



SAINT JOSEPH WITH SAINTS AIDAN & OSWALD

SAINT AIDAN, BISHOP & MONK

Aidan, a native of Ireland, was a monk on Iona. When the Christian King Oswald returned from exile on Iona to his kingdom of Northumbria, he invited the monks of Iona to provide missionaries to instruct his people in Christianity. After initial difficulties, Aidan was consecrated bishop and sent with a group of Irish monks to begin this task.

He established a monastery on the island of Lindisfarne which became the centre of a major missionary effort in the North of England. The monastery also became a valuable centre of learning and an important training ground for the education of English boys who would continue the work of evangelisation. His Feast Day is the 31st August.

From Lindisfarne Aidan journeyed throughout Northumberland, usually on foot, and working closely with King Oswald who found him to be a wise adviser and a good personal friend. After Oswald's death in 642, Aidan continued this work under his successor, Oswin.

According to Bede, Aidan was a man of great gentleness and moderation, outstanding for his energetic missionary work.

Below are (left) image of St. Aidan which is on Holy Island, (middle), Bamburgh, the place of his death, (right), the group from the parishes who made their way to visit the sites of the north east and pray.

This weekend we mark the Feast by celebrating his life and ministry at the SSAO weekend Masses.



Date	Time, Church	Liturgy	Other
Monday 1st September <i>St. Edmund Arrowsmith Priest and Martyr</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre
Tuesday 2nd September	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10.30am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Mass (with staff from SSAO) Mass (with staff from SJ)	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre 7-9pm, SSAO: AA
Wednesday 3rd September <i>St. Gregory the Great Pope, Doctor</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ 10.30am, SSAO	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass Req Mass: Eleanor Nelson	8.45-11am, SSAO: Diddy Disciples (toddler group) 7-8pm, SJ: RCIA (see overleaf)
Thursday 4th September <i>St. Cuthbert Bishop</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ 1pm, SSAO	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass Funeral Service: Myrtle Kenyon	9.30am, SSAO: Knit&Natter 7-9pm, SSAO: AA
Friday 5th September <i>Mother Teresa of Calcutta</i>	9am, SSAO 9.30am, SSAO 10am, SJ 12noon, SSAO 6pm, SSAO 7pm, SSAO	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass Funeral Service: Teresa Colman Adoration & Confession Mass	SSAO: First Friday Devotions
Saturday 6th September	10am SJ 10.30am-11am, SJ 5pm-5.20pm, SSAO 5.30pm, SSAO	Mass Adoration & Confession Confession (vigil) Mass	SJ: First Saturday Devotions 11.30am, SJ, Wedding: Natasha & Joseph Harrop
Sunday 7th September <i>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am, SSAO 11am, SJ	Mass Mass	1pm, SSAO: Baptisms 7-9pm, SSAO: AA

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) re-starts this Wednesday, for those who would like to know more about the Catholic faith or who would like to become a Catholic. Each Wednesday, 7-8pm, St. Joseph's Church/ Centre. All welcome.

WELCOME BACK

As the staff and students return after the summer holidays, we welcome them back into formation for the kingdom of God. Catholic education is about feeding the mind and the soul. We pray this year will be informative, but also transformative for the children and staff.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

As part of welcoming children into the Church through baptism:

1. An initial meeting with myself
2. A baptism preparation session with our Catechist team (next sessions either **13th September or 1st November, 12-1pm at St. Joseph's Church**).
3. The child is then presented at one of the weekend Masses before being baptised.

please contact Fr. Gavin to make arrangements.

SACRAMENTAL PROG.

We will be beginning the Sacramental Programme at St. Joseph's in September, if your child does not attend an RC school, please contact Fr. Gavin.

**MASSES
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General:

In Thanksgiving, William Slicker, Kathleen Louise Carroll, Winifred & Wilfred Tootill, Mary Barret, Tessi Lancaster

Lately Dead:

Eleanor Nelson
ANNIVERSARY:
Thomas Leyland

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'Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.' (Lk. 14: 1, 7-14)

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday: St Edmund Arrowsmith

He was born at Haydock in Lancashire. At the age of 20 he left England and went to the English College at Douai to study for the priesthood.

In 1628 He was put on trial, and sentenced to death for being a Roman Catholic priest in England. He was hanged, drawn and quartered at Lancaster on 28 August 1628.

Wednesday: St Gregory The Great

He was elected Pope on 3rd September 590, the first monk to be elected to this office. He reformed the administration of the Church's estates and devoted the resulting surplus to the assistance of the poor and the ransoming of prisoners.

Thursday: St Cuthbert

According to tradition, he was a shepherd boy. He became a monk. He was zealous in preaching the Gospel but most attracted to living the life of a hermit, and in 676 he left the monastery and lived in solitude on the nearby island of Inner Farne.

Friday: Mother Teresa of Calcutta

She was born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu and left home at the age of 18 to join the Sisters of Loreto in Ireland, and then onto India.

She received 'a calling within a calling' and began the Missionaries of Charity, to care for the poorest of the poor.

SVP AWARENESS MONTH

Each September we celebrate the work of the Saint Vincent De Paul Society (SVP). I am grateful that we have very active SVP groups across both parishes. The aim of the SVP is to work within the parish 'turning concern into action' by reaching out to our brothers and sisters in need.

The SVP groups will be hosting events to share their work and bring about a greater awareness of their outreach.

*"Peace begins
with a smile"*

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

JACKPOT CLUB

Win £500, £100, or £25 prizes by entering the Parish Jackpoy Club. ContactRoni:veronica8721@aol.com for more information.

BAPTISM

We welcome **Tim, Winnie, and Nate** into the Catholic Church as they are baptised this weekend.

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greatly appreciated and helps
to keep the parishes missioning*