

*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 - 5<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October - 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

**Priest:**  
**Parish Secretary**

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Please join us this Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October and see all the information which has been gathered together about the history of the three churches which make up our parish.



## Confession:

St. Godric's

Saturday: 10.30am-11.00am

St. Joseph's

Saturday: 9.15am-9.45am and 4.15pm-4.45pm

## Feast Days

Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Our Lady of the Rosary
Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Bl. John Henry Newman P; St. Denis Bp & Companions MM; St. John Leonardi P
Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> October	St. Paulinus of York Bp
Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> October	St. John XXIII Pp
Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October	St. Wilfrid Bp

## What's On

Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> October		Baptism Programme, Jubilee Room, 6.30-9.00pm
Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> October		Memory Café, Jubilee Room, 1.00-3.00pm
Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	*	Wednesday Lunch, 12.00-1.00pm, St. Joseph's
	*	Frontier Group, Jubilee Room, 7.00-9.00pm
Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> October	*	Homelessness Support Group Mtg, Don Bosco, 7pm
	*	The Garden 18-35 Prayer Group, Jubilee Rm, 7pm



### Confirmation Updates - Preparing for Confirmation

We have 17 young people preparing for Confirmation this year. Please keep them in your prayers over the next few weeks. The rescheduled service of Reconciliation with confession for Confirmation candidates and their families will now take place on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm at St Cuthbert's Church**. Candidates are reminded that they need to arrange their Confirmation sponsor and bring their name along to the next preparation meeting on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm.

**Asylum Seekers** - our monthly collection of food will take place **this weekend**, 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> October.

**Finchale Partnership open afternoons:** The last of this year's series of open afternoons is this Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October, from 2.00 - 4.00pm, here at St. Joseph's. We are looking forward to welcoming visitors from across the partnership to look around, chat over refreshments, and learn a little about the parish. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Exposition at St. Godric's** - please note there **will not be** Exposition at St. Godric's this Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October, owing to the Open Afternoon at St. Joseph's.



**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY - Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> October-** please return your donating envelopes this weekend, 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> October.

**Homelessness Sunday** - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October is designated as Homelessness Sunday. In recognition of this we will pray especially that day for homeless people and for those who work to provide them with shelter, food and friendship. There will be a retiring collection after each Mass to aid the work of our parish homelessness support team who are working in partnership with Sanctuary 21 (Salvation Army).



**St. Joseph's Gardening Morning** - there will be an autumn tidying up of the grounds on 19<sup>th</sup> October, from 10.00am-12.00pm. Please join us if you would like to help.

**Durham Martyrs Walking Group - Next Walk - Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 - 'An Elephant Safari in Newcastle'** - Approx 7.5 miles

This month's walk is the route planned for September which was postponed due to adverse weather and walking wounded!! We will meet at Durham Railway Station to get the 10.17 train to Newcastle .to follow part of the 'Elmer trail' in support of St. Oswald's Hospice.

The trail will take us from the station to St. Nicholas Cathedral and then to the Quayside. From there we will proceed to Ouseburn, Heaton Park and Jesmond Dene and then return to the city centre. At each point along the way you will have the opportunity to see beautifully decorated sponsored elephant sculptures. Participants are encouraged to make a minimum donation of £2 which will cover the cost of your safari pack and a donation to the hospice.

This walk is suitable for children and young people between 10 - 100!. If you plan to do this walk, please contact the Parish Office and let Marjorie know.



St Vincent  
de Paul Society  
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Turning Concern into Action

**SVP in the Northern Cross** - there is an eight page supplement in this month's edition of the Northern Cross which highlights the work of the SVP in our Diocese.

**MISSIO RED BOXES ST. JOSEPH'S** - Pope Francis has declared October to be an Extraordinary Month of Mission, will you please make a special effort to bring your boxes to any weekend Mass, or leave a donation. Old style £1 coins, £5 and £10 notes are still valid for charities to pay into the bank. If necessary please call Alison or John Balmer on 0191 3665372 to have your money collected. Many thanks for your contributions.



(i) **Friends of St. Leonard's Autumn Term Ceilidh**

**Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00-10.30pm, Bowburn Community Centre**

Tickets £5 (admission free for children under 7) - available from the school. Phone: 384 8575 or email [admin@st-leonards.durham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-leonards.durham.sch.uk)

*See poster.*

(ii) **Fish and Chip outing to South Shields**

**Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October.** There is a list at the back of church to sign, or contact Margaret White (3869437), or Marjorie. All are welcome.

(iii) **Film and Tea Afternoon**

**Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October**, in the Jubilee Room, 1.30-3.30pm. We would love to see you. Please contact Helen on 384 5843 if you would like a lift.

(iv) **Working with refugees in the Eastern Mediterranean**

An illustrated fundraising talk by Shirley Mansfield at

St. Joseph's, Gilesgate, Durham, on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October** at 7.30pm.

*See poster*



**Memorial Sunday** - our annual Memorial Sunday Mass will take place on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November** at St. Joseph's at 3.00pm. All parishioners who have been bereaved during the year November 2018-November 2019 have received a personal invitation from Fr. Colm to come along and light a candle in remembrance of their loved ones. Fr. Colm will light three larger candles (one for each Mass centre) which represent the deceased members of our parish and our families and friends. These will remain on the altar and be lit at every Mass until they are burnt out.

Please come along to the Mass, and join us for seasonal refreshments in the Don Bosco Room afterwards. Everyone welcome.

**RUSSIAN CHOIR CONCERT**

**WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 7.00PM 2019 ST GODRIC'S CHURCH**

Tickets go on sale next weekend 12/13 October - £10/free for unwaged

As last year we also are asking for help with accommodation for the members of the choir on the evening of the 20<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help in this regard please let me or Marjorie know. *Joe Hughes*

**Durham Book Festival** - You are invited to two unmissable Durham Book Festival author events, hosted by Sacristy Press (Durham's only mainstream publisher) at Durham Cathedral. Tickets are selling fast, so book now to avoid disappointment!

**The Legend of Cuthbert: from hagiography to historical fiction**  
**Tuesday 8 October 2019 at 7.00pm - Prior's Hall, Durham Cathedral** - Cuthbert, an Anglo-Saxon warrior turned saint, was dragged out of solitude on Inner Farne to become the most powerful church leader in the land. Novelist Katharine Tiernan, author of bestseller [\*Cuthbert of Farne\*](#), offers new and intriguing insights into the man behind the legend. She reveals her research into the turbulent times in which Cuthbert lived, and the role of historical fiction in illuminating our understanding of his life.

**Queen Victoria's Archbishops -Thursday 10 October 2019 at 7.00pm - Prior's Hall, Durham Cathedral** - Discover the political and ecclesiastical controversies of the nineteenth century through the eyes of Queen Victoria's six Archbishops of Canterbury. Personal scandal and tragedy abound, with death, personal scandal, and political bust-ups. Michael Chandler, author of [\*Queen Victoria's Archbishops of Canterbury\*](#) and former Dean of Ely, takes us on a whistle-stop tour of these intriguing men and their extraordinary families.

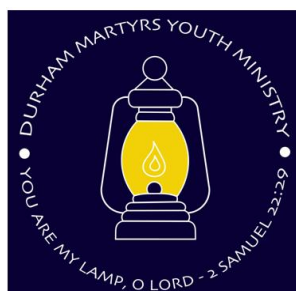


Tickets are £5 (£4 for students and concessions) from the cathedral box office (0191 338 7178, at the visitor desk or online). For more information and online ticket booking, visit <https://www.sacristy.co.uk/blog/2019/durham-book-festival>. All proceeds from ticket sales go to Durham Cathedral.

### Centre for Catholic Studies Events

**Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October:** *On Salvation as Health and Well-Being*. Catholic Theology Research Seminar by Canon Prof. Simon Oliver. 5pm in Pemberton Lecture Room PG20, Palace Green, Durham.

**Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October:** *Translating Religion: Devotion and Piety From Europe to the Anglophone World in the Nineteenth Century*. Ushaw Lecture by Dr Anne O'Connor. 5.30pm drinks for 6pm lecture at Ushaw. For further information and registration, please go to: <https://centreforcatholicstudies.eventbrite.com>



### DURHAM MARTYRS' YOUTH MINISTRY

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Thanks to all who joined us for the Source on Wednesday evening, it was a great evening with some wonderful insights from married couple Emerald O'Hanaran (Emma Grundy from 'The Archers') and Martin Delaney (The Bill, Casualty and Catch 22). We welcomed some new faces from St Leonards and are already looking forward to the next Source on the 4<sup>th</sup> December!



Our new programme of events will begin in October and the dates are as follows:

**The Garden** - A prayer group for those aged between 18 and 35 years including a shared meal. We will meet in the Jubilee Room at St Joseph's, Gilesgate and the group will run from 7 - 9pm.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

We look forward to seeing you there!



**Signpost** - A youth event for pupils in School Year 5 and above including a shared meal. Younger children, accompanied by parents, are also welcome. There will be music, activities and guest speakers. We will meet in the Jubilee Room at St Joseph's, Gilesgate and the group will run from 5:30pm - 8pm

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Anyone wishing to help with this event please get in touch.



**Film Night** - We are starting a monthly film night where parishioners are invited to come along and watch a film followed by a time of discussion.

The films will be shown in the Jubilee Room at St Joseph's, Gilesgate and will be held on the following dates:

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

In order to be able to watch the film and have a discussion time the film's nights will run from 6pm - 9pm (with an early finish for shorter films). We would love to provide food as part of the evening so. If you would be willing to cook/contribute to a shared meal please do get in touch.



As we all continue on through the Autumn term, please keep all our young people in your prayers.

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**Exposition at St. Godric's Monday - Saturday afternoons from 2.00pm-3.00pm and on Sundays, from 3.00-4.00pm**

	St Bede's/St Godric's School	St Godric's	St Joseph's
Saturday 5 October		10.00am Special Intention (BF)	10.00am Walter Patterson 5.00pm
Sunday 6 October		9.00am Rose Carr (Anniversary) 3.00-4.00pm <b>NO EXPOSITION TODAY</b>	11.00am Joe Lane (Anniversary)
Monday 7 October	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 8 October	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am	6.30pm - Exposition 7.00pm Kathleen Abbey
Wednesday 9 October	9.15am Special Intention (BF)	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Thursday 10 October	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.30am Exposition 10.00am Special Intention (BF)	9.15am Special Intention
Friday 11 October	9.15am Peter and Catherine McLoughlin	10.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.15am - Service of Word & Holy Communion 11.00am - Funeral Service of Billy Lee
Saturday 12 October		10.00am	10.00am Vocations to the Priesthood 5.00pm Vigil David Adams and Edith Ryan
Sunday 13 October		9.00am John Moran and Aileen Oliver 3.00-4.00pm Exposition	11.00am The Finn and Harrison Families

**St. Cuthbert's**

Sun 6	Mon 7	Tue 8	Wed 9	Thurs 10	Fri 11	Sat 12	Sun 13
10.00am and 6.30pm	NO MASS	9.15am	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm