



**CATHOLIC PARISH OF
ST BEDE & SS PETER AND PAUL
South Shields**



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**Sunday 1st February 2026
Fourth Sunday of the Year (Year A)**



Please remember in your prayers:

those who are sick or housebound

Phil Banks, Fr Ronnie Brown, John Buckley, David Clark, Jacqueline Cullen, Margaret Davidson, Mary Delaney, Veronica Gosling, Anne Gray, Carol Heilbron, Tony Joyce, Cathy Manning, Steven Merrifield, Norma Richardson, Brenda Rutherford, Lorraine Steel, Jackie Taylor, Veronica Thompson, Dennis Wray



and those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Tresa Ord, Michelle Diaz

And those who have recently died:

Alfred Winter

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		Diary for the Week			
		St Bede's Church		Ss Peter & Paul Church	
5.00pm (Sat.)	Mass	Margaret and James Roberts (RIP)	Sunday 1st February <i>4th Sunday of the Year</i>	10.30-10.55am	Confessions
9.00-9.25am	Confessions			11.00am	Mass
9.30am	Mass	Michael Mann RIP			Tresa Ord (Anniv)
11.30am	Rosary	For Ukraine	Monday 2nd February		
12.00noon	Mass Blessing of Candles/Procession	Marvel Blaise Estibeiro (21st Birthday)	<i>Presentation of the Lord</i>		
			Tuesday 3rd February <i>Feria</i>	10.00am	Mass
					Special Int Tracy Merrifield
			Wednesday 4th February <i>Feria</i>	10.00am	Mass
					Alfred Winter RIP
10.00am	Mass	People of the Parish	Thursday 5th February <i>St Agatha</i>		
11.30	Exposition	Holy Souls	Friday 6th February <i>St Paul Miki and Companions</i>		
12.00noon	Mass				
10am	Mass	Michelle Diaz (Anniv) RIP	Saturday 7th February <i>Saturday Mass of Our Lady</i>		
10.30-11.15am	Adoration				
10.30-11.15am	Confessions				
4.30-4.55pm	Confessions	Thanksgiving—Special Intentions			
5.00pm	Mass				
9.00-9.25am	Confessions				
9.30am	Mass	Theresa Merrifield	Sunday 8th February <i>4th Sunday of the Year</i>	10.30-10.55am	Confessions
				11.00am	Mass
					People of the Parish

Notices for the Week

Attendance 11th January, 64 Vigil, 133 9.30am, 81 11.00am

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Alfred Winter and keep his family in your prayers. His Funeral Service will take place at South Shields Crematorium on Wednesday 4th February at 2.45pm. May he rest in peace.

Roof Fund

The outstanding balance for the replacement roof at St Bede currently stands at £399,950.

Tea and Coffee after Mass

Tea and coffee are available in the parish hall at St Bede's after Mass each Sunday morning, and in the parish room at Ss Peter and Paul after Mass each Wednesday morning. Do please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Anima Christi Prayer (to be recited after Communion)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within thy wounds, hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
At the hour of my death, call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee.
Forever and ever Amen.

School Masses

We are pleased to welcome the children from Ss's Peter and Paul who will be joining us for Mass this Wednesday 4th February at 10.00. The children from Year 5 at St Bede will also be joining us on Thursday 5th at 10.00. All are welcome.

Mass for the Feast of The Presentation of the Lord

The Blessing of Candles and Procession will take place at St Bede on Monday 2nd February at 12 noon.

Ash Wednesday Services Wednesday 18th February

Ash Wednesday masses will be held at SS's Peter and Paul at 10.00am and at St Bede's at 6.30pm.

There will also be a service attended by the school children at St Bede at 1.15pm. All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross—Request for Volunteers

Stations of the Cross at St Bede will commence on Friday 20/02/2026 at 11.15 and at SS's Peter and Paul on Sunday 22/02/2026 after Mass at 12 noon. They will continue each week until the end of Lent. Any Parishioner who would like to lead the Stations of the Cross, please speak to Father Anthony. Thankyou.

Catechesis for Adults—Journey of Faith

For those who are not yet Catholic and would like to know more, or for those who have not yet been confirmed/made your first Holy Communion we are pleased to announce that the Journey of Faith (RCIA) programme has now commenced. Details of future sessions will be advised in due course.

Parish Volunteers Meeting 6th February 2026

A reminder that a meeting for all parish volunteers (including Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Sacristans, Choir, Florists and Office) will take place in the Parish Hall at 6.30 pm on Friday 6th February 2026. Any Parishioner who would like to volunteer to assist the Parish is also welcome to attend. Please do come along.

SPUC—White Flower Appeal

The total raised at Ss's Peter and Paul/St Bede was 272.00. Thankyou for your generosity.

Tyne and Wear Citizens Meeting Thursday 5th February 2026

Tyne and Wear Citizens was founded to bring people and communities together to build a fairer society. Our Diocese is one of the founding partners. Fr Chris Hughes from St Cuthberts, North Shields is the Diocesan link between Tyne and Wear Citizens and the diocese. In North Shields they have had great success in making a difference in the lives of local people. Father Keith has arranged a meeting for Fr Chris to talk about the work he has been involved with at 7pm on Thursday 5th February at St Gregory's Church Hall. All are welcome.

Second Collection LEPRA

Our second collection this week is in support of LEPRA whose research over the past 100 years has lead to new and innovative approaches to healthcare programmes. They also advocate for those without a voice, challenge prejudice and work to strengthen local health systems. A poster is displayed on the noticeboard and for more information visit www.lepra.org.uk or LauriceJ@lepra.org.uk.