



DIOCESE OF **Hexham & Newcastle**

Diocesan Day of Prayer for the Sick and their Families, NHS front-line, Social Care Workers and other Key Workers – Thursday 14 May 2020

Bishop Byrne will celebrate Mass for the sick and their families and for NHS front-line and social care workers at 7.00pm on 14 May in St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle upon Tyne. The Bishop has also made 14 May a Diocesan Day of Prayer for the sick and their families, and all who support them.

Diocesan Day of Prayer - Programme of Events:

Links to our stream will follow in due course.

10.00am - Morning Prayer:

The 'Divine Office' is a beautiful and ancient traditional prayer for the whole people of God to say together. Live streamed from St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle at <https://bit.ly/StMarysCathedral>

11.00am - Lectio Divina:

Lectio Divina is a way of praying with Scriptures. The Word becomes a lens so that people can find the presence of God more readily in daily life. Canon Chris Jackson leads us in Lectio Divina at <https://bit.ly/LectDiv>.

12.00pm - Holy Mass:

Join together as a Diocesan family with the clergy of St. Mary's Cathedral as they celebrate Holy Mass on our day of prayer. Live streamed from St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle at <https://bit.ly/StMarysCathedral>

1.00pm - Intercessory Prayer:

An opportunity to join our hearts and minds with others and together pray for those in need. Submit your prayers prior to the session via <https://bit.ly/IntPray>.

2.00pm - Children leading prayers:

St. Cuthbert's RC primary school North Shields and St. Matthews RC primary school Prudhoe will lead us in prayer at <https://bit.ly/DOPCLP>.

3.00pm - Visio Divina:

This form of prayer is linked to Lectio Divina but instead of reading the Word of God, images are used to allow God to speak to us in a deeper way. Exclusive to our Diocese is the Visio Divina produced by Sr. Michael, Sister of Mercy, Sunderland at <https://bit.ly/VisDiv>. To open accompanying resource, [click here](#).

4.00pm - Love chooses you!

This time of prayer, led by our Youth Ministry Team, will support you to examine how God is with you, choosing you, in this time' at <https://bit.ly/DOPYMT>.

5.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Here we place ourselves before Christ in this beautiful, intimate way, knowing that Christ remains present. Live streamed from St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle at <https://bit.ly/StMarysCathedral>

6.00pm - The Rosary:

Meditating on the great mysteries of our faith, we pray for Mary's intercession for all those affected by this pandemic. Live streamed from St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle at <https://bit.ly/StMarysCathedral>

7.00pm - Holy Mass:

In this Holy Mass, we are invited to join Bishop Byrne in praying for the sick and their families, and all who in the NHS and other services give themselves tirelessly for the sake of the communities which they serve. Live streamed from St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle at <https://bit.ly/StMarysCathedral>

Further information including liturgical and prayer resources will be made available on the Diocesan website in the near future at <http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/index.php>.

#DayOfPrayerDHN

Resources:

1. Prayer in a time of a pandemic [PDF](#)
2. Visio Divina [PDF](#)
3. The Angelus [VIDEO](#)
4. 'I Confess' [VIDEO](#)
5. 'Our father' [VIDEO](#)
6. Year of the Word - [VIEW](#)