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Pope Francis appoints a new Bishop for our Diocese

Auxiliary bishop Stephen Wright of Birmingham Diocese, aged 52, will be installed as the 15th bishop of Hexham and Newcastle diocese at St Mary's Cathedral on **Wednesday 19**th **July.**

He was ordained a priest in 2000 and ordained a bishop in 2020. He worked as a lawyer before his ordination. He qualified as a Barrister in October 1993. He studied for the priesthood at the English College, Rome, where he was awarded a Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology, STL, from the Pontifical Gregorian University in 2000.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has hailed the appointment of Bishop Wright as "timely and fitting", saying that it brings "a sharp awareness and knowledge of the legal frameworks, both canonical and civil, within which a Diocesan Church carries out its mission."

Bishop Wright has been a member of the Diocesan Safeguarding Commission in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. He is also Chairman of CAFOD's trustees.

He has asked us all to keep him in our prayers.

ST OSWALD'S 100 CLUB

Winners Weekly Draw 11th June.

1st prize no.12: £15 Tracey Simpson.

2nd prize no 100:£5 Joseph Relph.

3rd prize no 23:£5 Stuart Wake.

Prize money paid out £25.

Money to church fund £19.

66 numbers taken.

We really need the other 34 number to be taken. Can you help for £1 per week?

You can join in the church porch.



MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 18th June 2023

11th Sunday of the Year A Day of Prayer for Human Life

Vigil St Anne 5.30 pm St Augustine 9.15 am For the Parishioners Murray & Toole families Oswald Leo Duffy

Tuesday St Augustine 10.00 am Lila McGuiness Wednesday St Anne 10.00 am Special Intention (C.H.)

Thursday St Augustine 10.15 am Funeral Mass for Thomas Hayton

12th Sunday of the Year

Vigil St Anne's 5,30 pm Margaret Bayne
St Augustine 9.15 am For the Parishioners
St Oswald 11.15 am Thomas White

The annual DIOCESAN LEVY

This is the amount each parish must pay to the Diocese in 2023. The calculation is based on Sunday Offertory Income. There is a 10% reduction for this year only, reflecting the effects of Covid on congregations and parish income.

St Augustine £4,748 St Anne £2,483 St Oswald £3.202

Second Collection

Today there is a second collection to support the work of the Catholic Church in the important area of **Bio-Medical Ethics** and standing up for the **sanctity of Human Life.**

Little Sisters of the Poor Summer Fayre at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle on Saturday 1st July from 1 pm to 4 pm. All are Welcome.

Today there is a **Pastoral Letter** from Archbishop Malcolm McMahon to be read out at all weekend Masses.

Regular Recitation of the Rosary

before St Anne's Wednesday and St Oswald's Thursday Masses, starting 20 minutes before Mass begins, 9.40 a.m. and 11.40 a.m. respectively. Your prayers are requested for Father Patrick O'Connell who is ill in hospital.

Sunday Offertory Collections "My weekly offering to God."

 St Augustine:
 £434-93 (168-34)

 St Anne:
 £393-40 (68-70)

 St Oswald
 £462-40 (83.70)

(Diocesan Levy 2nd collection in brackets)

THE COST OF VANDALISM AND PREVENTION MEASURES AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

The cost of repairing the six windows (leaded lights) at St Augustine's church after the recent outbreak of vandalism is £1.320 plus VAT, making **a total cost of £1.650**. This will be covered by our building's insurance, but we must pay the first £350 of the insurance claim.

The cost of protecting the 34 windows at the lower level against any possible future damage with strong long-lasting polycarbonate sheets is £2,950 for materials, £590 for VAT, making a **total cost of** £3.540.

This work has now been completed and is not covered by insurance. It must be paid for in full out of parish funds. Any donations (anonymous or otherwise) to help defray these substantial costs would be most welcome.