

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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10th November 2024 - 32nd Sunday of the Year Remembrance Sunday

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The poem below was written by one of our parishioners – James Gilman – and has been used in services at Durham Cathedral and elsewhere. It has also been accepted by the British Army and the Royal Navy for use in military bases around the world and has been added to the Royal British Legion's list for possible use in future National Remembrance Services. A wonderful achievement.

THE POPPIES PRAYER

The poppies fall.
Their crimson tears
Like shrapnel, piercing every heart
Of those who mourn the dying blood
Enshrouding friend and foe alike
On Flanders Field.

So scour our conscience
With your flood
Till we ensure that never more
Shall nations let Death's bloody dance
Seduce the souls of friend and foe.

Like Flanders Field

Feast Days

Monday, 11 November	St. Martin of Tours Bp
Tuesday, 12 November	St. Josaphat Bp, M
Friday, 15 November	St. Albert the Great Bp, D
Saturday, 16 November	St. Edmund of Abingdon, St. Margaret of Scotland, and St. Gertrude V

Prayers – please keep in your prayers:



Kitty Trainor	Tony Twomey
Ann Hourican	Jared Howarth
Mary Armstrong	Ian Hamilton
Sheila Owens	Ann Close
John McDonnell	Margaret Graham
Kathleen Murray	

Anniversaries:

Anne Bell	Sharon Oliver
Joe Hirst	Sylvia Shaw



Sympathy – we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the late Brian Harland, whose Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday, 20th November in St. Joseph's at 10.00am followed by cremation in Durham.
Requiescat in pace

Eucharistic Services in St Bede's Chapel,

Please note that the above services at St. Godric's School recommence this Monday 11th November at 9:15am



There will be a parish coffee morning this **Monday 11th November**, which will take place immediately after the 9.15 Service of the Word and Holy Communion in St. Bede's Room in St Godric's School. All proceeds are for Women in Need in India. Everyone is very welcome.

Help needed. We need helpers for cleaning at **St Godric's**. It has been difficult to set up a rota for those who have volunteered previously because of lack of numbers. We have decided to set a particular day each month, ask for helpers and whoever can manage would be very welcome for as long or short time as they can offer. We have decided on the second Tuesday of each month. The first date is Tuesday, 12th November to begin after 10am mass. Any queries - contact Mary Earnshaw 07748764366.

Global Healing Film Nights at St. Francis' Friary

November 11th, 18th and 25th. 7 - 8.15 pm.'

All are welcome to join us at the Friary to watch the films. We also hope to discuss the topic and to share together practical ways of responding to the current crisis. These are inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si" (2015) on the dangers of Climate Change and our response.

Confirmation

We will welcome all of our young people wishing to receive this sacrament, with their parents, to meet in the Jubilee Room at St. Joseph's Church in Gilesgate next **Wednesday, 13th November at 6pm**. All participants should have received an email to confirm this. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parish Community Christmas Fayre on Saturday, 16th November, in St. Joseph's Church at 10.30am – 12.30pm.



Thank you once again for your amazing, very generous donations to our Fayre. It's almost here and we are really looking forward to a special Parish/Community event. Many of you have signed up to help in preparations as well as on the day itself. Our final 'ask' is for donations (with ingredient information) for our cake stall. These can be brought into church on Friday 15th or on the day.

During the Fayre we will be taking a limited number of pictures for our social media feeds. Please let one of us know on the day if you don't wish to be photographed.

Our final plea is to spread a warm welcome to families and neighbours. We're hoping our Fayre will be a huge success when we will have the opportunity to spend time together and learn of the amazing support in our Parish and wider Community. Santa has confirmed he is able to visit!

Cynthia (cdunn2112@sky.com) or Erica (e.smith47@outlook.com).

Thursday 21st November – Parish Readers Reflection Evening 7pm

Readers in the parish are invited to join us for a Reflection Evening on **Thursday 21st November 7pm** in the Jubilee Room (Don Bosco Room if clashes with Journey in Faith) on the New Lectionary Translation which we will begin using at Mass beginning on the 1st Sunday of Advent. This is also an opportunity to reflect on our Ministry as Readers and to support and assist each other in sharing our good practice for proclaiming the Word at Mass.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Sudan Appeal

Once again, the SVP is making a Christmas Appeal for funds to relieve the desperate situation in Southern Sudan. There are 1.4 million children under the age of five suffering from acute malnutrition and 7.1 million

people facing food insecurity.

The SVP has been working tirelessly to provide hope and assistance with projects such as; Infant feeding, Healthcare Centres, Schools, Home for homeless young boys, Support for displaced persons as well as Vocational Training Opportunities. Your generosity over the past years has been outstanding and I hope you will continue to support this worthwhile cause.

To make a donation directly to the SVP please click the following link: <https://fundraising.svp.org.uk/page/134642/donate/1> Or, if you wish to pay by cheque, please make it out to 'SVP Sudan Appeal' and put it in an envelope with Sudan Appeal on the outside and then put it in the Offertory basket, by December 14th. Thank you in anticipation, Chris Brennan.

SVP TYNE CENTRAL COUNCIL – 200 CLUB Results– November 2024

1 st (£50)	No. 56
M. Hutchinson	St. Cuthbert's, Kenton
B. Atkinson	All Saints, Lanchester
Tom Mackie	St. Charles, Gosforth
2 nd (£25)	No. 49
M. Scott	Our Lady of Lourdes, Wallsend
Joan Gillingham	All Saints, Lanchester

With many thanks for your continued support



Memorial Sunday - our annual Memorial Sunday Mass will take place on **Sunday 24th November** at St. Joseph's at 3.00pm. All families of deceased parishioners who have been bereaved during the year 1st November 2023 - 31st October 2024 will receive a personal invitation from Fr. Colm to come along and

light a candle in remembrance of their loved ones. Fr. Colm will light three larger candles (one for St. Joseph's, one for St. Godric's, and one for St. Bede's Chapel) which represent the deceased members of the wider parish and our families and friends. These will be lit at every Mass until Christmas. Please come along to the Mass and join us for seasonal refreshments in the Jubilee Room afterwards. Everyone welcome.

Parish of the Durham Martyrs Memory Café

Durham Martyrs Parish host a Memory Café, for those living with dementia and their carers on the second Tuesday of every month (1-3pm) at **St Joseph's RC Church, Mill Lane, Gilesgate, Durham DH1 2JG**. During the Café as well as enjoying cake and refreshments, we do craft activities, games and have sing -a-longs and even dancing in a friendly and relaxed environment. If you have any queries or would first just like to come along and see what happens, please contact **Durham Martyrs' Parish Secretary** - 0191 3843810 or 07483 369 561, or email secretary.stjandstg@btconnect.com

CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas

This Christmas, give your loved ones something exceptional and life changing. Buying CAFOD's virtual World Gifts makes a real difference for our sisters and brothers facing the injustice of poverty around the world. Choose from a range of beautifully illustrated cards, each representing a gift of hope, inspired by real people and real needs. Cards can be sent by post, as an eCard, or printed at home. Purchase World Gifts and other gifts such as Advent calendars and jute bags at worldgifts.cafod.org.uk or pick up a catalogue in church.

The Centre for Catholic Studies' Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture

Thursday 21st November 2024, 6pm

St Cuthbert's Catholic Church, Old Elvet, DH1 3HL

The Centre for Catholic Studies at Durham University is pleased to announce that booking is now open for the Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture, with Fr Hyacinthe Destivelle, O.P. giving a talk entitled *Habemus Papam. An Ecumenical Primacy in a Synodal Church*.

The lecture will take place at St Cuthbert's Catholic Church and will be followed by a drinks reception. This is an in-person only event. Please book your attendance at the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/700199344087>

Little Sisters of the Poor Christmas Concert

The Newcastle Male Chorus and Gibside Singers will be performing a Christmas Concert in the Chapel at St Joseph's Home (Little Sisters of the Poor) on Saturday 7th December 2024 at 7.00pm. The concert is in aid of the work of the Little Sisters at St Joseph's Home.

Tickets are £8 (interval drink included), available from St Joseph's Home – 0191 273 1279.

Change of Mass Time – St. Joseph's

Please note that the Friday morning Mass at St. Joseph's on 15th November has been moved to the earlier time of 9.00am

Mass Intentions for the Week

10th November 2024

	St Godric's	St Joseph's
Saturday 9 November		5.00pm Vigil Mass John Wood (SVP), Austin Dobbie and Nance Thompson Birthday Remembrance
Sunday 10 November	9.00am Vincent McPartland Birthday Remembrance 3.00-4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am Roger Charlton (SVP)
Monday 11 November	NO MASS	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 12 November	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am Margaret Taylor and Lesley Ann Schofield	NO MASS
Wednesday 13 November	NO MASS	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am David Neill (SVP)
Thursday 14 November	9.30am – Exposition 10.00am Kathleen Murray (Illness)	NO MASS OR SERVICE
Friday 15 November	NO MASS	9.00am Deceased Priests of the Diocese
Saturday 16 November	NO MASS	5.00pm – Vigil Mass Belle Blakey and Anthony Farmer
Sunday 17 November	9.00am Brian Bowes (SVP) 3.00-4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am Austin Flynn Anniversary, and Veronica and Eric Smith

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 10	Mon 11	Tue 12	Wed 13	Thurs 14	Fri 15	Sat 16	Sun 17
10.00am and 6.30pm	NO MASS	9.15am	6.30pm Chaplaincy Mass in Durham Cathedral	12.15pm	9.15am	12.15pm	10.00am and 6.30pm