

## Service/Mass Times

### Mass at St Paul's, Alnwick

Tues 2nd Dec 6:00 pm Mass  
Wed 3rd Dec 11:00 am Funeral Mass for Patrick Phelan  
Fri 5th Dec 10:00 am Mass  
Sun 7th Dec 10:00 am Mass

### Mass Intentions

30th November People of the Parish, 7th December Jim and Agnes Storey

### Mass at Sacred Heart & St Cuthbert

Wed 3rd Dec 10.30 am Service of Word & Holy Communion  
Thurs 4th Dec 10.30 Mass  
Sat 6th Dec 5:pm Vigil Mass

### Mass Intentions

5th December Rodney Burge, 6th December Anne Patterson

### Ministers of the Word for Sunday 7th Dec (2nd Sunday of Advent)

Mark Bridgeman; Henry Gormally; Harold Hinchliffe

### Ministers of the Eucharist for Sunday 7th Dec

Jo Taylor; Catherine Torjussen; Christine Hammond

### Counters

1st Dec Team 5 Tony Wynn and Kevin Collins

8th December Team 6 Liz Harrison and Judith Francis

**Tea & Coffee Helpers :** Sun 7th Dec Kevin, Gerard and Noreen

## Feasts of the Week-r

Wed 3rd Dec St Francis Xavier , Sat 6th Dec St Nicholas

## Nights of Light

Thurs 4th Dec Susan & Mick Athey-thanks for Diamond Wedding Anniversary

**Refreshments served every Sunday after Mass. Everyone is welcome**

**St Paul's Church is open daily for Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament between 5pm and 6pm. Please join us even for a few minutes**

First Sunday of Advent

30th November 2025

# St Paul's Newsletter



*Welcome to St Paul's Church!*

The deadline for items for the newsletter is 9pm Wednesday,

Items to be sent to

[newsletter.stpaul.alnwick@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:newsletter.stpaul.alnwick@diocesehn.org.uk)

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## Changes to the Weekly Parish Bulletin & the Parish Website

A small team are currently working on the development of an updated and improved version of the Weekly Parish Bulletin which should be available early in the New Year. We are also working on a significant upgrade to the Parish Website which will provide an invaluable on-line resource for both existing parishioners and visitors and for those seeking to learn more about our faith.

**There will only be a single newsletter covering the festive fortnight commencing 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, jointly published with Amble Parish. Please could any items for inclusion be submitted by 9pm Friday 12th December to the usual e-mail.**

## Help Needed

With the lead up to Christmas volunteers are needed to help shine the church brass.

Anyone needing any more details please contact Jaqui Bettell or Fr Stephen

## 2026 Diaries

I can order A5 2026 diaries with beautiful works of art and spiritual insights from Fr Denis McBride, which cost £10.95. I have more details about this on a clipboard near the piety stall. If you would like a copy, please add your name to the list or email me on [pam@alnwick-eb.co.uk](mailto:pam@alnwick-eb.co.uk)

Last ordering date will be the 7<sup>th</sup> December, many thanks Pam Slater

## Gift Aid Envelopes

The envelopes for 2026/27) need to be ordered by Christmas so if you are a taxpayer and would like a box of envelopes and don't already have any could you please let me know. All you need to do is fill in a form. If you already donate via envelopes and would like to change to a standing order, could you also let me know please and your envelopes can be cancelled. You will need to fill in a form for your bank. I'll be at the back of the church with the forms and to answer any questions. Chris McElhone

## Advent Friendship Event

The Parishioners of the Sacred Heart & St Cuthbert cordially invite their friends from St Paul's Alnwick to a joint Advent Friendship Event on Thursday 11th December at 10.00 am. There will be Adoration, Advent hymns and readings with Holy Mass celebrated at 10.30 am followed by tea/coffee and mince pies in the hall afterwards. Please come and join us if you can

## Rock Choir—Music for Advent

Sunday 30th November St Paul's Church 3pm £12 per ticket cash only

## Knit and Natter

Next meeting, Thurs 11th Dec. See June Etterley for details and location.

## St Paul's Primary School Christmas Fair

This is on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec 3:15-5pm. Admission Adults £1.50, children free, it includes tea/coffee & a mince pie. Hot food is also available. Santa will be there.

## Winter Fayre Sat 13<sup>th</sup> December

There will be a sale of books and bric-a-brac in the church from 2-4pm. Any donations suitable for resale can be left at the back of Church. Tea, coffee and hot chocolate will be available. Also, please can we have donations of prizes for a tombola by Sunday the 7th December

## Re-Imaging Pastoral Councils

There are a series of Zoom meetings open to all about the future of Pastoral Councils Please book via the Diocesan Website. The next session is on the 16th December at 7 pm,.

Look for [whats-on/event/reimagining-pastoral-councils](https://www.diocese-hn.org.uk/whats-on/event/reimagining-pastoral-councils)

## Northumberland Hospitals

If you, a friend or relative are admitted to hospital, a visit/Holy Communion/ the Sacraments can be arranged by the chaplaincy team. Contact the chaplaincy via the hospital switchboard on 03448118111 and ask to be put through to the chaplaincy department. If the call is urgent, please ask the nurse to contact the Roman Catholic Priest on call.

## Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency( CSSA) and the Diocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Pam Slater 07976851470 and the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 2433305 or at [safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@diocesehn.org.uk). The diocesan policy can be found on the noticeboard in the porch or online at <https://diocesehn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Safeguarding-Policy-Dec-2023.pdf>