

# First Sunday of Advent 27<sup>th</sup> November - 2016

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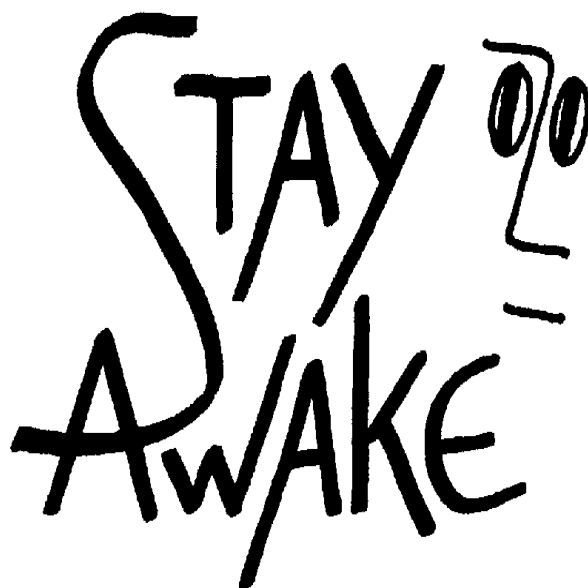
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*Stay awake so that you may be ready.*

*Matthew 24:37-44*



## MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS 27<sup>th</sup> November - 4<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Date	Feast	Time	Intention
<b>Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	Safety of Refugees & Holy Souls
		<b>5.30pm</b>	People of the Parish
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov		10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov		10.00am	No Mass
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Andrew, Apostle	10.00am	No Mass
Thur 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec		10.00am	Dec. of St. Anne's Legion of Mary Presidium
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec		6.00pm	Exposition
		7.00pm	Joseph & Maisie Banks
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	St. Frances Xavier	10.00am	Intentions of Priest
<b>Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	Pat O'Brien [Guild]
		<b>5.30pm</b>	People of the Parish

**Confessions after Saturday morning Mass {10.45am}**

**Children's Liturgy during Morning Mass on Sunday**

**Chapel Times of Adoration: Monday 9.00am-3.00pm; Tuesday 8.00am-3.00pm**

### Welcomers

27<sup>th</sup> Nov; Rose-Elaine; Ann  
4<sup>th</sup> Dec; Rose-Elaine; Elsie

### Mass Readers

**27<sup>th</sup> Nov**

**10.30am** Karen Clark

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**10.30am** Sharon McQuiggan

### Church Cleaners

Two weeks commence 20<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Group {D}

Joan Falcus; Cath Tate;  
Pat Devlin; Jean Morris;

### Sanctuary Candle: 27<sup>th</sup> Nov-4<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Church:**

**Chapel:**

### Sanctuary Candle: 4<sup>th</sup> Dec-11<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Church:**

**Chapel:**

### Communion Ministers

**27<sup>th</sup> Nov**

**10.30am** Nicola Cant; Goff Ellis;  
Mary Stacey

**5.30pm** Christine Hodgkinson

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**10.30am** Joan Limer; Margaret Bayne;  
John Kelly;

**5.30pm** Andy Hayes

**200 Club Week Winner Wk 46 No 94**

**20<sup>th</sup> Nov Offertory Coll'n £279.90**

**Youth Ministry £116.69**

Next Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading from the Prophet Isaiah 11:1-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 15:4-9

Gospel from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 3:1-12

**SICK CLERGY:** Bishop Seamus has announced that Rev. Abbot Cuthbert Johnson is very ill. Please pray for his recovery. Your continued prayers are asked for Fr. Leo Coughlin and Fr. David Tanner who are quite ill at the moment and all our clergy who are suffering ill-health at this time.

**LADIES' GUILD:** 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. Bingo 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. No Guild Meeting; 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Closing night prior to Christmas; Bran Tub, etc.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be no Mass in St. Anne's on Tuesday morning, because of a School Service taking place in Sacred Heart School at Byermoor.

**ADVENT:** Today we begin our liturgical countdown to Christmas. We will reflect on the three Comings of Christ. His first coming at Christmas time, his second as he tries to enter our lives each day and his final coming when he comes to offer us our final reckoning. The most urgent coming is his daily attempts and influence our lives. We pray to be waiting, ready and attentive. The suggestions for the cycle of prayer for Advent are: Openness to the Word of God; Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

**DISPLAY OF CHRISTMAS CARDS:** As in previous years, a space will be available at the back of Church to allow Christmas greetings cards to friends in the Parish to be displayed. A donation to CAFOD is requested from those opting to use the board.

**PARISH/SCHOOLCHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE:** A joint Christmas Carol Service with St. Anne's school will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm in St. Anne's Church. Please come along and bring your friends and family to support the children of our school and our parish.

**SPECIAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:** A special collection will be made for the Gateshead Food Bank on the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> December. Let us all think of the homeless and poor in our own community who are in such great need, particularly at this time of year. Thank you all for your generosity and support.

**HALF-YEARLYACCOUNTS:** The Parish's accounts for the period April-September 2016 were submitted to the Diocese at the end of October. A summary of these accounts is available on the Parish website and on the noticeboard at the back of church, with copies available to take away. Please take time to have a look at them.

**PRAYER GROUP** will meet again this Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6.30pm in the Chapel. Everyone welcome.

**CHRISTMAS SOCIAL:** To be held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7-10.00pm. Buffet, Raffle & DIY bar. Tickets now on sale at £5 per person.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE:** We look forward to our Fayre after 10.30am Mass today and are most grateful to everyone for the demanding preparation and the many gifts donated.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS:** The raffle will take place today at the Parish Christmas Fayre. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME:** The next session for the young people preparing for the Sacrament of confirmation will be held this evening Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm in St. Peter's Parish Hall, Low Fell. Please pray for the young people preparing for Confirmation and their families.

**JOURNEY IN FAITH:** Our Journey in Faith Programme will continue on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, in St. Anne's Church at 6.30pm. Part of the Faith experience is providing hospitality and light refreshments. We would greatly welcome two parish volunteers each Wednesday to assist us in this provision. If most parishioners could offer their services, men too, each week, this work will become a very easy task; a wonderful labour of love. Please, please, give it much consideration. Please also continue to pray for all those taking part in the programme and for their families.

**WALSINGHAM:** The Walsingham Account at Virgin Money has now been closed. The balance remaining in the account amounted to £82.53. Half of this total, £41.28, has been sent to the Walsingham Building Fund and the remainder, £41.25 will be given for Masses for the deceased members of the Walsingham Group. Very many thanks to Joyce Birney and Kath Hagan for their wonderful work in organising the many Pilgrimages to Walsingham.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** These are currently at an all-time low and it is hoped that they will greatly increase in the future, particularly during the Christmas season. Please note that these donations go directly to the parish to help boost our funds.

**ADVENT ALMS [ST. CUTHBERT'S CARE]:** Yes, folks it's that time of year when St. Cuthbert's asks for our pennies to help in all the wonderful work they are doing for the old, poor and disadvantaged of our region. All we ask is that you do what you can. See box in porch. Thank you for your support and generosity.

**HALL BOOKINGS** can be made by telephoning Margaret 0191 487 8504, 487 5241, 482 2044  
**CHOIR PRACTICE** is at 7.00pm every Monday and new members are always made most welcome.  
**THE LADIES GUILD** meet every Monday 8.00pm. New members are most welcome.  
**S.V.P.** meet every Sunday morning before Mass (9.45am). New members are always made most welcome  
**THE LEGION OF MARY** meet every Tuesday afternoon at 1.30pm in St. Oswald's.  
**SARDINES AND RICE COLLECTIONS** on the first Sunday of each month, Thank you for your generosity.  
**HALL ACTIVITIES** Mon 1.45pm 'Keep Fit'