newcastle urgently need to replace some of the kitchenettes and furnishings. Specialist flooring on the main corridors of the care units requires essential upgrades to ensure the safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents and to maintain required standards of infection control. If you wish to make a donation to their appeal please place it in an envelope marked "Little Sisters" and place it one of the collection boxes at our church doors. If you have a box of envelopes you should find an envelope in your box. Should you wish to make a private contribution, you can do so by sending cheques made payable to 'Little Sisters of the Poor' to St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7QA. Alternatively, secure online donations can be made by visiting their website at www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/.

School News from Mrs Robinson

We will soon have a beautiful new school cross hanging in our hall. The children worked with a local artist and used a selection of red and gold mosaic pieces to show the pattern on our St Cuthbert's Cross. Fr Patterson will be coming into school next week to bless it, so please keep an eye on our website, Facebook page and Instagram to have a look at the photos. Please feel free to share and comment on these posts too.

Don't forget, if any of you would like to come into school during May to pray the Rosary with the children, please email me <u>info@stap.bwcet.com</u> to make arrangements. The children would be delighted to pray with you.

Please spread the word to all families with young children that we have a few places left in our lovely nursery for children who are 3 or 4 years old. Arrange a visit by contacting the school office on 0191 4693251 and find out why we are the best school in Pelaw!

Pray for Victims and Survivors of Abuse

Tuesday, 30th April, has been nominated by the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales as the National Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse. Bishop Stephen will celebrate Mass at St Mary's Cathedral at 12.05. All are welcome.

Sung Evening Prayer at Ushaw

Next Sunday, 5th May at 16.00, you are invited to sung Evening Prayer of the Church in St. Cuthbert's Chapel at Ushaw. Please note that this is not a concert performance, but an opportunity to pray together the Evening Prayer of the Church for the Sixth Sunday of Easter. As the format of this service may be new to some people, we will also be offering some reflections on praying Vespers as a group. All are welcome to join us for the service. No ticket is required.

Are you new to our Parishes?

If you have recently moved into Bill Quay, Felling, Pelaw, Heworth, Windy Nook and the surrounding area you are more than welcome to come along to worship with us in either St. Alban's Church, Queen Victoria Street, Pelaw or St. Patrick's Church on the High Street in Felling. Mass times are Saturday evening at 18.00 in St. Alban's and 10.00 on a Sunday in St. Patrick's. You may like to visit our website by clicking here

If you would like to offer your talents to the parish - and we all have God given talents - then please approach Fr. Patterson or any of our welcomers and provide us with your details. You would also be most welcome to join us for refreshments after Sunday Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre which is located directly underneath the Church. We look forward to seeing you.

Gift Aid Scheme

Are you aware that if you are a UK tax payer and make an offering to our church collection you could join the Gift Aid Scheme enabling our parishes to gain an extra 25% of your offering, at no extra cost to you. If you feel you could be a part of the Gift Aid Scheme, please email the Parish Gift Aid Organiser at felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk for further details or have a word with Fr. Patterson.

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.

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

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