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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A quiet week. Good to meet the other clergy of the Diocese. All doing their best to build the Kingdom of God. None of us perfect, yet a sense of humour and joy in their own ministry prevailed.

This all came about via the ever present Zoom. The priests of the Diocese normally gather this week for their annual retreat, but because of the changes to everything that we considered normal, this, unfortunately, could not happen this year. Instead, we, the clergy, participated in a Zoom Retreat.

The director was Fr. Kevin, a Benedictine from Ampleforth. Fr Kevin observed that while Zooming had great limitations, it did allow us the intimacy of being welcomed into each other's homes. Of course, it also allowed daily Mass to be said in our respective parishes.

Numbers continue to increase for weekend and weekday Masses. Full churches for the Feast of the Ascension, which are wonderful signs that we all want to worship physically together again.

Feast Days

Tuesday, 18 th May	St. John 1 Pp, M
Wednesday, 19th May	St. Dunstan Bp
Thursday, 20th May	St. Bernadine of Sienna P
Friday, 21st May	St. Godric of Finchale, Rel/St. Christopher Magallenes
	and Companions MM
Saturday, 22 nd May	St. Rita of Cascia Rel
Sunday 23 rd May	Pentecost Sunday

Parish Contact

The parish secretary can be contacted by email – <u>secretary.stjandstg@btconnect.com</u> and mobile on all parish matters. The number is 07391 529 827. Please do not ring the parish

landline as the office is not manned at present.



Sympathy – we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the late Bob Wilson. Funeral arrangements have not been confirmed at this time.

... and also to Mary Rantso on the loss of her mother, Agnes.

Prayers – please keep in your prayers:



Sheila Patterson	Rory MacArthur
Kathleen Garbutt	Meg Dixon
Tom Wilkinson	Kevin Crilley

Anniversaries

Joyce Hook	Stephen Dawson			

Booking in for Weekend Masses

Please continue to book in for our three weekend Masses as we are still restricted to 44 and 59 places at St. Godric's and St. Joseph's respectively. Also, it would be of great help, if you are acting as a Minister, that you book in too, as you still need to be counted as an attendee for our weekly statistics. The deadline for booking in is 2.00pm on Friday afternoon.



Parish Bulletin

Following the decision to no longer distribute the bi-weekly packs, it has been decided that we will print the bulletin each week with effect from this weekend, 15th/16th May. These will be available at St. Joseph's and St. Godric's as you come into Mass. Please take a

copy home with you. If you know someone who isn't online and would appreciate a copy, please take one for them too. It will also still be available on the parish website and emailed out to those people who wish to receive it online.

If you wish to have a copy emailed to you each week, please contact Marjorie.

SUPPORT FUND

Once again, we would like to thank parishioners for their generosity to the Parish Support Fund. The positive response means that the fund is in a healthy position and we are no longer seeking further donations. If this situation changes, we will review the way forward.

Job Vacancies

St. Joseph's School

St. Joseph's School are seeking to recruit a full-time teacher to cover maternity leave, from September 2021. For further details please telephone school on 0191 3865611 or email stjosephgilesgate@durhamlearning.net

St. Thomas More School

St. Thomas More School are seeking to recruit a part time, (0.4 FTE,) teacher for one year from September 2021. for further details please telephone the school on 0191 3864761 or email stthomasmore@durhamlearning.net



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Results – May 2021

1 st (£50)	No. 46			
Mrs. Sally Lynch	Sacred Heart & St. Cuthbert, Amble			
2 nd (£25)	No. 129			
Collette Lamb	St. Mary's, Bishop Auckland			



Change of Mass Time Next Week

St. Joseph's Friday, 21st May – 9.00am

Events at Ushaw

Sounds on the Bounds: On Saturday 22nd May, from 12 noon and through the afternoon, Ushaw will be welcoming twenty local talented performers to mark the official launch of their new music programme. On Saturday afternoons, Ushaw will be hosting a range of live music - 18 live shows across the Summer season. There will be a bar and food available on the Bounds field as well as Ushaw's own cafe and facilities. Access to the event is included in the cost of an Annual Pass or Day Pass. For further information on this and all events at Ushaw please ring 3738500 or email: meet@ushaw.org

Laudato Si Week begins 16-24 May

"The weeklong event will celebrate the great progress the global Church has made in its

ecological conversion journey during the past six years and offer a clear road map for the decade ahead. We know that much remains to be done, but we rejoice and celebrate the steps we have taken so far, and we look to the future with hope. "

A brilliant selection of global workshops, trainings, and events, all live streamed via Global Catholic Climate Movement and here are links to resources:

View the complete Laudato Si' Week 2021 schedule and sign up for updates here (https://journeyto2030.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d39e8f0b3153c40887be1851b&id=08db077006&e=bff386039b).

Or for individual/group prayer (https://journeyto2030.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d39e8f0b3153c40887be1851b&id=201e06c9f1&e=bff386039b).

A Global Healing course was organised by Laudato Si' Animators in the UK to run during Lent in 2021. It was very well attended by over 900 individuals with the following feedback gathered (<u>read here</u>). Additionally, a useful Toolkit has also been created bringing together handouts and resources from the course that can be used (access here).

You can read more about Laudato Si' and Global Healing here.



	St Godric's	St Joseph's			
Saturday 15 May	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	5.00pm Vigil Mass Liam Hayden			
Sunday 16 May	9.00am Lucy Hunt	11.00am Past and present members of the Ladies Circle			
Monday 17 May	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Tuesday 18 May	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am Frank and Bernard McGoay	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Wednesday 19 May	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am Liam Hayden			
Thursday 20 May	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am George and Susannah Michiels	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER			
Friday 21 May	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	9.00am Sally Barrett			
Saturday 22 May	NO MASS OR PRIVATE PRAYER	5.00pm Vigil Mass Living and deceased members of the Hunter and Equi Families			
Sunday 23 May	9.00am Liam Hayden	11.00am Jack Wressell			

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 16	Mon 17	Tue 18	Wed 19	Thurs 20	Fri 21	Sat 22	Sun 23
10.00am and 6.30pm (Pre booked attendance only)	No Mass	12.15pm	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm (Pre booked attendance only)