This week

Day/Date	Services & meetings	Location
Sat 27th May *St Augustine of Canterbury*	**09:30 - Mass:** *Private intention* **17:30 - Vigil Mass:** *Dominic & Tony Ottewell*	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary**
Sun 28th May *THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD*	**09:30 - Mass:** *People of the parish* **11:00 - Mass:** *Pat Hutchfield* **16:00 - Holy Hour Adoration**	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary** **St Wilfrid**
Mon 29th May	**09:30 - Eucharistic Service** **10:00 - Mass:** *John Nicholson* **19:00 - Art Group**	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary** **St Mary**
Tues 30th May	**09:30 - Mass:** *The Kennett Family* **09:30 - Eucharistic Service** **19:00 - Prayer Group & Adoration**	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary** **St Wilfrid**
Wed 31st May *THE VISITATION*	**09:30 - Mass:** *Rita Desai* **09:30 - Eucharistic Service**	**St Mary** **St Wilfrid**
Thur 1st June *St Justin*	**09:30 - Mass:** *Deceased of the Stockton & Cruddace Families* **09:30 - Eucharistic Service**	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary**
Fri 2nd June	**09:30 - Mass:** *People of the parish*	**St Mary**
Sat 3rd June *The Uganda Martyrs*	**09:30 - Mass:** *Holy Souls* **14:00 - WEDDING OF:** *Claire Louise Lowes & Lee Anthony Willis* **17:30 - Vigil Mass:** *Bobby Johnson*	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary** **St Mary**
Sun 4th June *PENTECOST*	**09:30 - Mass:** *Peter Bland* **11:00 - Mass:** *Kathy Sollitt* **16:00 - Holy Hour Adoration**	**St Wilfrid** **St Mary** **St Wilfrid**

Quote: "The emptier a person's heart is, the more he or she needs to buy, own and consume." -- *Pope Francis*

Collections last Sunday - Thank You

Collection: £539.89 (St Mary); £267.46 (St Wilfrid)

The Parish of St Mary + St Wilfrid

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Sunday, 28 May 2017

Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

You are Mine

I will come to you in the silence
I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice
I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am near
I am hope for all who are hopeless
I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light
Come and rest in Me

Do not be afraid, I am with you
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me
I will bring you home
I love you and you are mine

I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free
And all will know My name

I am the Word that leads all to freedom
I am the peace the world cannot give
I will call your name, embracing all your pain
Stand up, now, walk, and live

David Haas

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Confession Times

St Mary
Saturday
10.15 - 11.00 am,

St Wilfrid
Before Sunday morning Mass until 9.20 am.

Also after weekday morning Masses by request and any other time by simple arrangement.

The Manchester tragedy touches everyone. There will be a vigil in Bishop Auckland Market Place on Tuesday evening at 7pm. You are invited and may wish to join with others to demonstrate the power of love and solidarity in the face of cowardly and mindless terrorism.

Red Mission Boxes can be left at the back of each church to be emptied for the June collection. Thanks to everyone for the March totals: St Wilfrid's £532.99 and St Mary's £195.80.

The Election generates much talk and opinion and that's healthy. As they have done on previous occasions, our Bishops have produced a handout reminding us of the Gospel issues to keep in mind before we decide how to place our vote. Please read it with care. Thank you.

The second collection next weekend will be for the annual 'Day for Life' appeal and 'Peter's Pence'.

CAFOD run Dr Ronnie Pounder who many sponsored for CAFOD last year is running in a 69 mile run on 17th June, also for CAFOD. This 'Ultra Marathon' covers the length of Hadrian's Wall and is a momentous challenge. Let's see how we can support him and CAFOD. Sponsor forms are at the back of church. Thank you.

Diocesan Festival 2017 - Changing Hearts: the Challenge of Discipleship will be at the Emmaus Youth Village at Allensford, near Consett, and is on Saturday and Sunday 24th-25th June. It will be a wonderful occasion with great speakers and I'd be delighted if a good group will go from our parish. We'll arrange transport but we need to book you in (and pay for you) whether you go on one day or both. Under 18s go free. Booking forms need returning by 2nd June so could I ask for early decisions folks? Big thanks!

A Spring Concert by the Bishop Auckland Choral Society takes place in the Town Hall on Friday 2nd June at 7pm, featuring Karl Jenkins' "The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace". Tickets (adults £8, concessions £6 & children £3) are available now from Sophie or at the door on the night.

Please pray for the health of:

Betty Shoulder
Irene Welford
Winnie Dowson
Michael Dowson
Sarah Moss
Mrs Aitken
Val Mundell
Joan Lightfoot
Monica Fuller
Michael Nicholson
Adam Hudspeth
Christopher Browne
Kate Johnson
Tyler Quinn
Julie Pattenden
Bill Gillon
Maureen Nicholson
Dennis Shaughnessy
Norah Hutchinson
Robin Davis
Angela Graham
Stephen Gregory
Lorna Wood
Frank Ridley
Christopher Dawes

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Please pray for:

JAMES COOK (12)

who has died.

May he rest in peace.

Scripture Readings for this week's Masses:

Sun	Acts 1:1-11	Ps 46	Ephesians 1:17-23	Matthew 28:16-20
Mon	Acts 19:1-8	Ps 67	John 16:29-33	
Tues	Acts 20:17-27	Ps 67	John 17:1-11	
Wed	Zephaniah 3:14-18	Isaiah 12:2-6	Luke 1:39-56	
Thurs	Acts 22:30,23:6-11	Ps 15	John 17:20-26	
Fri	Acts 25:13-21	Ps 102	John 21:15-19	
Sat	Acts 28:16-20,30-31	Ps 10	John 21:20-25	
Sun	Acts 2:1-11	Ps 103	1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13	John 20:19-23

Diary Dates:

- Saturday 10th June, 11am, at St Mary's Cathedral in Newcastle, Bishop Seamus will lead a Celebration of Marriage: Partnership of Life & Love. Everyone is most welcome. There is a poster at the back of church.

The Ministry of Consolation is a conference on Saturday 10th June, 10am arrival for 10:30 start, ending 15:30 at Ushaw College, Durham, DH7 9RH. This day will focus on support for people and their families during terminal illness or the journey through dementia. There is a poster at the back of church if you would like more information. Booking is essential for this day. We have booking forms - please let Fr Dennis know if you would like to attend.

A Flower Festival is being arranged over three days in August (10th-12th) at St Mary's in Bishop Auckland. Our aim is to have all entries displaying the theme of Kynren & have churches in the area taking part. The church will be open from 11am -3pm on these days with a £3 admission including tea, coffee and cakes. All proceeds will be donated to the Great North Air Ambulance. Please see Zita in church for more information or contact the church office with any questions.

Sponsored Swim Heather Smith is very grateful to all who supported her 'Cross-channel' sponsored swim - Her target was £500 but, thanks to your generosity, the final total was £1,632, which will go to the NE Disability Resource Centre and dementia projects round the county. Thank you!!!

The re:generate Prayer Walk will set out from Bishop Auckland at 09:30 (St Anne's Church, market place) to Ferryhill (expected to finish about 16:15) on Saturday 10th June. If you're interested, please see the poster for details.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Appeal for Nurses Due to increased requests from people needing nursing care and assistance on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes we need to make an appeal for more nurses. If you can help please get in touch with Fr Peter Stott on 01670 513410 or contact lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk