

The Church of the Good Shepherd

Forest Road, Ford Estate, Sunderland

A growing, vibrant, & flourishing Anglo-Catholic Mission Community.

A place to belong and call home!











Sunday 24th August

The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mass 9.30am

Holy Baptisms 11.00am & 1.00pm

The readings for this Sunday remind us of God's call and the importance of our response to that call. In our first reading from Isaiah, God promises that people from all nations will come to see his glory. He sends messengers to spread the news and gather people into his family. This shows us that God's invitation is open to everyone, no matter their background.

In our second reading from Hebrews, we are reminded that God's discipline is an act of love. Just as a parent guides a child, God corrects us when we stay off his path. Even though the journey might be hard, we are called to remain steady and keep going.

In our Gospel reading Jesus warns us that not everyone who calls themselves his follower will enter the Kingdom of heaven. The door is narrow, and we must live faithfully, not just in word but in action to enter his kingdom.



Hymn List for the Sunday Mass

THE HYMNS FOR THIS SUNDAY CAN BE FOUND IN THIS BOOKLET

MASS & SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 25th August MASS (S. Ignatius, Hendon) II.I5am

Memorial of S. Louis & S. Joseph Calazanz

Tuesday 26th August MASS 6.00pm

Memorial of Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God

Wednesday 27th August No Mass today.

Memorial of S. Monica

Thursday 28th August MASS 6.00pm

Memorial of S. Augustine

Friday 29th August No Mass today.

Memorial of The Passion of S. John the Baptist

Saturday 30th August No Mass today

Memorial of S. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward

Sunday 31st August

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH MASS 9.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: Father Les Barron



Confessions are heard by appointment with Fr Richard this week.

THE 7-DAY LAMPS

The Good Shepherd Lamp is sponsored this week in loving memory of MARK NEWBY on the anniversary of his death (17th Aug).

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



Parish Office takes place this Saturday from 11am until 12noon.



If you have any notices for the weekly bulletin, please do let Fr Richard know in good time. Thank you!



BINGO CLUB takes place this Saturday at 2.00pm. Doors open from 1.30pm. Everyone welcome!



REBUILD + RENEW + RESTORE



A building fit for Mission

If you would like to donate towards the building works, please speak to the churchwardens or click the QR code.



SAINT CUTHBERT FESTIVAL 2025

Saturday 6th September in Durham Cathedral Solemn Pontifical Mass & Procession 11.00am Principal Celebrant & Preacher: The Bishop of Beverley

There's just over two weeks to go!

Please put your name on the list if you would like to go!



St. James the Great, Darlington
DEDICATION FESTIVAL
NEXT Sunday 31st August 6.00pm
Evensong & Benediction
This also marks Fr Way's retirement from the parish!

Fr Les & Irene Barron will celebrate their 60th Wedding anniversary with a Mass on Saturday 20th Sept at S. Mary's Horden at 12noon

Fr Peter Brown celebrates his Golden Jubilee of priestly ordination on Saturday 20th September at 12noon at S. Ignatius, Hendon.

The interviews for the post of Priest-in-Charge of The Good Shepherd and S. Mary Magdalene's take place on Thursday 4th September.

PLEASE PRAY!

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your constant love and guidance. We ask you to send us a new parish priest, a man after your own heart, who will be a faithful shepherd to your flock. May he be filled with your Holy Spirit, with wisdom to teach, courage to lead, and compassion to care for all your people. May he be a shining example of faith, hope and love, drawing us closer to your Son, Jesus Christ. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of all priests, and in the name of Jesus, our great High Priest. Amen.

The Sick: Gordon Lowson, Cath Neil, Roy, Angela English, David Whickham, Iris, Margaret, Michelle Robson, Yvonne Wynd, Theresa, Rachael Chapman, Joanna, Callum, Luka Giles, David Lawson, Flo Watson, Susan Boktor, Joan Patterson, Oliver Anthony Maw, Dorothy, Lizzie, Baby Rory and Baby Theo, Margaret and any who known to us alone.

The Dead: John Brewer

Anniversary: 24th George Donkin **26**th Robert Dixon, Mary Fleury **27**th Anne Rowell, Sarah Smith, Lily Brown **29**th Mary Wardropper, Thomas, Robert Forster, Stan Pickering, Margaret Pallas **30**th Bill Forbes. Rita Brewer **31**st Diana Windsor

As we move forward in Mission ...

Lord Jesus, you call us to be your missionary disciples. Guide and strengthen everyone in this church community to share your love with everyone we meet. Give us courage to reach out to help others. Give us wisdom to know how best to care and give us hope to believe that we can make a difference. Bless us all who bring God's compassion and mercy to the poor and the marginalised. Together, may we make known your love on earth. Together, may we proclaim the Good News to all in our community. This we ask, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Parish Priest

In Vacancy
For Parish & Church matters,
please contact Viv Murtha (Churchwarden)
0191 528 3568 or 07742 156019

If you require a priest in a pastoral emergency, please contact Viv who will contact a priest.

Father Richard's contact details are:
Father Richard Brown SSC
07539 778244 • fr.richard.brown@gmail.com