

5th FEBRUARY 2017
5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A



ST AUGUSTINE'S
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PARISH BULLETIN

BREVIARY WEEK : 1

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WORD FOR TODAY

There's no point in having a light unless it lights up the darkness. The whole purpose is to shed light so that people can see what they're doing. So too with our Christianity:
we cannot be unobtrusive Christians
for we are called to light up the world.

As you will be aware, Fr Seamus is very ill. We ask you all to remember him and his family, the parishioners of St Augustine's and ourselves in your prayers over the next few weeks. May we all be aware of God's loving presence in our lives. God bless you all. Fr Greg & Fr David.

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE

The Bishop has recently spent four days with the Diocesan Board which includes the Vicar General, Episcopal Vicars and lay people, listening to and exploring the wide range of topics emerging from the Forward Together in Hope programme. The decisions that were made will be shared with the Diocese at 2 separate meetings which will take place simultaneously in different parts of the Diocese on the evening of **9th February**. At these meetings, there will be information about the new Partnerships across the Diocese and how they fit together. You will hear of the principles they used to guide them in making the decisions and be given reasons for any changes to the proposal submitted from each area.

These two meetings will be held at

Carmel College, Darlington	9th February	7.30 pm
Lancastrian Suite, Lancaster Road, Dunston	9 th February	7.30 pm

PARISH CLUSTER EVENT will take place on

Friday 24th February at St Augustine's Parish Centre

with entertainment from 'The Musical Time Machine.'

This event is to raise money for young people to help fund their trip to Flame at Wembley in March this year. Tickets will be available soon, they are £5 and this includes nibbles.

Please see/contact Doreen Dobson 07806 450093 for tickets and any further information you may want.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

You are reminded that children between the ages of 3-9 are invited to join our children's liturgy group which meets for about 20 minutes during the 9.15 mass on Sunday.

Fr David will ask that children come forward (we invite mums and dads too if your child isn't able to be left alone) and the group meets in the back of church through the door on the right hand side of the altar. You can also check if the liturgy group is meeting as there will be a candle burning on the Baptismal Font before the mass starts. We look forward to seeing our existing parishioners and extending a warm welcome to some new faces also.

Forward together in Hope.

JOB VACANCIES

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL – DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

The Directors of Carmel Education Trust and the the Local Management Board of St Augustine's RC Primary School are seeking to appoint an inspirational, enthusiastic, and innovative practising Catholic who embodies the mission of this Outstanding Academy. Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and positively encouraged. Please contact Mrs Martina McCollom – headteacher on 01325 380819 for further information. Application forms available via the website www.staugustinesacademy.org.uk/vacancies, or contact the school office. Closing date 8th February 12 noon, interview 2nd March 2017.

PARISH PROPERTY OUTREACH ADVISOR

3 Year Fixed Term Contract

A unique and exciting opportunity has arisen for a full-time Parish Property Outreach Advisor to assist parish communities, in the context of the local partnership, to explore the future use of all unused and underused property to benefit both the local Church and the local community.

The successful candidate will have a degree or relevant vocational experience in community development, knowledge of the Catholic Church and excellent communication, influencing and interpersonal skills. Experience of project management and the capacity to observe, evaluate and challenge sensitively are essential. Further information can be found on the [Diocesan website](#).

DIOCESAN NEWS

Paul Young Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator is retiring and his replacement is **Angie Richardson** who has already commenced her work as the new Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator. Angie brings considerable experience from a background in child protection and offender management with Northumbria Police. We offer her every good wish as she takes over the demanding responsibility for safeguarding within the Diocese.

COFFEES AFTER MASS - FEBRUARY

In the month of February in the Parish Centre after the 9.15am Sunday Mass there will be tea/coffee with raffles and tombola each week. Funds raised go towards children with special needs of the Happy Wanderers Club.

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor,
clothe the man you see to be naked
and turn not from your own kin.
Then will your light shine like the dawn
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you
and the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer;
call, and he will say, I am here.

If you do away with the yoke,
the clenched fist, the wicked word,
if you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed,
your light will rise in the darkness,
and your shadows become like noon.

Psalm

Either: The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to

philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

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PRAYER MEETING

Each Tuesday in the Parish Centre at 7.00 pm.

EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE

Mondays at 12 noon, followed by Exposition till 3.00pm.

Sunday Masses as from 21/22nd January 2017

<i>St Anne's</i>	<i>Saturday 5.00 pm</i>
<i>Holy Family</i>	<i>Saturday 6.00 pm</i>
<i>St Williams'</i>	<i>Sunday 9.00 am</i>
<i>St Augustine'</i>	<i>Sunday 9.15 am</i>
<i>St Teresa's</i>	<i>Sunday 10.30 am</i>
<i>St Thomas'</i>	<i>Sunday 11.00 am</i>
<i>St Augustine's</i>	<i>Sunday 6.30 pm</i>

REFLECTION – Let your light shine

The most important thing about each of us
is our capacity for goodness.

We can be a source of light.

We have hands that can care,

eyes that can see,

ears that can hear,

tongues than can speak,

feet that can walk,

and above all hearts that can love.

Unfortunately, through laziness, selfishness,

and cowardice, our light can be dimmed,

so that we become shadows of the people we could be.

Lord, help us to believe in our own goodness,

and to let the light of that goodness shine.

On seeing this light others find their way,

and you will be glorified.

STARS AUDITIONS – THE VICAR OF DIBLEY

STARS next production will be The Vicar of Dibley to be staged on 27th, 28th and 29th April. Auditions will be held on Friday 10th and Sunday 12th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. There are 13 characters to cast, all adult roles. If you would like to take part but are unable to attend either audition evening, please contact Martin McLean on 01325 465275.

STARS is keen to recruit new members for both the on-stage and backstage teams. If you would like to join in, please come along on Friday or Sunday to declare your interest and you will be made most welcome.

SAINSBURYS – ACTIVE KIDS 2014

If you aren't collecting these vouchers for your own children/grandchildren, please accept them at the checkout and put them on the collection basket on a Sunday and they will be shared between Paradise Playgroup/St Augustine's School/Carmel Academy. Any vouchers are greatly appreciated.

NORTHERN CROSS on sale this weekend after all Masses.
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ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB/CENTRE INFORMATION

PARISH CENTRE INFORMATION

To book the Parish Centre : email staugspc@gmail.com or
telephone 07909 747145

Bar Opening Time: Sunday 7-10.30pm

Bar opening times

In light of the recent announcement that there will be no 11am Mass at St Augustine's in the immediate future, the Directors of the Parish Club have reviewed bar opening times. We have decided not to open the bar on Sunday lunchtimes. We will of course review this again if there are further changes in Mass times following the conclusions of Forward Together in Hope.

Book Club

Meets this Wednesday 8th February in the Parish Centre 2-3.30pm. Come along and join us for a natter and a coffee and take home the next month's book.

Luncheon Club

The next lunch will be held on Tuesday 21st February from 12.30pm with last orders at 1.30pm. We anticipate a finish time of 2.30pm. Cost is £2.50 which includes homemade soup, bread and cake. Everybody welcome.

HCPT GROUPS are hosting a Curry Night to celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Tickets cost £15 for 3 courses, with a licensed bar and live entertainment. Friday 10th February in the JC Hall (Carmel College) 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets available from HCPT, or Carmel College.

PADDINGTON BEAR

29 th January	£2.70
Money in Bank	£108.11
Total Collected	£31,396.18



COFFEES AFTER MASS

Provided by
Happy Wanderers
Club

FEBRUARY 5TH		5th SUNDAY OF YEAR A	
	St Augustine's	9.15 am	Michael Haigh RIP
	St Augustine's	6.30 pm	Adrian Woodcock RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's	12.00 pm	Eucharistic Service followed by Exposition till 3pm
TUESDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 am	Andrew Keough RIP
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's	7.15 pm	Latin Mass
THURSDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service
FRIDAY	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Doreen McKerran & Margaret Barnes RIP
SATURDAY		CONFESSIONS 10.30 – 11.30 pm	
SUNDAY 12 th February	St Augustine's	9.15 am	Leo Dale RIP
6 th Sunday of YEAR A	St Augustine's	6.30 pm	Monica Hibbert RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, Sister Evelyn and all priests and religious in the diocese who have health problems. Also the sick and housebound of the parish - Joan Foster, Maureen Harrison, Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Teresa Hughes, Betty Smith and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD			
ANNIVERSARIES	February Anniversaries – John Taylor, Shaughan Bainbridge, Joseph Armstrong, Nora Kelly, May Early, Peter Robinson, Molly Smith, Kathleen Stack, Terence Wells, Margaret Blake, Tony Regan, Ted Brownless, Donald Glendenning, James McCulla, Margaret Lindsay. May they rest in peace.		
MINISTERS	SUNDAY 12 th February		
	9.15 am		6.30 pm
READERS	St Augustine's School	C McKeown/J Humphrey	
OFFERTORY	St Augustine's School	Mr & Mrs Mariathan	
WELCOMERS	Irving Family	R Ivanec	
COUNTERS TEAM (A) P Anwyll/C Webb/D Lassiter-Budd/A Budd/J Brown			
29 th January 2017		£ 359.42	
		£ 289.00	(£314.00 gift aided)
		<u>£ 648.42</u>	

DIOCESAN CHURCH MUSIC ASSOCIATION is hosting a day of reflection, preparation and new music for those preparing the Easter Triduum liturgy. Saturday 25th February at Hexham from 10-4pm. See poster at back of Church.