

*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 21<sup>st</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

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**Note from Fr. Colm**

A new and very exciting challenge for us now with the appointment of Katie Flood as our new Youth Worker in the parish of the Durham Martyrs. Katie is a vibrant person of deep Faith and intelligence. She is so enthusiastic about this new role. We welcome and embrace her into the Body of our Community. Welcome Katie.

What a wonderful Mass in Durham Cathedral last Thursday evening to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Centre for Catholic Studies. The first Mass since the Reformation. Our gratitude to the Cathedral Staff, especially the Reverend Canon Simon Oliver.

## Confessions:

St. Godric's Saturday: 10.30am-11.00am  
St. Joseph's Saturday: 9.30am-9.50am, 10.30am-11.00am,  
4.45pm-5.15pm

## Feast Days

Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	St. George, Patron of England
Tuesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> April	St. Adalbert Bp, M and St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen P, M
Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April	St. Mark, Evangelist
Saturday, 28 <sup>th</sup> April	St. Peter Chanel P, M and St. Louis Grignon de Montfort P

## What's On

Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April	* * *	Wednesday Lunch Club, 12.00-1.00pm, Jubilee Room, Followed by a Film and Tea Afternoon SVP District Council Meeting, 7-9pm, Jubilee Room
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Sympathy - we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the late Margaret Gibbon, whose Funeral Service will take place at St. Joseph's on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00 noon, followed by cremation in Durham.

- and also to the family and friends of the late Elizabeth McDine, whose Funeral Service will take place at Durham Crematorium on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am.  
*Requiescant in pace.*

**Baptism** - we welcome into our parish community Lennox Dominic Thompson, who will be Baptised after the 11.00am Mass at St. Joseph's, this Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

**Second Collection** - over this weekend 21<sup>st</sup>/ 22<sup>nd</sup> April - there will be a second collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor. This is not eligible for Diocesan Gift Aid, but if you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please use one of the envelopes provided by the Little Sisters which can be found at the back of church. *See poster and flyers.*

**First Holy Communion Programme** - We welcome to our Sunday Masses all the children from our primary schools who are on the programme. St. Godric's school children will complete session 7 after school on 26<sup>th</sup> April, and the children from St. Joseph's and St. Thomas More schools will complete the session on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am in the Jubilee Room at St. Joseph's.

The Parish of the Durham Martyrs' **May Procession** will take place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm at St Joseph's with refreshments afterwards. All are welcome, if you are able to provide donations of refreshments please complete the form at the back of the church.

**Finchale Partnership:** The minutes of the March meeting of the Partnership Development Group are now available on the noticeboards and at the partnership

webpages hosted at <http://www.stcuthberts-durham.org.uk/the-finchale-partnership/partnership-development-group-information>

**Dementia Friends** - Do you know someone be it a relative, friend who are living with dementia or caring for someone with dementia and want to learn a little bit more about what this means and the small ways you can help, including possibly working with our Inclusive Group in the parish to create a "Dementia Friendly Community"? The Durham Martyrs' Parish Inclusive Group would like to warmly welcome you to a "Dementia Friends Session" at **7pm on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May in the Jubilee Room**. Parishioners and non-parishioners are welcome to attend the session which will last for 1 hour only. Members of the Bereavement Group, SVP, Eucharistic ministers, Liturgy Group, Choir, Faith and Light, as well as other groups may find this session particularly helpful in their roles in the parish. Please do attend if you can - all are welcome.

**Hexham & Newcastle Diocesan Church Music Association presents:** An evening music workshop introducing 4 Mass settings of contrasting styles.  
Led by: Paul Berry - Musical Director of St. Mary's RC Church, Hexham  
Alison Purvis - Musical Director of St. Cuthbert's Catholic Church, Durham.

Date: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Time: 7pm - 9pm (Tea/Coffee from 6.30pm)  
Venue: St. Hilda's Resource Centre, 391 West Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE15 7PY  
Admission: Free Parking: On-site

#### **Centre for Catholic Studies Forthcoming Lectures**

\* **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018: Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture by HE Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi: *Universities as Places of Encounter Between Faith and Culture: A public conversation with Bishop Paul Tighe.*** 6.15pm lecture followed by an optional drinks reception. This is a ticketed event: registration is essential. Registration deadline: 9am on Monday 23 April. Please register via [www.centreforcatholicstudies.co.uk](http://www.centreforcatholicstudies.co.uk) or call 0191 334 1656.

#### **Serve the Lord with Gladness -**

##### **Forthcoming Diocesan Days of Reflection for All Ministries**

\* Ushaw College, Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 10.30am-3.30pm

\* St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Gateshead, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 10.30am-3.00pm

At both venues, registration and refreshments will be from 9.45am. Tea, coffee and a light lunch will be provided. Booking is essential as places are strictly limited. Please contact the Parish Secretary who will make the booking on your behalf. See poster.

#### **Tyne and Wear Citizens Accessible Cities Action - Saturday 5th May**

In the listening exercise which took place in our parish and other Durham city member organisations of Tyne and Wear Citizens concern was expressed by many about difficulties in getting into and around our city. As a result, Tyne and Wear Citizens are undertaking the Accessible City action on Saturday May 5th. This will be a practical exercise, mapping areas of our city that cause people problems, for example cobbled areas, crossings with short timings etc. **Your help is needed in carrying out this action.** Timings are as follows: 2.30 Meet and briefing; 2.45 - 5 pm Action in Durham city; 5.15 - 7 pm Debrief and shared food gathering. If you can get involved, even for a short time, on **Saturday May 5th.**

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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 21 April		10.00am John Dickenson (Anniversary)	10.00am - Jim Pickering 5.30pm Bernard Salmon
Sunday 22 April		9.00am Margaret McAffery (Birthday Remembrance) 3.00 - 4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am Edward Slowikowski (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Dominic Guzdec (Birthday Remembrance) and Sheila Collinson
Monday 23 April	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 24 April	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am Carmeline Alexander	6.30pm - Exposition 7.00pm SVP Friends & Benefactors
Wednesday 25 April	9.15am Peter and Catherine McLoughlin	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion 11.00am - Funeral Service of Margaret Gibbon
Thursday 26 April	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.30-10.00am - Exposition 10.00am	9.15am Anne Lamb
Friday 27 April EPISCOPAL MTG	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Saturday 28 April		10.00am	10.00am No Mass or Service 5.30pm Wilf & Margaret Brennan and Elizabeth Birney
Sunday 29 April		9.00am Marilyn Cunliffe 3.00pm-4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am Deceased members of the Barrett and Conway Families

**St. Cuthbert's**

Sun 22	Mon 23	Tue 24	Wed 25	Thurs 26	Fri 27	Sat 28	Sun 29
10.00am and 6.30pm	No Mass	1.00pm	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm