

Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us
down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.



DIocese of Hexham & Newcastle

Vicariate for Faith and Mission 2021 –2023

The Tynemouth Priory Partnership will meet on Saturday 29th January 2022 to discuss how we as a partnership can give feedback to the diocese on the themes and questions of the synodal process.

There is documentation available on the diocesan website and this can be accessed via the link

<https://diocesehn.org.uk/living-the-faith/synod-2021-2023/#resources>

The process is a two year process. "Synodality is not a corporate strategic exercise. Rather it is a spiritual process that is led by the Holy Spirit.

More information will follow. If you would like to attend the meeting in January, please contact the parish priest who will endeavour to include you in the numbers but please bear in mind the COVID situation will dictate how many people can attend.

Used Postage Stamps and Foreign Currency

As you know, St Bernadette's and St Aidan's parishes collect foreign currency, sending them to St Oswald's Hospice in Gosforth.

St Columba's send theirs to the Little Sisters of the Poor. You will all be receiving lots of post in the coming weeks. Please take the time to cut around the stamps, as seen in the picture. Collectively, we can make a difference to these two very important charities.



Outdoor Christmas Market Raffle Prizes - To be CLAIMED

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| 805 Yellow / £100 Cash Prize | 244 Brown / Luxury Toiletries |
| 145 Green / £50 Florist Shop Voucher | 764 Yellow / Gin Liqueur Baubles |
| 133 Yellow / Winter in Venice Bath Bombs | 247 Pink / Tin of Chocolate Continental Biscuits |
| 980 Green / Sanctuary Spa Toiletries | 331 Green / Bottle of Champagne |
| 350 Brown / Bottle of Brandy | |
| 367 Yellow / Bottle of Port | |

Please ensure you bring your winning tickets so we can match up the security codes.

Operation Christmas Child

Very many thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the Shoebox Appeal. 59 boxes were sent from St Bernadette's Primary School and parishioners gave £165 towards the cost of transportation. Well done everyone.



St Bernadette's Parish Centre Parent & Toddler Group

New members are welcome!

The sessions take place Mondays and Wednesdays 9.00am—11.30am. The cost is £2.50 for the first child. Additional places only £1. Tea, coffee and juice served. Come and give us a try!



Baptism - The next session for parents who would like their child baptised will be January 27th 2022 at 6.30pm at St Columba's.

If you are seeking to have your child baptised and are regularly attending Mass, then please ask Fr David for a baptism application form and once filled in and returned he will advise you on how to take the next steps.

To request a baptism for your child you need to come along to Saturday Mass 5.00pm at Our Lady and St Columba, Sunday 10.00am at St Aidan's or St Bernadette's Sunday 11.30am. Please keep yourself informed by regularly looking at our newsletters which are on the website: www.wallsendcatholic.church

If you do not already regularly attend Mass then after doing so for a few weeks, please introduce yourself to Fr David Smith and, if appropriate, you will be given a baptism application form. Once the form is returned you will be given a date to attend for a baptism catechesis session. Once that is completed then you will be offered dates from which you can choose the most suitable for your family. Fr David looks forward to baptising your child and welcoming them in to the community. Thank you!

