



Congratulations to Michael & Maureen Ronan (St Columba's) as they celebrate 50 years of marriage. God bless you both and may you have many more happy years together.

A message from Kath Wade—St Aidan's Pilgrim's Walk for Future: Ecumenical European Pilgrimage to COP26

One of our parishioners was privileged to join pilgrims who had walked around 1,000 miles before reaching our shores to walk with them from North Shields to Blyth.

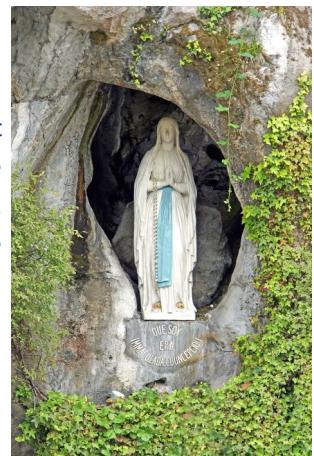
Many of the pilgrims spoke excellent English and were pleased to share with people they met in the streets as well as in the area's churches, the reasons they had decided to walk for months on end across countries in Europe and the UK. This is truly faith in action. Their aim is to raise awareness of the importance of the forthcoming climate conference in Glasgow as this is such a decisive moment in our history. We need to impress upon governments the fact that all is interconnected - not only human beings but also other species and our planet. We need a just transition to lifestyles that respect all peoples, species and our planet. Their message resonates with the writings of Pope Francis in Laudato Si, Fratelli Tutti and Let Us Dream. One of the pilgrims - Pino, originally from Sardinia, now living in Germany - is a great fan of Pope Francis and was keen to know if people in my parish were equally enthusiastic. I could really only answer from my own perspective: His writings are truly prophetic and he is fulfilling the intention of the Second Vatican Council to fling open the doors and windows of the Church to allow the Holy Spirit to work. I believe that Pope Francis is well-loved here in our Wallsend parish. Pino asked that I offer his love and prayers to the people of our parish and I feel that I have now fulfilled that request. Further information on the pilgrimage <https://walkforfuture.se/english/>

Hexham and Newcastle Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage -

Expression of Interest Form for July 2022

As preparations begin for our annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 29 July - Friday 5 August 2022, it is hoped that this year, we will be able to travel together as a Diocese once more. In order to aid the planning stages, it would be helpful if you could indicate your interest in travelling to Lourdes in July 2022 and state if you would be willing to offer any help or volunteer for any of the roles that support the smooth running of the Pilgrimage. Thank you so much for your service and support.

Visit our website to register your interest: [https://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk/...](https://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk/)



World Mission Sunday 24th Oct



World Mission Sunday is on the penultimate Sunday in October each year. It's the one Sunday in the year when the entire global Church comes together to support mission. And every single donation from these worldwide Masses goes to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

Every Catholic community, in every country, sends a powerful message of faith, hope and love on this special day.

This is our chance to show love and solidarity to our global Church family. Through our prayers, we support missionaries everywhere in spreading the Good News. And by donating we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis says: 'Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation as a true love story that urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion'.

There will be a retring collection at all Masses.

You may wish to donate using the link <https://missio.org.uk/wmsdonate/>

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you, once again, to all those who made the coffee morning a huge success. The total raised has now risen to £672 following the receipt of more donations.



Marriage Care Relationship Counselling

We know statistically that the Covid-19 outbreaks and consequent effects on couples, and families and society in general, has been profound. Our existing Diocesan Counsellors have been stretched more than ever in the amount of counselling they have been requested to do so we recognise a real need for more trained counsellors. If you are interested in this fulfilling work please do not hesitate to contact Marriage Care for details www.marriagecare.org.uk/crc