

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 12th - 20th May 2018
Sunday 13th May - 7th Sunday of Easter

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Note from Fr. Colm

Our May Procession takes place this Sunday. Please join us.

Worth a listen: Jackie Stewart speaking on Radio 4 - PM last Thursday movingly and positively regarding his wife Helen's dementia. His charity is 'Race Against Time.com'

Exam time again. Perhaps an encouraging word to our students coming to church. The pressures can be very great.

A word about funerals. We have had, over the years, a wonderful group of willing singers who make up the choir for funerals. I cannot praise them enough for being there. It is hugely important to both family and me. It is a long and vital tradition that needs to be kept up. Can I ask that singers join us at both St. Joseph's and St. Godric's for future funerals. We are one parish now, so if we could come together on these sad and emotional occasions, it would be great. Many thanks to those still accompanying Roger, Matt or Pam.

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

Saturday, 12 th May	Ss. Nereus and Achilleus and St. Pancras
Monday, 14 th May	St. Matthias Apostle
Friday, 18 th May	St. John 1 Pp, M
Saturday, 19 th May	St. Dunstan Bp
Sunday, 20 th May	Pentecost Sunday

What's On

Wednesday, 16 th May	* *	Wednesday Lunch Club, 12.00-1.00pm, Jubilee Room Tea and Film Afternoon, 1.00-4.00pm, Jubilee room
Thursday, 17 th May	* *	Partnership Development Group, Don Bosco Rm, 7.00pm Inclusive Church meeting, Jubilee Room, 7.00-9.30pm
Saturday, 19 th May		Royal Wedding Party, Jubilee Room, 10.30am-3.00pm

Funerals this week

Tuesday 16th May - Funeral Service of Margaret Gibbon, St. Joseph's, 12.00 Noon

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the late Anne Lamb, whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Godric's on **Thursday, 17th May** at 10.30am, followed by burial in South Road Cemetery. *Requiescant in pace.*

May Procession, St. Joseph's, this Sunday 13th May, 3.00pm - Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome.

Dementia Friends - The Durham Martyrs' Parish Inclusive Group would like to warmly welcome you to a "Dementia Friends Session" at **7pm on Thursday 17th May in the Jubilee Room**. Parishioners and non-parishioners are welcome to attend the session which will last for 1 hour only. Please do attend if you can - all are welcome.

Wedding Invitation - Please join us in the Jubilee Room on Saturday, 19th May at **10.30am** to watch the Royal Wedding on the big screen. Stay for lunch and wine. If interested, contact Margaret White or Helen.

Second Collections

* **World Communications Day, Sunday 13th May**

Today, we pray for those who work in the media and also for the valuable work carried out on our behalf by the Communications Office of the Bishops' Conference. This Special Collection is **eligible** for Diocesan Gift Aid. If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please use a Special Collection envelope from your box supplied.

* **Lay Training Fund - Pentecost Sunday, 20th May**

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Volunteers needed - would you be willing to give up an hour of your time on a monthly rota to help with the Wednesday lunches? If you would like to help, please contact Helen. Thank you.

Saturday morning Mass at St. Joseph's, 19th May

Please note that the morning Mass at St. Joseph's on Saturday 19th May will take place in the church, and not the Jubilee Room.

Security at St. Joseph's

Can we please remind all key-holders for the Jubilee Room that you must ensure that the door is locked when you leave. If you are not a key-holder, but are attending a meeting/event, you should not be the last to leave, as simply pulling the door behind you doesn't mean that it is locked.

Film and Tea Afternoon

There will be a film and tea afternoon on **Wednesday 16th May** in the Jubilee Room at 1.30pm. Please come along. Lifts available. Contact Helen.

Date for the Diary

Celebration of Life Mass, Saturday 26th May, 10.00am, St. Joseph's

The Bereavement Group would like to invite you to the above Mass where you will be invited to lay a flower in remembrance of your deceased loved ones. The flowers will be provided by the group and there will be refreshments afterwards in the Don Bosco room. Please join us - everyone welcome.

Save the Date

- 1. Celebration of the new Mass Setting, Thursday, 21st June, St. Godric's at 7.00pm** - more information to follow
- 2. Parish "Thank You" Evening - Friday, 13th July, St. Joseph's, 7.00pm**
Fr. Colm would personally like to thank our helpers for the sterling work they undertake throughout the year which facilitates the excellent and smooth running of our parish. No matter what role you play, you are cordially invited to join him, so pop along to the Jubilee Room, St. Josephs church, on **Friday 13th July 2018 at 7.00pm**. Refreshments will be provided. Pop the date in your diary today!

Tyne and Wear Citizens update - Accessible Cities Action - Durham May 5th

Thank you to everyone who came along and participated in the accessible cities action in Durham City Centre on Saturday afternoon. The team looked at provision of benches to allow people to rest, easy access to toilets in the city centre, ease of access to the city (or otherwise) for wheelchair users and crossing timings. This was the first step in identifying specific actions to make our city more accessible. Thank you to everyone who took part.

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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 12 May		10.00am	10.00am - Dennis O'Connell and Julia Riordan 5.30pm John Quinn and David Adams
Sunday 13 May		9.00am - Deceased members of the Condron Family, and Marian Heaphy 3.00 - 4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am The Grieveson Family and deceased members of the Hunter and Equi Families 3.00pm - May Procession
Monday 14 May	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 15 May	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	6.30pm - Exposition 7.00pm Tommy Docherty
Wednesday 16 May	9.15am Marian Heaphy	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.15am - Service of Word and Holy Communion 12.00pm - Funeral Service of Margaret Gibbon
Thursday 17 May	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.30am - Requiem Mass of Anne Lamb	9.15am No Mass or Service
Friday 18 May	9.15am Belle Blakey	10.00am	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Saturday 19 May		10.00am Frank and Bernard McGoay	10.00am - Freada Johnston 5.30pm - Deceased members of the Charlton Family
Sunday 20 May PENTECOST		9.00am - Marian Heaphy and George Michiels (Anniversary) 3.00pm-4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am Stephen, Lee, Becky, Jacqui and Jake

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 13	Mon 14	Tue 15	Wed 16	Thurs 17	Fri 18	Sat 19	Sun 20
10.00am and 6.30pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	7.00pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	10.00am and 6.30pm