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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Now that we are settling into a very unsettling new year, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your cards and gifts for Christmas. I am deeply grateful.

As you know, I sadly lost my pal Ellie on Christmas Eve. She was a special gift when tied to the gate of St. Godric's over six years ago. I think one feels a special bond to an animal particularly when circumstances are the beginning of that story. It was very touching also to read the many messages of sympathy on Facebook and parish website.

Please be very careful in the present very threatening Covid climate. I ask those with underlying health conditions to think twice before venturing out to church.

Feast Days

Monday, 11 th January	St. Aelred of Rievalux Ab	
Tuesday, 12 th January	St. Benet Biscop Ab	
Wednesday, 13 th January	St. Hilary Bp, D	

Parish Buildings

The Parish Office, Presbyteries and all meeting rooms continue to be officially closed to all visitors and the parish secretary can be contacted by email - secretary.stjandstg@btconnect.com and mobile on all parish matters. The number is 07391 529 827.



Sympathy - we extend our sympathy to the families and friends of the following deceased parishioners:

- the late Terence Robson. His Funeral Service will take place at St. Joseph's on Friday, 15th January at 10.30am, followed by burial in South Road Cemetery.
- the late Audrie Walsh, whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Godric's on Tuesday, 19th January at 10.30am, followed by cremation in Durham.
- the late Eileen Ingleby, whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Joseph's on Friday, 22nd January at 11.00am followed by cremation in Durham.

Please do not try to attend any of the above if you have not been invited by the family, as restrictions still apply.

Prayers - please keep in your prayers:

Sheila Owens	Nellie Stoker
John Copple	Sheila Wressell
Tom Oliver	Margaret Madden
Betty McGurk	Margaret Nancarrow

Anniversaries

Rafete Meqa	Doreen Haggerty		
Nancy Edgerton	Peter Barry		



Baptism - with the agreement of the families concerned, parish Baptisms have been postponed until after lockdown, and the situation will be reviewed again at that time.

Northern Catholic Calendar and Ordo - We have a greatly reduced number of Northern Catholic Calendars and a few copies of the Ordo available for £3 and £5 respectively. They can't be left at the back of church but if anyone wants a copy please let Marjorie know.

From the Diocese - two new online courses

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

The Diocesan Faith & Mission Vicariate (Liturgy) are inviting leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word across the diocese to the next online meeting about ways to offer support and guidance for delivering CLOW online. They are also registering people into the next cohort of the Called & Gifted programme, which begins in February, where you can share thoughts and ideas with a network of CLOW Leaders from across the Diocese. To register, please email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

Called and Gifted

Are you ready to discern your gifts? If you are wondering how to fulfil the mission God has for you, you might find that gifts discernment can help you to decide what to do next.

To apply for a place on this new programme - which starts on Wednesday, 24th February - please email <u>adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk</u> The booking deadline is Friday, 19th February. For more information, visit https://siena.org/charisms-faq

Holocaust Memorial Day 2021:

'Be a light in the darkness' is the theme for 2021's Holocaust Memorial Commemoration.

As we are unable to hold our commemorations in our two host schools, St. Mary's, Newcastle and St. Michael's, Billingham the department is currently putting together an online commemoration, which should be available to view from Monday 25 January. This online event will feature contributions from both schools as well as a witness testimony provided by cellist Anita Lasker Wallfisch, recalling her memories of playing in the Auschwitz Orchestra. Her grandson Simon, a cellist and tenor has also provided us with a recording of 'Kaddish', the Jewish memorial prayer. More information on how to access this commemoration will be posted on the diocesan website shortly.



	St Godric's	St Joseph's			
Saturday 9 January	10.00am NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	5.00pm Vigil Mass Pauline Inglis			
Sunday 10 January	9.00am MASS CANCELLED	11.00am MASS CANCELLED			
Monday 11 January	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Tuesday 12 January	10.00am MASS CANCELLED	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Wednesday 13 January	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	10.00am MASS CANCELLED			
Thursday 14 January	10.00am MASS CANCELLED	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Friday 15 January	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	10.30am Funeral Service of Terence Robson (By invitation only)			
Saturday 16 January	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	5.00pm Vigil Mass MASS CANCELLED			
Sunday 17 January	9.00am MASS CANCELLED	11.00am MASS CANCELLED			

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 10	Mon 11	Tue 12	Wed 13	Thurs 14	Fri 15	Sat 16	Sun 17
10.00am and 6.30pm (Pre booked attendance only)	No Mass	12.15pm	7.00pm	10.00am Requiem Mass (by invitation only)	7.00pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm (Pre booked attendance only)