PARISH NOTICES

<u>Cycle of Prayer: Advent & Christmas:</u> Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

<u>2nd Collection this Sunday:</u> St. Cuthbert's Care Advent Alms.

Ecumenical Wednesday Prayers 8.30-9.30am. 2 week break for Christmas and New year then meet in St Mary Magdalene church at 8.30am.on 8th January 2025. Northern Calendar: Available at the back of church £4.00 Ringbound and Flat £3.50. Please place money in the papers box.

Northern Cross: December edition at back of church. £1.50

Our Parish Youth Group: Mission

To bring together the children, young people and families of our Parish for fun and faith events, forming positive relationships.

Safeguarding

The Diocese is currently carrying out a volunteer census in all parishes. The form that needs to be completed by all volunteers will be at the back of church. It can be completed manually or online via a QR code. If you need assistance Patricia Hodgson is available to help.

Abuse is never a child or a vulnerable adult's fault even if the abuser tells them it is. Any concerns report them to your safeguarding representative.

Advent Alms:

St. Cuthbert's Care would like to thank everyone who contributed to their Lenten Alms. "As we approach Advent, I ask for you continued support in raising funds to help those in our communities who are in greatest need. This year we are focusing our funds on our free meal initiative at the Alan Shearer Activity Centre, which has provided over 1600 hot meals to children and adults living with disabilities... in addition, we have also been able to support community projects by distributing sleeping bags and essentials to those without a safe place to call home... your support will be instrumental in helping us bring these plans to life" Nic Gilbert, Chief Executive, St. Cuthbert's Care.

Reflections for the Season of Advent. Available on the diocesan website. https://bit.ly/DHNAdvent2024. We hope that this year's edition of the Advent Seasonal Reflections, very much inspired by the theme of the forthcoming Year of Jubilee, will deepen our spiritual journey and help us prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.

Jubilee 2025: Pope Francis has announced that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, and the theme is "Pilgrims of Hope". It will be a year of pilgrimage and prayer, celebration and reconciliation and we'll be opening the Jubilee Year in our Diocese with celebrations at our 2 Jubilee Hub Churches on Sunday 29th December. Bishop Stephen will be celebrating Mass and opening the Holy Door at St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle at 11.30am and at St. Joseph's Hartlepool at 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome. There's more information about the Jubilee Year on the Diocesan website at https://www.bit.ly/DHNjubilee2025.

<u>Diocesan changes:</u> Bishop Stephen has now inaugurated changes in our diocesan structure. Our diocese is now divided into five Deaneries, each one led by a Dean. This is to enable our much smaller number of clergy to work better together. In the new year he will be reviewing our Partnerships and how best to develop them. Our parish has now been returned to the northern Deanery that encompasses Northumberland. This does mean that for the moment we will be in the <u>Heavenfield Partnership</u>, covering the Tyne valley. We will, however, also continue to work alongside our previous Partnership of Ovingham.

Northumbria Police ask members of the public to be vigilant during the festive period and take some small steps to protect their homes and cars. Check your cars, houses and outbuildings are locked. Keep Christmas presents out of sight and do not store them in your cars or sheds. Further to this should you notice anything suspicious in your community you should report it as soon as possible. To report crime or suspicious activity, contact Northumbria Police by sending a private message on social media, or by using the live chat function and report forms on the force's website. You can also call 101, or in an emergency dial 999.

Wishing everyone a very happy and holy Christmas time! Enjoy the rest and relaxation. A big thank you to all those who have been preparing for what will be a wonderful celebration. May God bless all our families at this time.

<u>Website Bulletin Posts</u>: Flame; Xmas Initial Diocesan Vision; Food Bank info; Diocesan Marriage Prep. Courses; Active listening; Prayers: Spiritual Communion; Safeguarding contact details. Proud Catholics

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Parish Youth group: Facebook @OLSCPRUDHOE

Safeguarding: Parish Representative - Patricia Hodgson (details on notice board) or Diocesan Safeguarding 0191 2433305.

10.30am Sunday Mass will be broadcast on Teams. Please use the link on the website: https://shorturl.at/otuW3 You may be asked to download a free app.

4th Sunday of Advent Year C.

Mass times and Intentions.

SATURDAY 21st Vigil Mass: 5.00pm. Maureen Rose. SUNDAY 22nd December Mass: 10.30am. People of Parish.

Monday: 10.00am. Mass: Beetham & Garrett families. Tuesday: 10.00am. Mass: Private Intention.

Christmas Day Year 24C.

Tuesday 24th December Children's Nativity 4.30pm Family Mass: 5.00pm. Kenneth Fox. Vigil Mass: 7.00pm. People of the Parish. Wednesday 25th December Morning Mass: 10.30am. Judith Garrett.

Thursday: 10.00am. Mass: Christine & Peter Wallace. Friday: 10.00am. Mass: Dec. Lorriman & Moffatt families.

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph. 24C

SATURDAY 28th December Vigil Mass: 5.00pm. Shona Leonard. SUNDAY 29th December Mass: 10.30am. People of Parish.

Reconciliation: Sat. 4.15pm – 4.45pm. After daily Masses.

Exposition: 1^{st} Sat. of Month, 4.15pm - 4.45pm. Tues: 9.20 - 9.50am.

Weekday Readings: 4th Week of Advent. Liturgy of Hours: Xmas Proper, Week 4.

Feasts: Thurs: St Stephen; Fri: St John, Evangelist; Sat: Holy Innocents.

Sick List: Barry Nevin, Chris Gelson, Kathleen Chamberlain, Tom Wilson, Deacon Martin Bell, Kathleen Murphy, Ann Fox, Keith Watson, Winnie Webster, Vincenza Hogg, Alice Longstaff, Anthony Durkin, Nino Tomczuk, Alan Rutherford, Joyce Redden, Kathie & Arnold Bell, Joan & Stokoe Ridley, Pat Palmer, Debbie Henderson, Pam Woods, Nathanael Foster, Jeff Woods, Anthony Noakes, Peter Burke.



Blessed are you among women.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST CUTHBERT.

Prudhoe.

21st/22nd December 2024

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