

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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Sunday, 5th March - 1st Sunday of Lent

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Note from Fr. Colm

Lent is upon us again. A lovely time of year. Good to see so many joining us for the Ash Wednesday services. The following day the children from our three primary schools appeared in all their glory on National Book Day. The famous characters from the most celebrated books and movies were to be seen. Well done to staff and parents.

As we journey through Lent, lets support each other in prayer. Perhaps singling out someone who may know you are praying for them, or perhaps leave it until the end of Lent to let them know you were praying for them.

"Lent is a time to renew wherever we are in that process that I call the divine therapy. It's a time to look at what our instinctual needs are, and to look at what the dynamics of our unconscious are."

Thomas Keating

Feast Days

Tuesday, 7 th March	Ss. Perpetua & Felicity MM
Wednesday, 8 th March	St. John of God Rel
Thursday, 9 th March	St. Frances of Rome Rel

What's On

Wednesday 8 th March	* *	Wednesday Lunch Club, Jubilee Room, 12.00-1.00pm SVP Film and Tea afternoon, 1.30-4.00pm, Jubilee Room
Thursday, 9 th March	* *	Art Group, 2.00-4.00pm, Don Bosco Room Journey in Faith, 7.30pm - Sacrament of the Sick

*The
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Sunrise Services - at St. Joseph's Church, each weekday morning during Lent from 7.30am-7.45am, commencing on Thursday, 2nd March.

- at St. Godric's School (St. Bede's Chapel) there will be early morning Services on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8.40am for the children and whoever brings them to school. Everyone is welcome to come and join this 10 minute opportunity for our children and adults to begin the day by praying together during Lent.

Stations of the Cross -

3 rd March	Prayer Group	24 th March	St. Godric's FHC Children
10 th March	Matt & Joanna P	31 st March	Justice & Peace
17 th March	Baptism Group	7 th April	SVP Joint Conference

14th April - Good Friday - Faith and Light

Lenten Charity Lunches

3 rd March	Colombia Group	10 th March	NO LUNCH
17 th March	Faith & Light	24 th March	TBC
31 st March	Justice & Peace	7 th April	Rachel Kelly

Please let the parish secretary know if you would like to host a simple Lenten lunch.

Lenten Calendar - Lenten calendars this year have been prepared using some of the Diocesan suggestions from "Following in the footsteps of Jesus" and copies are available at the back of each church. Please take a copy.

Baptism - we welcome into our parish community Elisa Durbridge, who will be baptised after Mass at St. Joseph's this weekend, 5th March.



CAFOD Lent Fast Day 2017 - this year the Fast Day will take place on Friday 10th March. Donating envelopes are available at all three churches this weekend, 4th/5th March.

Book Sale in support of the Dementia Group - this weekend and next at St. Joseph's. Thank you for the many donations of books.

SVP - Film and Tea afternoon - Wednesday, 8th March at 1.30pm., St. Joseph's. Please join us. Lifts available.

Coffee Morning - the children of St. Godric's RC Primary School would like to invite you to their Fair Trade Coffee Morning on Friday, 10th March at 9.45am.

Parish Council - there will be a Business Meeting of the Parish Council on **Tuesday, 14th March** at 7.30pm in the Don Bosco Room. If you wish to have anything raised on your behalf, please let the parish secretary know by **Tuesday, 7th March**.

Mission Red Boxes

- **St. Joseph's** - Please bring your red boxes to any weekend Mass during March, or contact John or Alison Balmer to have it collected.

- During 2016 a total of **£4,505.00** was collected from the holders of Red Mission Boxes and direct members of MISSIO at St. Godric's and St Bede's. Many thanks to all concerned for your continued generosity and support. We will be collecting again at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses throughout March. Thank you.

Confirmation Programme 2017- Parishes of The Durham Martyrs and St Cuthbert's. Parishioners in year 9 or above are warmly invited to join the 2017 Confirmation Preparation Programme. There will be an information meeting for potential candidates and their parents/carers on **Saturday 18th March** at 3.45 pm in the Jubilee Room at St Joseph's Church. The Confirmation team are looking forward to meeting you and sharing the programme outline and dates with you. If possible, please bring your Baptismal Certificate along with you. Please pass any enquiries to the parish secretary and the team will get back to you.

Fundraising - our next coffee morning will be held in St. Bede's room in St. Godric's School after the 9.15am Mass on Friday 10th March. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE. All proceeds are for **Women in Need in India**. All very welcome.

Date for the diary - there will be a Traidcraft coffee morning and cake sale on **Saturday, 11th March**, after the 10.30am Mass at St. Joseph's. Donations of cakes will gratefully received. (MORNING MASS IN CHURCH).

Durham Martyrs Justice and Peace Group - the next meeting will take place on **Sunday, 12th March** after the 9.00am Mass at St. Godric's. All welcome to attend.

Asylum Seekers - our usual parish collection will take place over **this weekend, 4th/5th March**. Thank you for your continued support.

Fundraising - Justin Clarke, the husband of Mrs. Clarke, St Joseph's Head of School - is hoping that the parishioners of the parish of the Durham Martyrs will support him in his fundraising efforts for the charity '**Against Breast Cancer**'. He's taken on the challenge to run 3 marathons in April this year - Manchester, Paris and London - and needs to raise £2000. That's a gruelling 78.6 miles in total (in addition to all the long hours of training!) However, it's a challenge that's worth it - as many members of our community have been directly affected by this terrible disease - including St. Joseph's staff members and members of Mrs Clarke's immediate family. Justin has matched in excess of £3000 to St. Joseph's School over the years as part of his charitable work for

Barclaycard and our pupils have benefitted from this - so please support him if you can, with what you can, as anything is greatly appreciated. Donations can be made via: <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/justinclarke1> or alternatively dropped in to St Joseph's School for the attention of Mrs Clarke.

National Novena to St Joseph - 10th to 18th March 2017

This year the Novena will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church in Maidenhead and Herbert House, Freshfield, Liverpool from Friday 10th to Saturday 18th March 2017. Your petitions and prayers are very welcome, they will be placed at St. Joseph's Altar and will be remembered in the Masses and prayers during the Novena. Please see the poster at the back of church for details or contact Alison or John Balmer on 3665372 for a petition form.



Walk from Finchale to Durham Cathedral on Saturday, 18th March 2017 (the Saturday nearest St. Cuthbert's Feast Day) - Two members of the Confraternity of St. James will be walking part of the Camino Inglés in County Durham and would welcome anyone that would like to join them on their walk from Finchale Priory to Durham Cathedral.

During the Middle Ages, the Way of St. James was one of the most important pilgrimages and led to the shrine of St. James in the Northern Spanish city of Santiago de Compostela. Christians travelling from Northern Europe and Scandinavia would often arrive by sea close to Durham and travel to Finchale Priory to learn from St. Godric about the pilgrimage route. The walk from Finchale Priory to Durham cathedral would be, for many, the start of this holy pilgrimage walk. This segment of the walk is recognised by the Xacobeo, the St. James' way authorities, as a recognised portion of the English Way, one of several routes by which pilgrims can reach Santiago de Compostela.

This year, the walk, which is organised with the Friends of the Camino route at Finchale, will coincide with the St. Cuthbert's Day celebrations. On arrival in Durham City, there will be a civic procession to the cathedral leaving the Market Place at 1.50pm. Free tours of the cathedral, a 2 for 1 offer to visit the Open Treasure exhibition, storytelling for children and a farmers' market will all be available to walkers on arrival at the cathedral.

If you would like join this walk, please give names to the Parish secretary by Wednesday, 8th March, so that we can advise County Hall on numbers for the bus and refreshments by 10th March. All parishioners are invited, it is not solely for members of the Walking Group.



New Donating Envelopes. For those parishioners using donating envelopes new boxes of donating envelopes for 2017/18 are available at the back of both St. Joseph's and St. Godric's churches. If you normally worship at either of these churches you should find your box there. Please only take your own box.

For worshipers at St Bede's using envelopes, new boxes will be available before Saturday evening Mass for the next few Saturdays.

Durham Martyrs Parish Family Day - The Parish Family Day will be held on **Sunday 18th June** at **St. Joseph's School** following morning Mass. Details are still being finalised and will be published in due course. In the meantime, we are seeking volunteers to help with the following activities:-

- Setting-up / Clearing away
- Serving refreshments
- Supervising children's play activities
- Staffing stalls

Donations for tombola prizes would also be very gratefully received. If you are able to help please contact Marjorie Towers, Parish Secretary or sign the sheet at back of church.

Ushaw Lecture, Wednesday 8th March 2017: 'Ireland's Spiritual Empire' by Dr Colin Barr. Drinks: 5.30pm; Lecture: 6pm-7.30; Ushaw College. All welcome. To book, please email hannah.thomas2@durham.ac.uk or call 0191 334 1656. If you need help with transport to and from Ushaw College, please contact Jane at ccs.admin@durham.ac.uk or on 0191 334 1656 by 9am on Monday 6th March.

Diocesan Job Vacancy Chief Operating Officer

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a full-time Chief Operating Officer following the retirement of the current post-holder.

The successful candidate will have a relevant degree or business qualification and general strategic and operational business management experience gained at Director/Chief Operating Officer level. They will be an experienced leader with a credible corporate or third sector background and they will bring an understanding of the accountabilities of the Diocese as a charity and an appreciation for its spiritual and pastoral role in the lives of the people and communities it serves. Further information and details of how to apply are available at www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us: Tel: 0191 243 3301 or email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk The closing date for applications is 15th March 2017. *See poster*

Dates for the Diary

Men's Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Northern Men's Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham - Friday 16th to Sunday 18th June 2017. Cost, including coach travel, bed & breakfast and evening meals, plus a traditional Sunday lunch prior to departure for home is £150. A deposit of £35 will reserve your place with the balance payable by 1st May. Contact John Robertson Tel 0191 4877790 or John Ross 0191 4404391. Coach picks up from Newcastle, Gateshead, Washington and Durham any queries contact John Lavery.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017 - Have you ever considered going to Lourdes as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage? Booking Forms for the 2017 Pilgrimage are now available. You can ring Tangney Tours (01732 886 666) and ask for them to send you a form. There are several opportunities whilst in Lourdes to offer your services either as helpers, youth, nurses. If you are interested check out the Diocesan Pilgrimage Website for more information, visit www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk

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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 4 March	6.30pm Jim Marley	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am - John McKeon 5.00pm David Adams
Sunday 5 March		9.00am - Liz Condon 3.00pm- 4.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am Frank Howe
Monday 6 March	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 7 March	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	6.30pm Exposition 7.00pm - Harry Sellars (Birthday Remembrance)
Wednesday 8 March	9.15am Mona Simpson and Winifred Davies	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Thursday 9 March	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.30-10.00am - Exposition 10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.15am Peter and Catherine McLoughlin
Friday 10 March	9.15am Special Intention (I&BR)	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Saturday 11 March	6.30pm Vigil John Quinn	10.00am Service of Word and Holy Communion	10.00am - Joseph, Elizabeth, Eddie, Kathleen and Tony Murphy 5.00pm - Jane Burnside (Birthday Remembrance)
Sunday 12 March		9.00am - Rose Carr (Birthday Remembrance) 3.00pm- 4.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00am Helen Avery (First Anniversary)

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 5	Mon 6	Tue 7	Wed 8	Thurs 9	Fri 10	Sat 11	Sun 12
10.00am and 6.30pm	No Mass	12.15pm	4.40pm in Ushaw College Chapel	12.15pm	11.00am	No Mass	10.00am and 6.30pm

St Godric's 9am Mass

Music during the season of Lent

1. ALL: Opening hymn.

2. Penitential Rite:

Choir: Lord, have mercy. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

Choir: Christ, have mercy. **ALL: Christ, have mercy.**

Choir: Lord, have mercy. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

3. The psalm will be sung. Please repeat the refrain after the choir, and again after each verse.

4. Gospel acclamation:

ALL: Glory and praise to you, Lord; you are the word of life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord; you are the word of life.

(Verse to be sung by choir).

ALL: Glory and praise to you, Lord; you are the word of life.

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4. ALL: Offertory hymn.

5. ALL: Holy, holy no. 439.

6. ALL: Memorial acclamation 1, 2 or 3 - see board (no. 439a, 439b, 439c)

7. Great Amen. ALL: Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

8. ALL: Communion hymn.

9. ALL: Recessional hymn.