

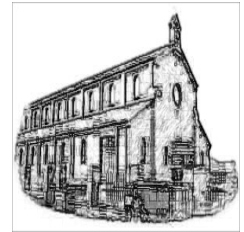


**St Bernard of Clairvaux Mission of Parishes:  
Our Lady and St Benedict & St George and St Martin**

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**Solemnity of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**November 8th and 9th 2025**

**Psalter Week 4 Year C: Year of St. Luke**



**Our Lady and St Benedict's Mass and Service Times**

**Saturday: 5.00 pm Winnie and Dennis Moran**

**Saturday 5.00 pm Joan Massey**



The annual Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy takes place on Tuesday at Midday in Holy Trinity Newcastle. (11/11)

**St George and St Martin's Mass and Service Times**

**Sunday 9.30 am Craig Underwood/  
Deceased of Both World Wars**



**Tuesday 9.15 am. Canon Power and  
Dec'd Clergy of the Parish**

**Sunday 9.30 am Terry Crowe**

**Faithful Departed:** please pray for Maureen Lea and Bob Woodward. May they rest in peace.

**Bellcote Appeal:** We need to raise £60,000 for the Bellcote and roof repairs; Please remember:

We have three envelopes you can use to donate.

***Existing users*** of offertory envelopes & S/O's who gift aid. ***Tax payers*** who wish to make a ***one off*** gift aid donation. ***Non-taxpayers*** who wish to make a donation. Please ask for guidance. Alternatively you can donate using your bank card at the terminal in Church or by scanning the QR Code above.

**Parish Merger Consultation** Thank you to all who attended the meeting regarding the proposed parish merger. There is a Draft Merger Proposal Booklet that can be collected after Mass. This will be developed over the next few months during the consultation period. Included in that booklet is a questionnaire for you to have your say.

**Johnson Associations Appeal (2nd Collection today):** The association currently supports between 60 and 70 priests of the Archdiocese. There are 59 priests over the age of 75. 65 priests aged between 65 and 75. As you can see the work of the Johnson Clergy Association is going to be vital in future years. Donations can be made in the collection, online, by standing order or via the QR Code. Can those who are able to Gift Aid their donation, please do so. Please consider leaving something in their will for the care of the clergy. The Association thanks you for your support over the years and especially for their donation this year. PS DYK: **Fr Michael Miners** has now retired as a parish priest and is very needy.

**November List of the Dead:** There are envelopes available at the back of church for all those who would like to include their deceased relatives and friends in the November List of the Dead. They will be remembered in all Masses and services during the month of November. Please put envelope in box in front of altar. If you wish to make an offering please put it in a separate envelope

**LiveSimply** We have now submitted evidence to CAFOD for our Livesimply Award. This is an opportunity for Catholic communities – parishes, schools, and chaplaincies – to answer the call for us to care for our common home and stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers. In this month of remembrance of the Holy Souls you might like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one. Please bring them with you to Mass

**Safeguarding:** The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies procedures at all times. Mel Shaw is the Safeguarding Rep for both parishes. Contact Mel on 07857973468 or [sg.sgam.stokeontrent@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.sgam.stokeontrent@rcaob.org.uk). You can contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns

**St Martin's Day** Tuesday is the Patronal Feast of St Martin of Tours. It is also Armistice Day. Come along and pray for the parish and for peace. It is also the anniversary of Canon Power's birth. May he rest in peace.

**Lateran Basilica:** Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. It is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, not the Basilica of St. Peter as many believe.