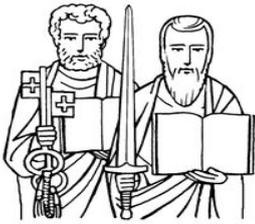
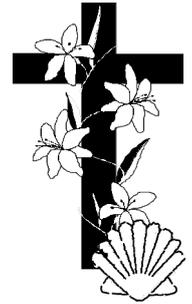


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**27th June to 5th July 2020**

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> Weekday	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Thought for The Feast of St Peter &amp; St Paul</u></b></p> <p>A cat died and arrived at the Pearly gates, he told St Peter about the tough life he'd led, treated so badly by his owner. St Peter assured him he'll be very happy in heaven. The next day 6 mice arrived at the Pearly gates, they give St Peter a similar story about their hard life, and the number of cats who constantly chased them, they were worn out. St Peter informs them they'll be happy in heaven too. They ask for skates so that they wouldn't have to do much running in heaven. Their prayers were answered and skates were provided. A week later St Peter was passing by and found the cat comfortably resting. He asked the cat how things were going. The cat replied, "Oh wonderful, St Peter, and the meals on wheels are delicious!"</p> <p>St Peter, the first Pope, is often portrayed in stories as the keeper of the gates, and St Paul, the fearless preacher, who spent his time spreading the Good News from prison cells in so many Mediterranean Countries. But their stories began in very different circumstances. Peter was a fisherman an ordinary working man. Jesus saw something in him that Peter couldn't see himself, so by the lakeside he said "You are Peter, and on this Rock, I will build my Church." Many mistakes followed culminating in the denial that he knew who Jesus was. Paul, a tent maker by trade, who had risen through the ranks to become a Pharisee, was even worse than Peter, he was a persecutor of Christians, Jesus saw something in Paul that led to his Conversion on the road to Damascus. The persecutor of Christians became the greatest Preacher of the Gospel. Peter and Paul are seen as the Pillars on which the Church is built, yet they began as very unlikely characters. As we celebrate their feast today, we recognise the way the Lord looks into the heart and sees the possibilities in each of us. Let us not judge and condemn, but support each other and seek out the good within, maybe that we will find new followers who can inspire us in the same way St Peter and St Paul do.</p>
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> <b>SS PETER &amp; PAUL, APOSTLES</b>	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> Weekday	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> Weekday	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July Weekday  <b>Funeral service for Veronica Murray</b>  <b>Funeral Service for Liz Allen</b>	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekday	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> <b>St Thomas, Apostle</b>	
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> Weekday	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> <b>14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ST ALOYSIUS CHURCH</b> <b>10am – 12 noon</b>      <b>Open for Private Prayer</b></p>

**Please pray for all our sick especially:** Michael Abbott, Ken Bartley, Teresa Brady, Agnes Campbell, Marion Coyne, Liam Hackett, Dave Hallway, Pat Henderson, Mark Joseph Hepburn, Vera Logan, Jean Lynch, Alan McKee, Mary McKee, Maureen McVay, James Mole, Mary Moore, Fred Patterson, Catherine Pilkington.

**May they rest in peace:** Liz Allen, Veronica Murray

**Anniversaries:** Elizabeth Dibsdale, Mary Harbison, Thomas Llewellyn, Josephine Norman, Bridget Smith, Debbie Thompson, William Tuttle, Clarissa Wilson, Margaret Wilson

**IMPORTANT NEWS FROM FR SIMON** After a risk assessment during the week it was decided that **St Aloysius Church** would be allowed to open for private prayer beginning next **Sunday 5th July** from **10am - 12noon**. There are a few rules attached to opening the Church. The hall and the toilets would have to remain closed. Hand sanitising on entrance and exit. We worked out the total number of 50 in church at one time. It may be quite a while before we are allowed to celebrate Mass or any other service. We will monitor the situation and if necessary we may open more than once a week. I hope this helps, if anyone has any worries please give Fr Simon a call. Sadly St James Church will remain closed for the time being but hopefully in the near future we will be able to open that too for private prayer.

### **LIVE STREAMING**

**ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, NEWCASTLE** [Cathedral's YouTube Channel](#). Each day at 12.00 noon (Sunday at 11.30am) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and devotions live streamed at 5.00pm daily.

**OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH, SUNDERLAND** [YouTube channel](#) and their [Facebook page](#).

**CHESTER LE STREET, ST CUTHBERT AND SACRISTON, ST BEDE** daily Mass on their [Facebook Page](#).

**WHILE CHURCHES ARE CLOSED** and masses are being streamed online, the Diocese of Middlesbrough have set up a system to allow people who do not have internet access to listen to Mass over the telephone. If you would like to access, telephone **01642 130120**.

**DEACON KEVIN ATKINSON** is leading a Family service which is being live streamed on **Sunday 28th June: 4pm till 4.45pm**. You can access it on Facebook – St Bede's Partnership Youth Page There will be songs and prayers from Cody Ketner, Mr Young and Adam from St Joseph's Academy with prayers and dances from families. Gather with them as a family on this day of witnessing to Life.

**FUTURE COPIES OF THE BULLETIN** The bulletin will continue to be published weekly online and on Facebook and as we know some will prefer to receive it direct to your personal email you can let us know if you want your email address included in the mailing list. To receive the newsletter and any other important updates please email: [staloysiusandstjames@gmail.com](mailto:staloysiusandstjames@gmail.com)

**THE DIOCESAN VOCATION TEAM** has produced online resource, a scripture rosary for priestly vocations, which is currently on the Diocesan Website. Please access the link below:

<http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/vocations/pdf/2020/Rosary%20for%20Vocations.pdf>

### **Solidarity prayer for a pandemic**

*As we start to make tentative steps towards a 'new normal', we ask God to give us strength to overcome the difficulties we currently face.*

May we who are merely inconvenienced, remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors, remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home, remember those who must choose between preserving their health or paying their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips, remember those who have no place to go.

May we who are losing our profits in the tumult of the economic market, remember those who make no profit at all.

May we who have settled in for quarantine at home, remember those who have no home.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours. Amen.