

The Parish of the Durham Martyrs
Incorporating the churches of Our Lady of Mercy
& St. Godric, St. Joseph and St. Bede

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Parish Newsletter
4th -12th May 2019
Sunday 5th May - 3rd Sunday of Easter

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Note from Fr. Colm

Apologies for the inconvenience at St. Godric's Church. The scaffolding is essential for the repair work needed. I'm sure you will appreciate that parking in the church car park is not the most beneficial during this time.

Delighted to welcome our Confirmation group into the Parish programme last Saturday. A welcome to those from St. Cuthbert's who are joining us for the programme.

Worth a read: Google - Giles Frazer on 'Christians worldwide face serious persecution.'

And worth a listen: The Age of Denial 'A Warm Winter' on BBC 4 IPlayer radio.

And a must watch is 'Ethiopian Villagers Climb Sheer Cliffs for a Baptism.' Google on BBC Natural Wonders.

Confession:

St. Godric's

Saturday: 10.30am-11.00am

St. Joseph's

Saturday: 9.30am-9.50am, 10.30am-11.00am,
4.30pm-4.55pm

Feast Days

Saturday, 4 th May	The English Martyrs
Tuesday, 7 th May	St. John of Beverley Bp

What's On

Tuesday, 7 th May	*	Food Safety Training, Jubilee Room, 10.00am-4.00pm
	*	Base Camp Group, Jubilee room, 4.30-6.30pm
	*	Liturgy Group Meeting, Don Bosco Room, 7.30-9.00pm
Wednesday, 8 th May	*	Buildings and Communities Mtg, Don Bosco, 5.30-6.30pm
	*	Frontier Youth Group, Jubilee Room, 7.00-9.00pm
Thursday, 9 th May	*	Homelessness Support Group Mtg, St. Godric's, 6.30pm
	*	Signpost Group, Jubilee Room, 7.00-9.00pm



Baptism - we welcome into our parish community Dennis Kaniki, who will be Baptised during the 9.00am Mass at St. Godric's this Sunday, 5th May.

Retiring Collection - Little Sisters of the Poor - there will be an Appeal over the weekend of 11th/12th May, and the Little Sisters are looking for volunteers to make the appeal to fellow parishioners. We would need someone for each of our three weekend Masses, and if you would like to help, please email the Little Sisters on: ms.newcastle@lsplondon.co.uk to confirm your interest. Please then let the parish secretary know as soon as possible at which Mass you will be making the Appeal.

Asylum Seekers - Please support our Diocesan Destitute Asylum Seekers' Project food collection **this weekend** - 4th and 5th May. Boxes to receive non-perishable food (especially tinned corned beef and tuna) will be on the benches at the back of Church.

Food Handling and Hygiene Training - Tuesday 7th May

This is just to remind everyone who is booked on the course that it starts at 10.30am in the Jubilee Room at St. Joseph's. Please bring a packed lunch and something to drink. There are still a couple of places available if anyone else wishes to attend.

Children's Liturgy - From Sunday 5th May, the Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass at St. Joseph's will be reducing to one group that will welcome all ages of children. We have taken this decision very reluctantly after 18 years, as we no longer have enough liturgists to run the two groups every week. We are in urgent need of new helpers for the rota so that we can continue to offer the Liturgy for children into the Summer and Autumn terms. There are lots of different ways you can help. It might be to look after one part of a session, do the room setting or tidy up or look after the resources cupboard.

Any help at all, even just once a term, is most welcome. Please speak to one of the Liturgists or let the parish secretary know you could help in some way.

Confirmation Programme - The Programme is now getting underway. If you couldn't make the first session but would like to know more or join the programme, please Contact the Parish Secretary as soon as possible. Our next session is 8th June at 3pm in the Jubilee Room.

Homelessness Support Group

The next meeting of the group will be held at St Godric's at 6.30pm on Thursday 9th May to review progress so far and plan the summer rota. Peter Thompson

St. Joseph's Readers and Ministers Rota - CORRECTION

Apologies for any inconvenience, I have missed a weekend in June when composing the most current rota. Please find below the corrected schedule for Ministers and Readers for the last two weekends in June. Thank you, Leanne

MINISTERS

Saturday 22nd June	5.00pm	M. Carter, B. Harland, M. Harland, A. McNamee, L. Coulthard
Sunday 23rd June	11.00am	D. Kelly, C. Thompson, H. Kruiniger, E. Robson, J. Thompson
Saturday 29 th June	5.00pm	K. Haswell, E. Haswell, P. Thompson, M. Fell, M. Hoban
Sunday 30 th June	11.00am	M. Dennis, S. Dennis, T. Power, K. Sims Williams, P. Conway

READERS

DATE	Saturday 5.00pm			Sunday 11.00am		
YEAR C <i>OT = Ordinary Time</i>	1 st /Psalm	2 nd Reading	Bidding Prayers	1 st /Psalm	2 nd Reading	Bidding Prayers
<u>22nd/23rd June</u> <u>Corpus Christi</u>	<u>N. Kemp</u>	<u>N. Sutton</u>	<u>E. Bridon</u>	<u>P. Russell</u>	<u>C. Dunn</u>	<u>P. Copple</u>
<u>29th/30th June</u> <u>Ss. Peter and Paul</u>	<u>M. Malyan</u>	<u>J. Pallister</u>	<u>R. Finn</u>	<u>F. Firth</u>	<u>G. Donachie</u>	<u>P. Russell</u>

Thank You

To: The Catholic Churches of The Finchale Partnership

Thank you from NEPACS - below is the text of a thank you letter:

"A huge thank you one again for all the contributions we have received for HMP Durham and HMP Low Newton. The number of men and women released from custody without any possessions is ever increasing therefore the toiletries we can provide are so appreciated by them, it is so satisfying to see their reactions when given a pack of items, it is quite humbling.

Your continued support has been amazing and as a charity we strive to improve the transition for ex-offenders from prison life to being released."

Dates for the Diary



Parish Baptism Programme

The summer session of the Baptism Programme will take place on **Monday, 3rd June** in the Jubilee Room at St. Joseph's from 6.30-9.00pm.

If you would like to have your child/children Baptised in the Parish, please contact the Parish Secretary and she will send you the necessary documentation.



St. Joseph's Gardening Morning

The next gardening morning will be on Saturday, 18th May, from 10.00am. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

From the Diocese ...

(i) Justice and Peace Mass and AGM

The Mass for Justice, Peace and the Celebration of Creation will be held on Saturday 11th May from 10.00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. The celebrant is Mgr. Andrew Faley and the Homily read by Fr. Chris Hughes. All are welcome! *See poster for details.*

Following Mass, the AGM and Day Conference will be held from 11.00am to 3.15pm at the Mercy Hub, St. Mary's Cathedral. See poster or visit the Diocesan Justice and Peace page for full details.

Please bring your own packed lunch (there is also the cathedral cafe). All welcome!

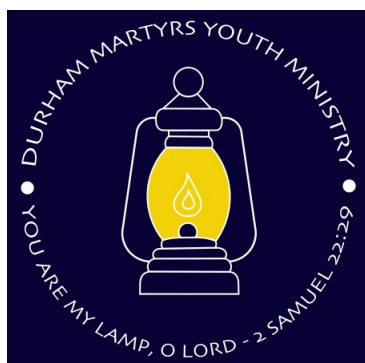
(ii) We are looking forward to welcoming Bill Huebsch back to the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle on Saturday 18th May to lead us on a day exploring 'The Mission to Accompany' at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road, Benton, Newcastle Upon Tyne from 9.45am - 3.30pm. Refreshments and lunch will be provided on the day, and we are suggesting a donation of £10.00 to help cover the costs of the day. Booking is essential by telephone: 0191 243 3302 or www.billhuebsch.eventbrite.co.uk Donations will be gratefully accepted on the day.

(iii) A service will be held in St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 19th May at 3pm - '**No Outsiders to His Love**'. It will be the culmination of Mental Health Awareness Week and draw attention to the importance of caring for and those living with mental health and emotional issues. The service will involve music, dance, reading and teaching, intended to highlight the dignity of our brothers and sisters whose mental and emotional health causes them pain and a lack of peace. *See poster.*



Celebration of Life Mass, Saturday, 8th June, 10.00am - Our annual Mass where you are invited to lay a flower in remembrance of loved ones will take place over Pentecost weekend, on Saturday, 8th June. You are also invited to join us for refreshments in the Don Bosco Room after Mass.

Everyone is welcome. *Bereavement Support Group.*



DURHAM MARTYRS' YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry Co-ordinator - Katie Flood

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What?	When?	Time	
Base Camp	Tuesday, 7 th May	4.30-6.30pm	£1.50 entry Includes a meal
Signpost	Thursday, 9 th May	5.00-7.00pm	
Frontier	Wednesday, 8 th May	7.00-9.00pm	

Matt Maher Concert -Wednesday 29th May

If you have signed up to go on the Matt Maher Concert trip, it would be very helpful if you could pay the trip cost of £20 to Marjorie in the office or myself at Mass/during the week as soon as possible. The £20 cost includes a ticket to the concert, return train ticket to Newcastle and a meal (not including drinks). We will be departing Durham Train station at 4pm and should return for between 9:30 and 10pm.

Walsingham Festival

The super early bird tickets are now on sale for the summer festival and obviously we want to get them asap! The Walsingham Festival will run from Thursday 22nd - Tuesday 26th August. A coach will be leaving from various pick up points in the north east. The Festival is a wonderful weekend of faith, music, friendship and is a great opportunity to try something new.

Although the main focus is on those between 16-35 yrs there is something at the Walsingham Summer Festival for everyone. If you are over 35yrs you would be a 'volunteer' and are asked to contribute in some way over the weekend (this could be helping in the kitchen for an hour or so each day, being a meeter and greeter or ushering for the Masses etc.) This year there will also be special workshops targeting 14-17yrs olds (or soon to be Yr 10's, 11's and 12's etc)

Prices include all food throughout the weekend. Accommodation is camping and you must provide your own tent however, if you do not own a tent or cannot get hold of one, church will be able to help with this. Super Early Bird Prices are as follows (if anyone has any issues regarding payment please drop me an email or come and see me after Masses this weekend):

Adult - £95 + Coach cost £30 = £125

Student - £75 + Coach cost £30 = £105

Child (14-17 yrs) - £50 + Coach cost £30 = £80

Letters will be available after all Masses this weekend and anyone who wishes to attend the festival must return the slip and a £30 no refundable deposit before **Sunday 12th May**.

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**Exposition at St. Godric's Monday - Saturday afternoons from
2.00pm-3.00pm**

	St Bede's/St Godric's School	St Godric's	St Joseph's
Saturday 4 May		10.00am	10.00am Mary Morgan 5.00pm Pauline Inglis
Sunday 5 May		9.00am Gloria Hughes 3.00pm Exposition	11.00am Carol Ann Dunn and Clare Power
Monday 6 May	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 7 May	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am	6.30pm - Exposition 7.00pm - Douglas Segura, Carlo Errico, Julio Rendon, Maria Jose Carrillo
Wednesday 8 May	9.15am Mary Craig	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Thursday 9 May	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.30am Exposition 10.00am	9.15am Vocations to the Priesthood
Friday 10 May	9.15am Peter and Catherine McLoughlin	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Saturday 11 May		10.00am	10.00am Deceased Priests of the Diocese 5.00pm Vigil David Adams and Wilfred and Margaret Brennan
Sunday 12 May		9.00am George Humble (Anniversary) and Noel McDonald	11.00am Philip Hunter (Birthday Remembrance)

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 5	Mon 6	Tue 7	Wed 8	Thurs 9	Fri 10	Sat 11	Sun 12
10.00am and 6.30pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm