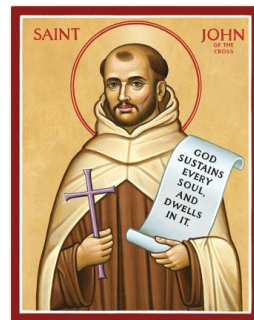




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Parish Newsletter
9th—16th December 2018



On behalf of the family of the late Audrey Taylor, I would like to thank most sincerely Father David for his words of support and comfort, Mary the organist for leading the uplifting singing and all friends for Mass offerings, messages of sympathy and charity donations of £140.00. God bless you all. Maureen Heal.

A parishioner writes

“Many thanks for the prayers and support of the parish in recent months while I underwent treatment for cancer. I am pleased to say the treatment has been successful. Deo Gratias.”



Welcome:

Sebastian William Ronan Aynsley who was baptised yesterday. May he always walk as a child of the light.

Youth Sunday Christmas food bank

You will remember that on the feast of Christ the King, the young people of our parish appealed to you to bring in donations of food to donate to the Wallsend Walking With project. Thank you to those who have donated so far. Please donate if you can to help those less well off than ourselves this Christmas. Thank you.



An Advent Concert

Advent concert with the Ravenswood Singers Saturday 15th December at 7.00 pm St. Aidan’s Church, Wallsend. Tickets £6.00 including a complimentary glass of wine. Please contact Andrea



Please pray for all the sick of our Parish including:

- Fr. Pat McKenna; Pat Alcock; Rona Bojke; Eddie Aspreno; Merle Hall; Joyce Burns; Peter Mulholland; Beryl Boulton; Ann Green; Bill Baxter; Marie Ratki; Christopher Brown; Ruby Durkin; Janice O’Brien; Caleb Anthony Barns; Mary McAlinden; Mandy Setford; Suzanne Luck; Terence Darmody; Mary Stephenson., Agnes Clementson.

Christmas Fayre

Well the Christmas Fayre is over for another year and we would like to thank you all for your support, the sense of community on the day was overwhelming. The total raised was **£3001.62**. We would like to give a special thanks to all the people who turn up each year to run the stalls and to give our undying gratitude to the few who turned out during the week to help sort and box up the mountains of gratefully accepted donations.

The list of raffle winners is on the notice board at the back of church and can be collected from either Jill or Anne. The winning ticket for the Newcastle United football shirt was 134 Karen McCabe. Once again we would like to



Week Beginning – Sun 9th December 2018– 2nd Sunday of Advent

Saturday 8th December	Saturday No Mass		
Sunday 9th December Welcome Team Reader Offertory Procession Eucharistic Ministers	9.00 Elizabeth & Joseph Boyd Sales Family Brenda Leighton Moira Dear Marian Huscroft Jill Shiels Michael Ronan Lynn O'Sullivan Pat McKeown		
Monday 10th December	No Mass on Mondays. We have a prayer group which meets from 1.30 to 2.15 p.m. Call Veronica Whitty on 0191 2630920 for details		
Tuesday 11th December	7-00pm Mass James Cox & Margaret Bevins—RIP		
Wednesday 12th December	10.00 am Mass Service of the Word and Communion		
Thursday 13th December St. Lucy	10.00 am Mass Isabel McCulloch		
Friday 14th December St John of the Cross	10 00 am Service of the Word and Communion		
Saturday 15th December	Saturday No Mass		
Sunday 16th December 3rd Sunday of Advent Welcome Team Reader Offertory Procession Eucharistic Ministers	9.00 Deceased members of Ronan & Ravenhill families Kosepinar Family Barbara Gardiner Margaret & David Dodds Teresa Keys Mark Scorfield Diane McCann Bernard Shanley Maureen Finlay		
	Sunday 9th December	Sunday 16th December	Sunday 23rd December
COUNTERS	Tony & Maureen Cuggy Alec & Pat Hedley	Anne Proud Bonny Allen	Ali Lawson Teresa Keys Marion Batey
SACRISTY CLEANERS			Jim & Maureen Hall
PIETY STALL Sunday	Joan Coates	Jill Shiels	Anne Scorfield
WASHING ALTAR LINEN	Maureen Hall	Maureen Ronan	Margaret Dodds
LITURGY	Jill & Anne	Kerry & Paul	
MINI BUS DRIVER	Stephen Butler	Brian Hibbert	Tony McAndrew
COFFEE MORNING	Anne & Betty	Maureen & Michael	



Thank You

... for your continued support of our Parish. Last week's Collection was £491.30 of which

£243.50 was Gift Aided.
Hall roof fund £53.00
Lourdes youth £343.10

Kenya Knitting Project A big thank you to all who are knitting for our Kenya baby project and to those who are helping to sort and pack for the delivery we will be sending to Muhoroni very soon. If you do not knit and you would like to help, there is a box at the back of church where you can donate wool. The double-knit variety is best. Once again thank you all very much for supporting our brothers and sisters in Muhoroni and Nairobi.



North Tyneside Partnership Advent Programme:

9th December 4.00 pm at St. Aidan's.
16th December 4.00 pm St. Bernadette's.

Penitential Service

St. Mary's Cullercoats Wednesday 19th December at 7.00 pm.

23rd December 4.00 pm St. Columba's

30th December 4.00 pm St. Cuthbert's, North Shields Celebration of the Family.

Jesmond St. Marys Partnership Reconciliation Service A partnership Reconciliation Service will take place at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Church Street, Walker, NE6 3BT on Monday 17th December starting at 7.00 pm. All are welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

Please note there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession at 6.00 pm on Tuesday evenings. This will become the regular time for confessions at Our Lady & St. Columba apart from when Father David is away out of the Parish.

Extra Confessions during Advent

There will be an opportunity to come to Confession during Advent at the following times :-



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 15th of December 10.30 am–11.30 am
Saturday 22nd of December 10.30 am–11.30 am

Apostleship of the Sea Christmas Carols Service

All are invited to an evening of Carols and Prayer for seafarers and people of the sea on Wednesday 12 December 2018 from 7.00pm at St. Bede's Church, 10 Westoe Road, South Shields, NE33 4LZ.

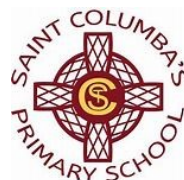


'Walking With' IN NORTH TYNESIDE

Walking With are appealing for the following items please :-

Empty 500 ml plastic bottles with screw tops only (no flip tops).

Chick peas, tomatoes, sweet corn, toilet rolls and shower gel.



Thursday 13th December St. Columba's children's carol service in church at 2.00 pm. All welcome.



Mass with anointing of the sick:

There will be a Mass with anointing of the sick on Saturday 5th January at 10.30 am. Afterwards they are invited to join our regular coffee morning supporters for a tea/coffee and a light lunch in the church hall.



Coffee mornings :

Thanks to all the parishioners and friends who regularly support our weekend coffee mornings. You are invited to tea/coffee and light lunch in the church hall after the mass for the sick on 5th January, 2019. There will be no coffee mornings over the holiday period (December 22/23 and 29/30) but will start again on January 5th/6th.

Two of our helpers (Anne and Betty) are retiring and we would like to thank them for their help and support since the parish coffee mornings began. If you would like to help at the Sunday coffee morning please see Maureen Ronan.

