

### **Youth Sunday**

Next weekend we celebrate Youth Sunday. Bishop Seamus and the Youth Ministry Trust wish to thank you for your generous contributions to last year's collection and for all you have throughout the year to support our young people on their faith journey. There will be a retiring collection next week to support the work of YM. Envelopes are available if you would like the opportunity to gift aid your donation.

### **Baptism Preparation**

The next Baptism Preparation Meeting takes place at St Robert's Church on Thursday 23rd November at 7.30 pm. Any parent wanting a child to be baptised is asked to speak to Fr Peter to make arrangements to attend the meeting.

### **Christmas Fayre**

St Bede's Christmas Fayre is to be held on Saturday 25th November from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm in the Hall. There is an appeal for donations for raffle prizes, for bottles for the bottle stall and also nearer the date for cakes for the cake stall. There is a box in the porch for donations. If you can help with any new gifts that can be used on the various stalls it would be greatly appreciated.

### **Traidcraft**

A catalogue is available in the Narthex for orders of Christmas cards and gifts.

### **Mass for the Sick and Housebound**

We are having a Mass for Sick and Housebound parishioners on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 1.00pm. Last year the attendance of parishioners was disappointing, even though we have a number of sick and housebound parishioners. If anyone knows a sick or housebound parishioner who wishes to attend, is there any way we can make sure they are here for the Mass. It is difficult to officially ask parishioners to give a lift to someone, but if a parishioners were to organise some means of transport to help out, it would be appreciated. Those who visit the sick are asked to encourage them to attend. After Mass, refreshments will be available in the Hall. The Mass is open to all who are sick and to all who do not normally manage to get to Mass. Let's try to make this one good way of reaching out to some of our parishioners. A list, if attending, is on the notice-board.

### **Torchlight Procession 8th December**

The Annual Torchlight Procession In Honour of our Blessed Lady Immaculate will be held at St. Mary's, Hexham on Friday 8th December 2017 at 7.00 pm, to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Meet at the bandstand in the park adjacent to Hexham Abbey, which will be decorated with festive lights to pray the Rosary and sing hymns in honour of Our Lady, followed by a Procession with candles to St. Mary's for a homily and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A collection will be taken in aid of the Diocesan Hospitalité of Our Lady of Lourdes. A coach will be arranged, please sign list if interested.

**Tea and Coffee** will be served after vigil Mass tonight in the Parish Hall. A cheque has been sent to Air Ambulance. Our next beneficiary, for the next few weeks, from the proceeds of our Saturday evening refreshments will be the Diocesan Hospitalité of Our Lady of Lourdes.

### **World Gifts Catalogue**

Are you struggling what to buy your best friend for Christmas? Does your dad want more socks that he doesn't need? Does your mum want more chocolates that she probably doesn't really want? We have received a number of World Gifts Catalogues from CAFOD. This gives you the opportunity to give a World Gift in the name of a family member or friend, while at the same time providing something that is much needed in more struggling parts of the world.

For example you could gift, "a goat that gives", for £28; a solar lamp for £32; water for a family for £32; or chirpy chicken for £20. These are just

some of the gifts that you can choose from. Please take a catalogue and think about what you can do to help someone else this year.

### **The Pope John Paul II Award Scheme**

The Pope John Paul II Award Scheme is being launched once again for the current Academic Year. If there are any young Catholics in High School who may be interested in taking part in this Award Scheme, please contact Fr Peter or Joe Gallagher, our Parish Coordinator for the award.

### **The Source**

Wednesday 6th December, 7.00 to 8.30 pm at St Mary's Cathedral for Year 9 and above. Parishes, Partnerships and schools are encouraged to bring young people to this special Advent Source with the theme "*I'm Coming Back Again*". Music by 'Writing in Kings' and time to reflect and pray. Hot chocolate in the Courtyard from 6.30 pm.

### **Rosary Service and Blessing of the Graves at Bedlington Cemetery**

Deacon Stephen will lead the Rosary Service and bless the graves of our dear departed loved ones, on Thursday 23rd November, at 10.45. Please make a special effort to attend, as it will be our final opportunity during the month of the holy souls, to gather as a community at the cemetery and ask Our Lady to intercede for us.

<b>Mass and Service Times and Intentions</b>			
<b>Saturday 18th November</b>	5.30 pm vigil Mass	Bridget & Jim Kiernan	<b>33rd Sunday of the Year</b>
<b>Monday 20th November</b>	10.00 am Mass	Owen McDonnell & Katie Kerrigan	Weekday
<b>Tuesday 21st November</b>	10.00 am	<i>Word and Communion Service</i>	Presentation of the Blessed virgin Mary
<b>Wednesday 22nd November</b>	10.00 am Mass	Ruddy & McDonnell families	St Cecilia
<b>Thursday 23rd November</b>	10.00 am	<i>Word and Communion Service</i>	Weekday
<b>Friday 24th November</b>	10.00 am Mass	Warren Mousely	Martyrs of Vietnam
<b>Saturday 25th November</b>	5.30 pm Vigil Mass	Lily & Ken Mullen	<b>Jesus Christ the King</b>

Years 3 and 4 from St Bede's Primary School will join us for Mass on Friday morning.

#### **Devotions this Week**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 9.20 - 9.50 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.15 pm

**The Rosary:** Saturday 5.00 pm

#### ***Please pray for:***

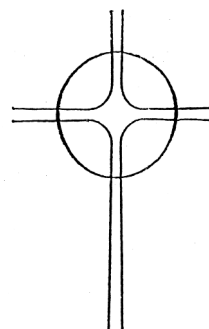
- all who are sick,
- all who have died.
- all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

#### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for November 2017**

Evangelisation: To witness to the Gospel in Asia

That Christians in Asia, hearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

**Offertory:** Thanks for offertories: £246.50



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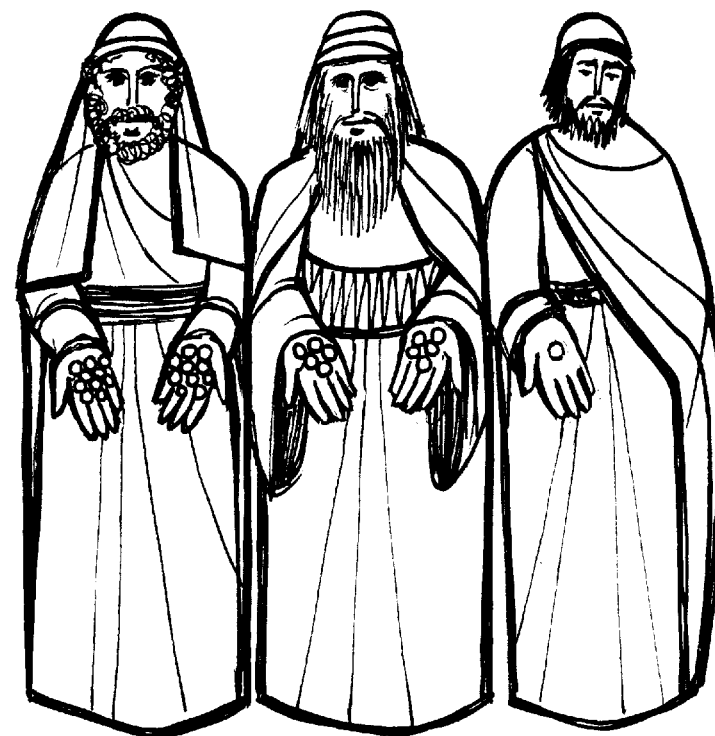
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**33rd Ordinary Sunday of the Year  
19th November 2017**