

Whilst the church may close the memories both happy and sad remain. We move forward in our journey of faith as Our Lady of the Rosary in Peterlee and Horden.



Light Refreshments will be served after Mass all are welcome.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

HORDEN

CLOSING MASS

27TH NOVEMBER 2024



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Priests

Fr Alfred Watson 1921 -1955

Fr Edward Scallon 1955-1965

Fr Dominic Carey 1965-2003

Fr Kevin Gallagher 2003-2010

Fr John Masshedar 2010-2015

Fr Ian Jackson 2015-2016

Fr Sean Neylan 2016-Present Day

Priests from the Parish

Fr McQuillan, Fr Cushlow, Fr J Timney, Fr B Russell,

Fr I Patterson, Canon M McCoy, Fr D Russell

Horden was originally part of Easington Parish with Easington priests looking after Horden until 1921. Mass was said in the Junior School, South Terrace from 1914. Fr Thomas McManemy a curate at Easington was appointed as Priest in Charge on 27th March, 1919.



In 1921 Horden was established as the new parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea and on 4th March 1921 Fr Alfred Watson was appointed as the Parish Priest with Mass continuing to be said in the Junior School until 1925. The Presbytery and Church were built in 1925. The church was opened on the 9th of December 1925. Due to structural problems the church was demolished, and the present church was built on the same site. The last Mass was said in the church on 30th January 1979, Fr Dominic Carey being the Parish Priest at the time.

Whilst the present church was being constructed Mass took place in the Catholic Club (previously the Junior School) at weekends and in the Presbytery and parishioner's homes during the week. On the 12th of June 1980 the new church was blessed and dedicated by the Rt Rev Owen Swindlehurst, Auxiliary Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle, The Church foundation stone was cut in Ireland and blessed in Knock by Pope St John Paul II in September 1979.

In 2014 the Parish of Our Lady, Easington was amalgamated with Our Lady Star of the Sea, Horden. On the 18th of July 2024 the parishes of Our Lady of the Rosary in Peterlee and Our Lady Star of the Sea in Horden were amalgamated into one parish of Our Lady of the Rosary in Peterlee and Horden. On the 1st of November Bishop Steven Wright issued a Decree that the closing Mass be celebrated on the 27th November 2024.

Daily Reading for Wednesday November 27, 2024

1st Reading - *Revelation 15:1-4*

Responsorial Psalm- *Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 7-8, 9*

Gospel, *Luke 21:12-19*

Gathering Music – Sweet Heart of Jesus

Entrance Hymn No 156 - Faith of our Fathers

Offertory Hymn No 730 – This is my Body

Communion Hymn No 72 – Be still for the Presence of the Lord

Final Hymn No 238 – Hail Queen of Heaven

