



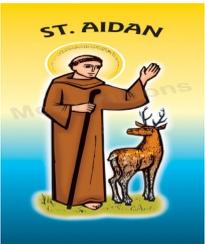
22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

1ST SEPTEMBER 2019



WELCOME BACK to the pupils and staff of our primary and secondary schools. I hope that everyone has had a good break, coming back to a new school year raring to go, and committed to being the best they can be!

Each year, the church sends out an invitation to those who are not Catholic and to baptised Catholics who weren't brought up in the practice of the faith. For those interested the church offers a six month basic introduction to life in the Catholic Community. Please do not think that the first thing that will be asked of you will be to sign on the dotted line! It won't happen. Some of the loveliest moments in our Easter Vigil celebration have come about as a result of adult baptisms and reception into full communion with the church.



FEAST OF ST AIDAN.
We had a very fitting celebration to celebrate the Feast of one of our patrons St Aidan. We had a delicious brunch afterwards, thanks to Ellen Smith and her team for all of their hard work! They never let us down!

Increasingly we are going hear the call to reach out to those in our communities who for whatever reason no longer attend Mass on a Sunday. Lets focus in this coming week on those who are housebound or prevented by age from worshipping on a regular basis in either of our two churches. You know the people who used to sit next to you in church or behind and are no longer doing so. let's identify these people, make their names known to us and play a part in securing the future of our churches .

St Bernadette's 200 Club: The new year for the SVP 200 Club starts in October and the annual subscription of £12, now due, can be paid to Maurice Ahern as soon as possible. Each year approx £1000 is sent the SVP at Blackfriars, half of which is spent on monthly prizes with the remainder used to help local under privileged people. Let's see how quickly we can complete this task!

Good luck to any one completing the Great North Run next weekend!
North East Call to Action with Newcastle University Chaplaincy have organised the 10th Annual Eve of Run Gathering to celebrate the event and express support for those in need at home and abroad. From 4.30pm—6.45 with a break for refreshments there is an interesting programme of talks and music. Everyone is welcome! St Thomas the Martyr Church Haymarket Newcastle



Please continue your (very) generous donations for the Food Bank. Thank you!

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| 2nd September | | |
| Monday | | |
| Tuesday 10.00am | | In Thanksgiving |
| Wednesday 9.30am | Maureen Sandberg | |
| Thursday 10.00am | | Celebrants intention |
| Friday 9.30am | The Hearns Family | |
| Saturday | | |
| Sunday | 10.00am Peggy Harbottle | 11.30 am Tommy & Bernie Rochester |



WE NEED YOUR HELP! Home Mission Sunday is being celebrated on September 15th and is therefore an ideal Sunday to welcome all comers, On that day, we will provide additional context and understanding of each part of the Mass to better inform those present of the meaning behind the celebration. **Why not pick up an invitation and proffer it with a warm welcome to someone you know?**

ST AIDAN'S OPEN CHURCH: On the same Sunday St Aidan's will hold an OPEN CHURCH from 2pm—4pm when we will extend an invitation to our neighbours, of whatever denomination to come and visit our church and garden, and offer them a cup of tea and a scone. If you live in the locale and could post some leaflets through your neighbours doors or use modern means of communication to communicate this message, we would really appreciate your support. Let me know if you can help.

Congratulations and Best Wishes for a long, happy and healthy future together are extended to Daniel Chater and Laura Ashley Jamieson who were married at St Bernadette's Church yesterday!



Our First Communion Programme will be starting next Sunday 8th September when all of the children will be expected to attend weekend mass at either of our churches. I am looking forward to working with the parents and children who have committed to the programme this year. The first teaching session will be advertised soon.