

## Service/Mass Times

### Mass at St Paul's, Alnwick

Mon. 8th Dec	10:00 am Mass
Tues 9th Dec	1:00 pm Memorial Service for Guy Brown 6:00 pm Mass
Wed 10th Dec	11:00 am Exposition 12 Noon Mass. Centenary of First Saturday Devotions Followed by Rosary and Refreshments
Fri 12th Dec	10:00 am Mass
Sun 14th Dec	10:00 am Mass

### Mass Intentions

7th Dec	Jim and Agnes Storey
14th .Dec	Andy Dunn, RIP

### Mass at Sacred Heart & St Cuthbert

Wed 10th Dec	10.30 am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Thurs 11th Dec	10.30 Mass preceded at 10am by Adoration, Advent Hymns and Readings
Sat 13th Dec	5:pm Vigil Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before the Saturday evening Vigil Mass or on request.

### Mass Intentions

6th December Anne Patterson

### Ministers of the Word for Sunday 14th Dec (3rd Sunday of Advent)

Agatha Ade-Lawal; Ian Atkinson; John Knight

### Ministers of the Eucharist for Sunday 14th Dec

Sandra Armstrong; John Knight; Mary Donaghey

### Counters

8th Dec	Team 6	Liz Harrison and Judith Francis
15th Dec	Team 1	Vincent and Roisin Cowley

**Tea & Coffee Helpers :** 14th December Jean and Monique

**Flower Arranger :** Flowers not required during Advent

## Feasts of the Week

**Mon 8 Dec The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Patron of the Diocese.** Sat 13. Dec St Lucy V, M

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

Second Sunday of Advent

7th December 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

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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. For more details please contact Jaqui Bettell or Fr Stephen

## Nights of Light

Sat 13th Dec Karen Robinson Anniversary Memories, RIP

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

## 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-cb.co.uk](mailto:pam@alnwick-cb.co.uk)

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

## Gift Aid Thankyou

A huge thankyou to all who support the parish via gift aid . We have received £5631.15 from the government for the tax year 24/25. Your continued support is much appreciated. Donor acknowledgement letters are available from the diocese . Should you require a copy could you please let me know via the parish office or my number is 07821698937. Many thanks 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

## New Readers' Rota for Year A

Copies of the new Readers' Rota for Year A are now available. If you haven't received a copy please see Tony Wynn at the Choir Stalls after Mass

## 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.diocesan.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@diocesahn.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@diocesahn.org.uk). The diocesan policy can be found on the noticeboard in the porch or online at <https://diocesahn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Safeguarding-Policy-Dec-2023.pdf>