

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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It has been 10 years since the first formal Mass as the Parish of the Durham Martyrs, at St. Leonard's in June 2013.

In preparation for this, we had spent a few years in formation, bringing together our neighbouring churches. One part of that was a Parish Development Day in November 2012 at St. Leonard's Sixth Form Centre, where over 80 parishioners contributed to a series of wide-ranging discussions on our future together.

At the celebration of my 40th anniversary as a serving Priest, I was inspired by the reflections of my dear friend, Fr. John O'Brien, who spoke about the best of times and the worst of times.

I would like to invite you all to Parish Development Day 2, at St. Leonard's on Saturday, 14th October. We need to look forward again to explore how we might create the best of times. I would like you all to reflect on our first 10 years and how we might build a stronger community in the future.

Please put the date in your diary and further details will be shared after the summer break.

Thank you.
Fr. Colm

Feast Days

Tuesday, 11 th July	St. Benedict, Ab, Patron of Europe
Thursday, 13 th July	St. Henry
Friday, 14 th July	St. Camillus de Lellis P
Saturday, 15 th July	St. Bonaventure Bp, D

Prayers – please keep in your prayers:



Meg Dixon	Bernard and Yvonne Reid
Joe Watson	Jared Howarth
Sheila Owen	Francesca Camilerni
Tony Collinson	Nicola Dawson
Ken Riddle	A sick grandchild
Breda Gallagher	Ian Hamilton

Anniversaries:

Jake Morley	David Adams
Elizabeth Gaffing	Ann Jackson
Frederick Locke	Teresa O'Sullivan
John Finn	Marie Taylor



Sympathy – we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the late June Hann, whose Funeral Service will take place at St. Joseph's on Wednesday, 26th July, at 11.45am followed by cremation in Durham.

...and also to the family and friends of the late Trudie Jones who died this week. Her funeral arrangements are not known at this time.

Requiescant in pace.

POSTPONEMENT OF BAPTISM PROGRAMME

The Baptism Programme scheduled for Monday, 10th July, has been postponed as Mrs. Christine Coxon, the Lead Baptism Catechist, has tested positive for Covid.

It will be re-arranged for some time during the first half of September and the new date will be notified to the current participants by email.

There will be a **Coffee Morning** this **Monday 10th July** immediately after the 9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion in St. Bede's Room in St. Godric's School. All proceeds will go to Women In Need in India. Everyone is very welcome.

The Friends of St Godric's are holding their Summer Fayre this Sunday 9th July 2023, 12 noon until 3pm in St Godric's school grounds.

Our stalls usually include tombolas for children and grown-ups, pre-loved toy stalls, refreshment and cake stalls, craft tables, hair braiding and tattoos, games stalls e.g. can alley, lawn darts and a football shoot out, pre-loved uniform and more. All are welcome.

Sea Sunday – 9th July

This Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) to continue its important work - so please give generously. There will be a retiring collection at each of our weekend Masses. Thank you.



TYNE CENTRAL COUNCIL – 200 CLUB

Results – July 2023

1st (£50)	No. 64
John Griffiths	St. Charles, Gosforth
Mary Bennett	St. Edwards, Whitley Bay
2nd (£25)	No. 20
L. Rowe	St. Cuthbert's, Kenton
Emily Edwards	Parish of the Durham Martyrs

With many thanks for your continued support

From the Diocese

A note from the Vicariate for Faith & Mission

Listening spaces

The purpose of these gatherings is to allow space to hear the impact of Bishop Robert's resignation and the Safeguarding Enquiry report.

These listening spaces will be facilitated by Karen Kilby, who will be feeding back to Archbishop McMahon. A liturgy of healing will be available at each of the spaces for those who wish to stay and partake.

We appreciate that people from all across the diocese may want and need to be heard and we are exploring multiple methods to enable this. We have heard feedback about the choice of locations and have included a fourth venue in Newcastle.

Monday 10th July at St. Mary's RC Church Hall, Forest Hall, Newcastle. NE12 7AB. 7:00 – 8.30pm.

Tuesday 11th July at St. Bede's RC Church Hall, Bedlington. NE22 5TZ. 7:00 – 8.30pm.

Wednesday 12th July at St Michael RC Church Hall, Houghton-Le-Spring. DH5 8NF. 7:00 – 8.30pm.

Thursday 13th July at The Catholic Church of the English Martyrs and St. Peter & St Paul's, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 9BY. 7:00 – 8.30pm.



Durham Martyrs Walking Group – 15th July 2023

A walk that keeps on giving!

Our next walk will be at Seaham taking in Nose's Point, Hawthorn Dene and a small section of the Coastal Path. A combination of coast, woodland,

flora and fauna and the option of fish and chips and rehydration if required at the end. This is a lovely walk!

The walk begins at the 'dancing' wooden sculpture at the front of Byron Place at 10.30am (Car Parking is available on opposite side of the road)

The full walk is approximately 7.5 miles in total however for those who would like a shorter walk, an option of approximately 5 miles is possible.

Both routes can be shortened by a further 1.5 miles by parking at Nose's Point Car Park if desired.

If you would like to join this walk, please let Marjorie know so we know who to expect and at which point you will be joining. (Walking Group members who have already responded to WhatsApp do not need to reply).

The Church's mission – an event with Cardinal Tagle

The Church has a mission but what is it? And how should we do it? Cardinal Tagle of the Philippines has responsibilities for evangelisation and mission in the Vatican and was President of Caritas International (a global network of Catholic relief and development agencies) and is a fantastic speaker.

We invite you to join us online for **Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation** in which Cardinal Tagle will speak on the Church's mission and the fundamental links between evangelisation (sharing Christ and his Good News) and social action. **14th July 7:00-8:30pm.**

Please go to www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation

From the Centre for Catholic Studies

You may be interested to hear that, this week, the **School for Synodality** launches, a project that exists to help support the synodal conversion of the Church in England and Wales in our day-to-day practice.

Through conversations, the development of resources, our webinars and our parish and innovation programmes the founders, Chris Knowles and Avril Baigent (Durham University), hope to enable an openness to the Holy Spirit in the Church through listening, sharing and discernment.

The project, a collaboration between the Northampton Diocese and Synod Fruits, hopes to respond to Pope Francis' challenge to become a synodal Church by engaging at the grass roots in the parish and other communities we engage with each week.

Chris Knowles and Avril Baigent (Durham University) are the two founders and Directors of the project. Paul Murray (CCS Director), Anna Rowlands (St Hilda Chair in Catholic Social Thought and Practice), and Greg Ryan (Assistant Professor in the Dept of Theology and Religion), are on the academic reference group, and Pat Jones (Durham University) is on the guiding group.

Find out more at SchoolforSynodality.org.uk

Concert at Little Sisters of the Poor

The Newcastle Male Chorus will be performing a Sounds of Summer Concert in the Chapel at St Joseph's Home Newcastle, (Little Sisters of the Poor) on Saturday 22nd July 2023 at 7.00pm.

The concert is in aid of the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor in St Joseph's Home and includes a variety of music from stage and screen. Tickets are £8 (interval drink included) and are available from St. Joseph's Home – 0191 2731279.

News from Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), who are working with the charity St. John of God Hospitaller Services to co-ordinate a Homes for Ukraine programme, providing temporary housing and support for displaced Ukrainian individuals adjusting to life in the UK.

For more information, go to:

<https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk> email: homesforukraine@sjog.org.uk or
Facebook: [facebook.com/sjoghomesforukraine](https://www.facebook.com/sjoghomesforukraine)

See poster and leaflet at the back of each of our churches.

A Note from Keith Taylor, Chair of the Friends of the Finchale Camino

The Eve of St James' Day July 23rd 2023

We intend to celebrate St. James' Day again this year as we did last year. As St James' Day falls on a Tuesday (25th), we felt that this would be inconvenient for many people who might wish to join us on the event that we have planned.

Bearing this in mind, we are intending to celebrate **St James' Day on Sunday 23rd, the nearest Sunday to St James' Day**. The day includes a visit to the Spanish Gallery in Bishop Auckland, a short pilgrimage to Auckland Castle, a service in St. Peter's Chapel, concluding with a visit to a local Tapas Restaurant.

For further information, and if you are interested in joining us, please contact me at thefinchalecamino@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you would like to join the tour of the Spanish Gallery, if you are not members already, and if you would like me to book you a place at El Castillo Tapas Restaurant.

Keith Taylor, 07889 183 165

Mass Intentions for the Week



9th July 2023

	St Godric's	St Joseph's
Saturday 8 July		5.00pm Vigil Mass David Adams Anniversary and Paddy and Kitty Farrell
Sunday 9 July	9.00am Mgr. Paul Hardy	11.00am Ursula Meaney
Monday 10 July	NO MASS	9.15am Service of Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 11 July	9.30 – Exposition 10.00am Colin and Estelle Wild	NO MASS
Wednesday 12 July	NO MASS	9.30am - Exposition 10.00am The intentions of Ian and Barbara Robertshaw
Thursday 13 July	9.30am – Exposition 10.00am Peter & Catherine McLoughlin 11.45am Funeral Service of the late Rebekah Fox	NO MASS
Friday 14 July	NO MASS	9.30am – Exposition 10.00am Richard Anderson
Saturday 15 July	NO MASS	5.00pm Vigil Mass David Elliot Anniversary and Kevin Royal Birthday Remembrance
Sunday 16 July	9.00am The intentions of Tom and Maureen Hoban	11.00am The intentions of Fr. Colm

St. Cuthbert's

Sun 9	Mon 10	Tue 11	Wed 12	Thurs 13	Fri 14	Sat 15	Sun 16
10.00am and 6.30pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	12.15pm	9.15am	9.15am 2.00pm Wedding Service	10.00am and 6.30pm

