

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
27th April - 5th May 2019
Sunday 28th April - 2nd Sunday of Easter

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Note from Fr. Colm

I hope you have all had a lovely break at Easter. What a wonderful celebration we have had in the parish, from the mini Triduum to last Sunday's Mass. Well done to our young people for their efforts with an overnight vigil on Holy Thursday into Good Friday morning. This was a very powerful statement of that quiet waiting on the Lord which is essential for our faith - and parish.

Whilst our numbers were down for the Easter Vigil, the 10.00am Easter Sunday Mass was a wonderful large gathering in numbers especially of young families. How poignant that we gathered in such numbers when devastation was imposed on so many families in Sri Lanka. Our thoughts and prayers were very much with our fellow Christians.

Can I thank all who put in so much time and effort by way of preparation for Easter. The list is very long. Many hours of hard, selfless work. And a personal thank you for Easter gifts.

I hope you had an opportunity to watch Pilgrimage: the Road to Rome. All three programmes had quality and depth.

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

Monday, 29 th April	St. Catherine of Siena V, D
Tuesday, 30 th April	St. George, Patron of England (transferred from Easter Week)
Wednesday, 1 st May	St. Joseph the Worker
Thursday, 2 nd May	St. Athanasius Bp, D
Friday, 3 rd May	Ss. Philip and James, Apostles
Saturday, 4 th May	The English Martyrs

What's On

Saturday, 27 th April	Confirmation Session 1, Jubilee Room, 3.00-5.00pm
Wednesday, 1 st May	Ladies Circle, Don Bosco, 1.30pm
Thursday, 2 nd May	Coffee Morning, St. Godric's, after 10.00am Mass



Friday Soup Lunches

The Friday soup lunches will re-commence on Friday 3rd May .

Thank you - The Inclusive Church soup lunch on 12th April raised £90. Thank you for your continued generosity.



Confirmation Programme 2019

We are holding our first session on 27th April, 3-5pm in the Jubilee Room at St. Joseph's. All are very welcome to find out more about Confirmation.

Special Collections

(i) This **Sunday, 28th April**, there will be a collection for **NBF** (Sick and Retired Priests) but this collection is not eligible for Diocesan Gift Aid. If you wish to donate, please look for and use any charity envelopes provided by NBF.

(ii) **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@lslplondon.co.uk to confirm your interest. Please then let the parish secretary know at which Mass you will be making the Appeal.

Fundraising - Our next coffee morning to be held in St. Bede's Room in St. Godric's School after Mass at 9.15 will be on **Friday 3rd May**. All proceeds will go to Women In Need in India. All are very welcome.

Finchale Partnership open afternoons: The first one will be at Ss. Joseph, Patrick and Cuthbert, Coxhoe on the afternoon of Sunday, 5th May. Please see the poster on the Partnership noticeboard for more details, and put your name on the list which is on the notice-board if you would like a lift.

*Thank
You*

A huge **THANK-YOU** from the Liturgy Group to all who contributed in ANY way to our Lenten journey and Easter Celebrations. We are blessed with a truly remarkable range of different talents across this Parish and the generosity with which every-one shared them made for a wonderful sense of community. Thank you all for your time and efforts, the Liturgy Group.

St. Joseph's Cleaning Rota

The new rota has been sent to the St. Joseph's cleaning teams. If you have not yet received your copy, please contact Joanna.

Homelessness Support Group

Thank you to all the people who have responded so quickly and generously to the appeal for clothing for homeless people. The response has been amazing and we now have sufficient stock for the present time.

There is an ongoing need for men's toiletries and deodorant. If you have any items which you are able to donate, please leave them in the box at the back of either of our churches.

Thank you also to the volunteers who have served at Sanctuary 21 during the students Easter break. A further meeting of the support group will be held very soon and details will be published in the bulletin. Peter Thompson.

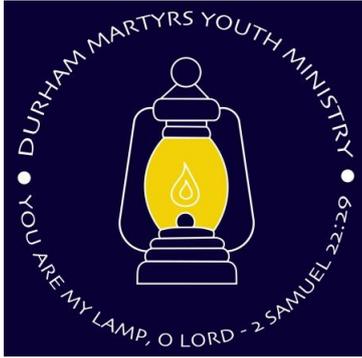
Durham Churches Together - You are invited to the Durham Churches Together AGM in St. Cuthbert's RC Church, Old Elvet, on Friday 3rd May at 7.30pm where Canon Charlie Allen of Durham Cathedral will talk about the Ecumenical Durham 2020 Pilgrimage which celebrates our Northern Saints.

Asylum Seekers - Please support our Diocesan Destitute Asylum Seekers' Project food collection **next 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.

Ushaw Lecture - Tuesday 30th April: *Jacques Maritain, Democratic Crisis, and the Promise and Peril of a Global Catholic History*. Details and registration available via <https://centreforcatholicstudies.eventbrite.com> or 0191 334 1656. All welcome.



DURHAM MARTYRS' YOUTH MINISTRY

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What?	When?	Time	
Base Camp	Tuesday, 7 th May		£1.50 entry Includes a meal
Signpost	Thursday, 9 th May		
Frontier	Wednesday, 8 th May		

Welcome back!! We hope you have all had a restful and blessed Easter break.

All three youth groups will start back on the week beginning 6th May.

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**.

Maundy Thursday Pilgrimage Walk and Overnight Vigil - A huge thank you to the parishioners and young people who took part in the Walk and overnight vigil on Maundy Thursday. We had a wonderful time and spending time with the Lord through the night was really very special. The witness and prayers that we shared were a wonderful precursor to the incredible time that is Easter!!



9pm DIVINE PR
 9pm LECTIO DIVINA
 11pm PRAISE + WORSHIP
 12pm ROSARY
 1am LECTIO DIVINA
 2am PRAISE + WORSHIP
 3am DIVINE PRAISES
 4am LECTIO DIVINA
 5am PRAISE + WORSHIP



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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 27 April		10.00am	10.00am Rita Stephenson 5.00pm Elizabeth Birney
Sunday 28 April		9.00am John Villis 3.00pm Exposition	11.00am Nancy Christopher and Edward Slowikowski
Monday 29 April	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 30 April	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	10.00am	6.30pm - Exposition 7.00pm - Kathleen Lee, Margaret McGarry, Gwen Trump and Jack Schudel
Wednesday 1 May	9.15am Belle Blakey	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Thursday 2 May	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion	9.30am Exposition 10.00am	9.15am Special Intention (I and B R)
Friday 3 May	9.15am Belle Blakey	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word & Holy Communion
Saturday 4 May		10.00am	10.00am Mary Morgan 5.00pm Vigil Pauline Inglis
Sunday 5 May		9.00am Gloria Hughes	11.00am Carol Ann Dunn and Clare Power

St. Cuthbert's

May

Sun 28	Mon 29	Tue 30	Wed 01	Thurs 2	Fri 3	Sat 4	Sun 5
10.00am and 6.30pm	No Mass	No Mass	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm