

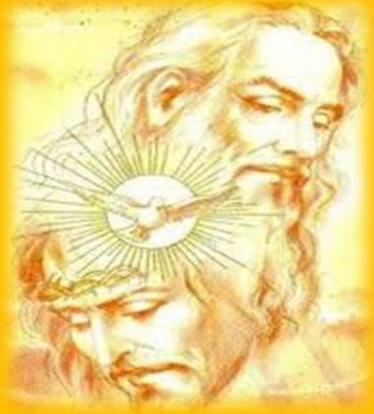
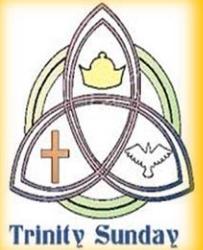
SUNDAY 7th JUNE 2020: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Year 'A' Cycle
Ss. ANTHONY OF PADUA & FRANCIS PARISH, WALKER, NEWCASTLE

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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(Parish Office is currently CLOSED due to Government Guidelines.)
You can contact the Parish Secretary on 07546 302832
During the normal opening times of
Wednesday & Thursday 9am-2pm, Friday 9am-3pm.)

R.V.I. & FREEMAN HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN:
CONTACT FR. MARIADASS 0191 2733903



IMPORTANT MESSAGE CONCERNING REOPENING OF CHURCHES

Bishop Robert has been in touch with all Parish Priests of our Diocese this week To bring them up to date with what the National Bishop's Conference have decided, regarding how our Churches will re-open.

Bishop Robert has therefore met with his Episcopal Council to decide when and how Churches will re-open in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. There will be a gradual re-opening of Churches for private prayer, beginning with five Churches only.

The nearest Church to us will be St. Mary's Cathedral in Newcastle City Centre.
The other four Churches will be St. Aidan's Ashington, St. Patrick's Consett, St. Mary's Sunderland City Centre and St. Joseph's Hartlepool.

These Churches will open only after a strict risk-assessment has been carried out and a deep clean has taken place. After a short trial where volunteers in those Parishes will ensure social distancing is observed, more Parishes will gradually re-open for private prayer only.

All of this will take place subject to the number of Covid 19 infections continuing to decrease. We can then concentrate on working towards re-opening for public worship and the celebration of Mass.

As soon as we have a date and times of when St. Mary's Cathedral will be open, that information will be on our newsletter and website.

THANK YOU, FR. DAVID

Note that Fr. David will continue celebrating daily Mass without Faithful present during the week. All who have a Sunday Mass intention in the Diary be assured that these will be offered in normal way. Sunday 7th June, is for: "PRIESTS INTENTIONS." See Page 3 for details of the ROSARY Monday 8th June. Also Mass Friday 12th June is for FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (which is on 13th)

WAYS TO KEEP IN TOUCH:

1. TO CONTACT FR. DAVID DIRECTLY please call 0191 2623882

2. ALSO - you can email or call the Parish Secretary (working from home due to Gov. guidelines) at any time during office hours on **07546302832**. Your query will be dealt with as soon as possible. If it is out of office hours you can email her on: **c.dixon@anthonycareservices.org.uk** this will be picked up very quickly.

3. WEBSITE ADDRESS: Check out our Website which is being updated regularly by Simon:

For our very 'up to date' information please refer to: Parish Website: **stanthonystfrancis.org**.

St. Anthony's & St. Columba's have their very own 'YOU TUBE' CHANNEL.

You can access the Channel by going to our Parish Website and, directly under the photo of our Church, there is a link which takes you to our 'You Tube Channel.' Here you will find recorded Masses and other Services.

4. ELECTRONIC COPY OF NEWSLETTER: If you'd like to receive our weekly Newsletter via email then contact us at **Newcastle.stanthony@rcdhn.org.uk** and we'll add you to our mailing list.

FINANCIAL WAYS TO SUPPORT PARISH DURING CRISIS:

Thank you everyone who have been able to set up Direct Debits or Standing Orders, or who have dropped their envelopes through the Presbytery door whilst out on their daily walks. For those who are unable to do this, we realise that the 'planned giving' envelopes for the Financial Year 2019-2020 will have been used up by now. The new envelopes for 2020/2021 will be available once our Churches re-open. Could Parishioners, in the meantime – those who can - please use ordinary envelopes marking them with their NAME, ADDRESS AND AMOUNT and bring them to Church, once we do re-open.

Thank you all so much for your support in these difficult times. Fr. David.



1. Keep your Weekly Offering or Gift Aid donations in your envelopes at home please, until this crisis is ended. Please be assured that because we are in unprecedented times, all measures will be taken to sort these envelopes out once the restrictions are lifted (SEE MESSAGE ABOVE.)

2. To set up a regular **STANDING ORDER** or make a one off donation. Please print off the 'Standing Order Mandate Form' which can be found on our Website and pass on to your own Bank.

3. If you have personal **ONLINE BANKING** you will be able to set this up yourself, you will need the following information. (Please also be assured that all bank payments are accounted for in our Parish Audit Trails.)

Account Name: "DHN Newcastle Ss Anthony of Padua & Francis A Registered Charity"

Bank: HSBC (Sort Code: 40.34.45) and Account No. 61165089

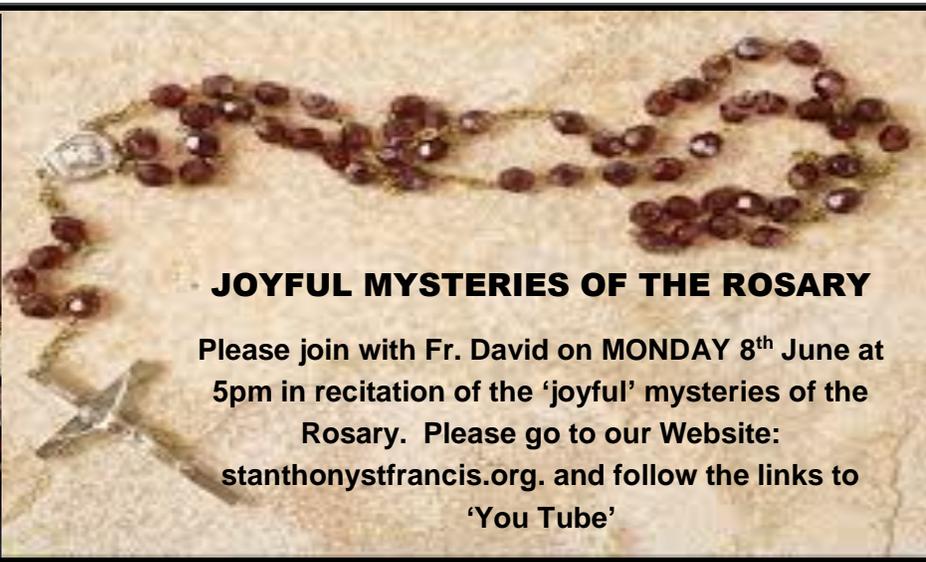
4. 'GIFT AIDING' for the first time and are a UK Taxpayer, you will need to download the 'Gift Aid Form' which can be found on our Website. Please complete and send it back to the Parish Office. Once everything is back to normal and because this is a legal document required by HMRC, the Office is required to forward it the Diocese. ***Please be assured that in completing this form means that the Parish will receive a small percentage back from HMRC and it will NOT affect your own personal tax in any way.***

Please pray for all our sick:

Rhoda Robertson, John Gourley, Mary Garrity, Doreen Graham, June Stephenson, Margaret O'Brien, Dorothy Milor, Elaine Clayton, Rosemary McIlvenna, Phil Gosling, Monica McKinnon, Martin Finchen, Allison Maghie, Gail McDonnell (a teacher from St. Alban's School)
Children: Joseph Relph, Josh Graham, James Taylor, Theo James Abbott

FOR: NHS STAFF, ST ANTHONY'S CARE STAFF & BOSTE STAFF, who are heroically going about their daily care roles in this crisis.
ALL FRONTLINE STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS
& not forgetting OUR PRIESTS AND BISHOP who minister to our sick and dying.





JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

Please join with Fr. David on **MONDAY 8th June** at 5pm in recitation of the 'joyful' mysteries of the Rosary. Please go to our Website: stanthonystfrancis.org. and follow the links to 'You Tube'

Diocesan Spiritual Support

These resources have been created to support you and your loved ones in this unprecedented time of the COVID-19 pandemic. We offer these prayers in solidarity and we want you know know that the Church community is praying with you and you are not alone.

'**Resources for times of grieving and death**' includes; Prayers for loved ones we cannot visit in hospital, Prayers for someone who has recently died and Prayers for a loved one whose funeral you cannot attend.

'**Prayers for the sick and dying**' contains a collection of Catholic prayers to comfort you and your loved ones during difficult times of sickness and death.

Mgr. Andrew Faley, Vicariate for Faith & Mission

(email: evfaithandmission@diocesehn.org.uk)



Pope at Pentecost: Holy Spirit unites Christians as God's children in self-giving

On the Solemnity of Pentecost, Pope Francis urges Christians to ask the Holy Spirit to free them from the paralysis of selfishness and make a gift of themselves by serving and doing good.

Pope Francis celebrated the Solemnity of Pentecost with a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, with a limited number of the faithful in attendance, as health protocols of the Covid-19 pandemic are still in place in Italy and the Vatican. During the May 31 Mass, he urged the Holy Spirit to make Christians builders of unity. "Grant us the courage to go out of ourselves, to love and help each other, in order to become one family," he prayed. Pentecost, which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Virgin Mary and the Apostles in Jerusalem, as narrated in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1-22), is regarded as the birth of the Church

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Parish Day Trips: Due to current Restrictions for Covid 19: The Holy Island trip 9th July – Is postponed until further notice



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Unity in diversity

Pope Francis delivered a homily pointing out that despite the diversity of backgrounds and ethnicities among Christ's followers in the early Church, the Holy Spirit brings about unity by making them realize that they are primarily the children of God. Saint Paul in his First Letter to the Corinthians attests to this fact when he says, "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit." Coming to our times, Pope Francis said that we too have our differences, such as opinions, choices, sensibilities. But the temptation to fiercely defend our ideas as good for everybody, the Pope warned, is "a faith created in our own image", "not what the Spirit wants".

Unity as God's beloved children

Much more than our beliefs and our morality, the Pope said, the Spirit unites us as "God's beloved children," and "that we have one Lord – Jesus – and one Father, and that for this reason we are brothers and sisters!" The Spirit loves us and knows everyone's place in the grand scheme of things, the Pope said. "We are not bits of confetti blown about by the wind, rather we are irreplaceable fragments in His mosaic."

Gift of self and proclamation

Taking a closer look at the day of Pentecost, Pope Francis said that the first task of the Church is proclamation. The Spirit does not want the Apostles to be locked in upper rooms where it is easy to "nest". Rather, He "opens doors and pushes us to press beyond what has already been said and done, beyond the precincts of a timid and wary faith."

After Pentecost, one thing that kept the Apostles going, the Pope said, was "the desire to give what they received". In the Church, the Pope said, the Spirit guarantees unity to those who proclaim the message.

The "secret of unity" of the Holy Spirit, the Pope pointed out, is a gift, as He Himself is gift. Hence, it is important to believe that "God is gift", that He acts not by taking away, but by giving.

If we realize that what we are is due to His free and unmerited gift, then "we too will want to make our lives a gift". "By loving humbly, serving freely and joyfully, we will offer to the world the true image of God."

Three enemies of self-giving

However, in this gift of self, the Pope noted there are three enemies: narcissism, victimhood and pessimism.

Narcissism, the Pope said, makes us concerned only with how we can profit from it. In this time of the pandemic, the Pope lamented the tendency to think only of our own needs, to be indifferent to those of others.

Victimhood, he said, is equally dangerous. Victims complain every day about their neighbours – that no one understands them, no one experiences what they experience and everyone is against them. In the present crisis, he noted, we are experiencing how ugly victimhood is.

Pessimism is an unending complaint that "nothing is going well in society, politics, the Church...". A pessimist gets angry with the world, but sits back and does nothing. In the current crisis, the Pope said it is damaging to "see everything in the worst light and to keep saying that nothing will return as before".

Famine of hope

"When someone thinks this way," the Pope observed, "the one thing that certainly does not return is hope."

"We are experiencing a famine of hope," he said, "and we need to appreciate the gift of life, the gift that each of us is." "We need the Holy Spirit, the gift of God who heals us of narcissism, victimhood and pessimism."

THERE IS A FULL TRANSCRIPT OF POPE'S TALK WITH NEWSLETTER.

PARTNERSHIP NEWS

Reflections on the Daily Readings

The Chairperson of our Partnership has asked to pass on a link from our Diocesan website which looks at reflections on the daily readings. The weekly reflections for this week are on the home page, about half way down under the title 'Vicariate for Faith & Mission'.



A Prayer for Protection in a time of Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O Loving Mother, you know what we need, and what we are confident you will provide for us at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus. The Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the Will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrow so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and Blessed Virgin.



Funerals:

COULD WE ALL
REMEMBER IN OUR
PRAYERS, PLEASE,
THOSE PEOPLE WHO
HAVE DIED LATELY AND
WHOSE FUNERALS ARE
THIS COMING WEEK:

Alice Simpson
Bernard Geeling
Kathleen Proud

Rest in Peace

Little Sisters of the Poor Home, Newcastle

The Little Sisters of the Poor have launched a vital fundraising appeal, in response to the increasing pressures faced by St. Joseph's Care Home during the current COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic.

Email: Fr. Adrian Tuckwell (email: evcaritas@diocesehn.org.uk).



(Copy and Paste links into your Browsers)

Access our very own 'YOU TUBE' Channel for Mass and other Services:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-KkK3E9xbPn2t6s0Zrt-mQ>

Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle:

<http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/index.php>

St. Mary's Cathedral 'YOU TUBE' Channel, Mass 12.00noon daily and 11.30am on Sunday:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Eqq-cFTh5i2y_EQw

Mass and Services streamed through the day from Churches in the UK and Ireland

<https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable/>

Daily Readings & Prayers for Mass:

<https://universalis.com>

Vatican News Services:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

English Mass from various places throughout day:

<https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online>

You can find a range of Liturgical & Prayer Resources here:

[Isolated but not alone: resources for Catholics](#)

TAGNEY TOURS HAVE ASKED FR. DAVID IF HE WILL RUN A COACH TO LOURDES & LISIEUX NEXT YEAR, 2021

He has agreed to do this. Therefore, anyone booked for this year is welcome to leave their current booking in place with their deposit, which will be transferred to 2021. As this will come around very quickly. If you do wish to cancel, however, for the 2020 scheduled trip then please feel free to do so.



19th June 2020 A diocesan Day of Scripture



A Diocesan Day of Scripture:

Join us on Friday 19 June 2020 for a diocesan Day of Scripture, as part of our 2020 Year of the Word celebrations. The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have declared 2020 to be a year of special focus on the Bible. This marks the tenth anniversary of Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation, Verbum Domini, (The Word of the Lord) and the 1600 years since the death of Saint Jerome – who translated the Bible into Latin. Join us from 10.00am on Friday 19 June 2020 where our diocesan Scripture Champion, Canon Jackson will lead us in prayer. More information about how to follow this will appear next weekend.



The Eucharist, Our Sanctification

Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa

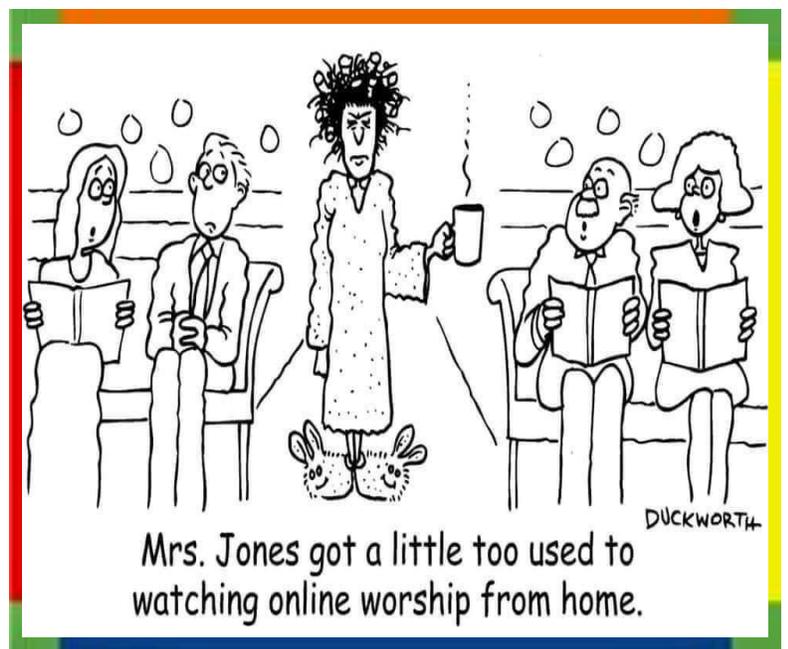
"We must start practising what we have said as soon as we come out from Mass. We must really make the effort, each one within his or her own limits, to offer our "bodies" to our brethren and that is to say, our time, energy and attention—in a word, our lives.

When Jesus had pronounced the words: "Take... this is my body; take... this is my blood," He didn't allow much time to pass before doing what He had promised: a few hours later He gave His life and blood on the Cross. Otherwise, it's all just empty words, lies.

Therefore, after saying to our brothers and sisters: "Take, eat," we must really allow ourselves to be "eaten" and especially by those who do not act with the gentleness and kindness we expect. Jesus said:

"What merit have you got if you love only those that love you, greet only those that greet you, invite only those that invite you? Everyone does this" (cf. Matt 5:46-47)."

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FIVE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYERS, WHEN YOU CANNOT ATTEND MASS.



Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O let nothing ever separate you from me. Let me live and die in Your love. Amen.

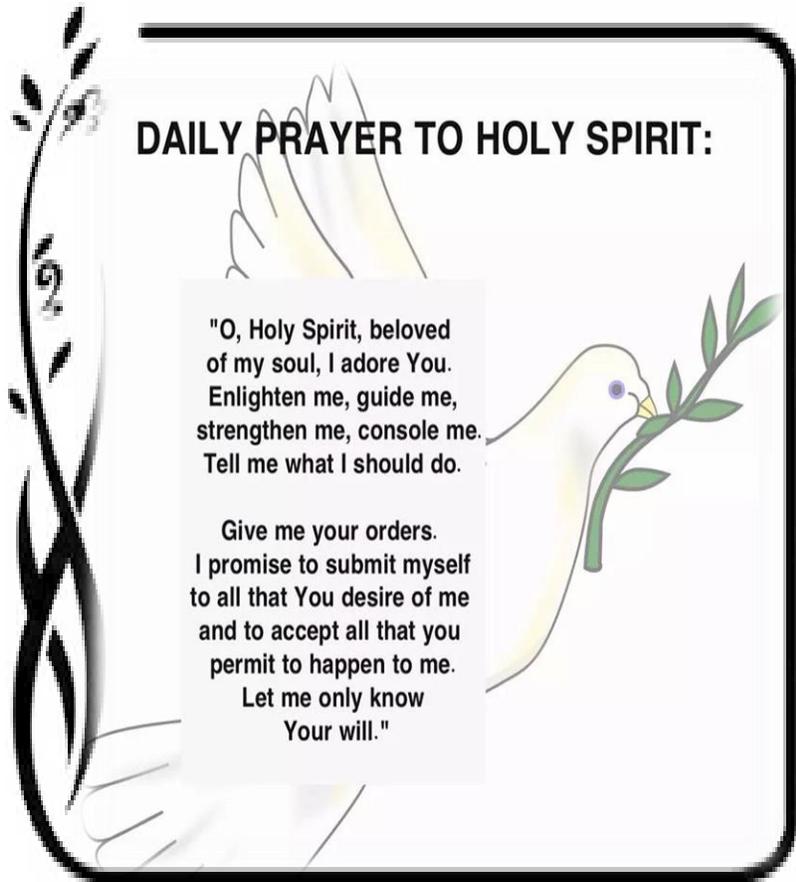
O my Divine Jesus. How great is my desire to receive your Sacred Blood! Come now into my soul. At least, by a Spiritual Communion. I give up my soul into your Divine Hands. Receive it into the bosom of your mercy. Amen.

I wish, My Lord, to receive you with the purity humility and devotion with which your most Holy Mother received you with the spirit and fervor of the Saints.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me within thy wounds, hide me, suffer me not to be separated from thee.

I desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of Sacramental Communion. I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus. May they love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in thee. I hope in thee. I love thee. Amen.

DAILY PRAYER TO HOLY SPIRIT:



"O, Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I should do.

Give me your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that You desire of me and to accept all that you permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your will."

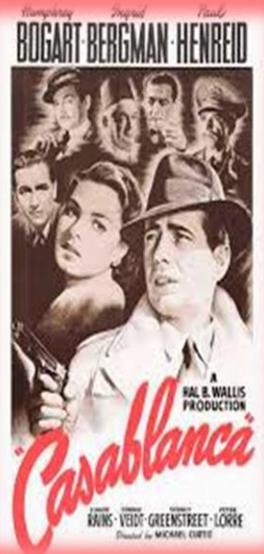
Lancashire Memories



Sending my best wishes, thoughts and smiles to all of you during these challenging times.



Remember "Whitsun" processions??



Week 11 Memories Video trailer (4 mins):

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Week 11 full Memories Video (72 mins):

Week 11 – full video – 72 mins – **Password = MemVid11**

https://1drv.ms/v/s!Agg_z3ws8Tun6SIJF2u6MmS9ki_q?e=ZldCAs (copy & paste to your Browser)

To view it may require it to be downloaded, an option that appears on the *OneDrive* page. My apologies for this as it is a big file, but well worth watching I hope. Enjoy! Someone had difficulty accessing

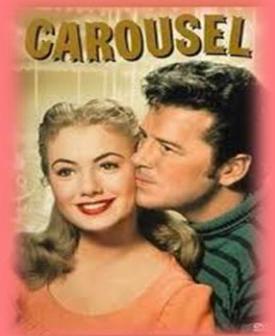
Week 9's full video, so below is a renewed link, just in case you did too.

Full Memories Video Week 9 – full video (73 mins). **Password = MemVid9**

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With thanks and kind regards,

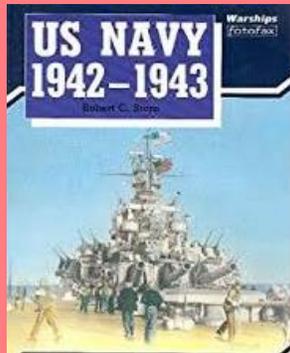
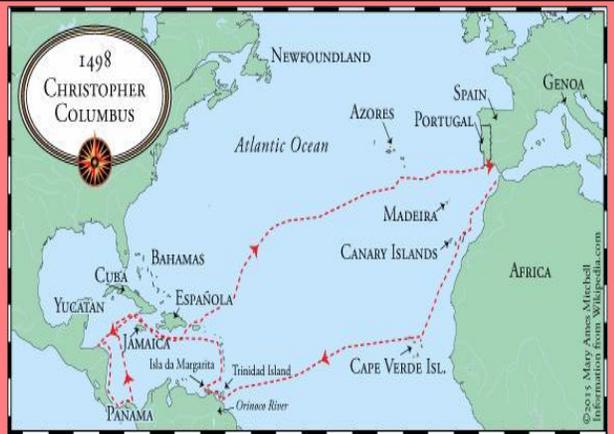
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A POINT OF INTEREST - WHAT HAPPENED

THIS DAY IN HISTORY JUNE 7th:

1. 1498 – Christopher Columbus leaves on his third voyage of exploration
2. 1654 – Louis XIV is crowned King of France
3. 1939 – King George VI becomes the first British monarch to visit the United States
4. 1940 – Singer Tom Jones is born
5. 1942 – The United States routs the Japanese Navy in a major three-day battle over a remote military base at Midway Island in the Pacific Ocean.



6. 1966 – Former actor Ronald Reagan is elected Governor of California
7. 1972 – The musical **Grease** opens on Broadway
8. 1977 – More than one million people line the streets of London as the Queen marks the start of her Silver Jubilee
9. 1981 – Israel bombs Osirak nuclear plant Baghdad
10. 1982 – Graceland is opened to the public for the first time, almost five years after the death of Elvis.



DON'T HAVE, OR CAN YOU HELP SOMEONE WHO HAS NO INTERNET? FEEL LEFT OUT?

During these times when our 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, the telephone number to call is **01642 130120.**

If you know anyone who may benefit from this service, please pass on this number to them.

Members of our community have been emailing and phoning Fr David informing him of situations that need prayers. As you can see from the photo Fr David has lit a candle on the Sacred Heart Altar for each prayer request he has received. If you would like a candle to be lit please don't hesitate to get in touch with Fr David directly, preferably by email and he'll light a candle for you:

wallsend.ourladystcolumba@rcdhn.org.uk

COVID 19, OUR PARISH CHURCH WILL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED:

The Parish Priest will continue to celebrate Mass in the Parish without the Faithful (Parishioners) Deacons, Altar Servers. The celebration of Mass ensures that the Faithful can join in Spiritual Communion with the Priests of the Church.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms will be deferred until such time that the Public Health Advice is that congregations can gather safely. In case of necessity, Baptisms should be celebrated with all the hygiene precautions that have been laid down by the Church in its COVID-19 advice. The Parish Priest will be contacting all Parishioners who have a Baptism booked. **FIRST**

RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION: These celebrations are postponed until a time that allows for families and friends to gather safely within our Church. The Parish Priest and School Headteacher will confirm new dates as soon as it is safe to do so.

MATRIMONY: If possible, the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony should be deferred until such time that people can gather in numbers safely. However, if this is not possible and only in the most pressing of circumstances, then those present for the marriage should be restricted to the Celebrant, Bride and Groom and immediate family, & if necessary, the legal Registrar. The Parish Priest will be in contact with any couples preparing for marriage. **SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION AT THE EASTER VIGIL:** This will be dependent on the forthcoming decisions of the Bishops for the Holy Week ceremonies. The Parish Priest will be in touch with those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation in due course. **CONFIRMATION:** The celebration of Confirmation will be deferred until such time that the Public Health advice is that congregations can resume public worship.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: No pastoral visits will be made to people unless in an emergency. However, we will offer phone support (SEE NOTICE.) Anointing of the Sick will be carried out by the Priest, avoiding physical contact, adhering to the hygiene procedures set out. Visits to care homes/ hospitals will follow advice from the staff on infection control.

HOLY COMMUNION AND PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: As our Eucharistic Ministers are mainly over the age of 70 we are suspending visits for the time being & offering phone support, contact the Parish Office: 0191 2623817. The Priest and Funeral Directors will work together to support families who are experiencing bereavement. **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Confessions may be offered on request as long as hygiene and social distancing requirements are observed (e.g. a physical barrier between the Penitent and Priest, such as a grille and cloth.) The use of Rite II and Rite III of the Rite of Penance is not permitted as this, by necessity requires the gathering of people in our Churches.