

**10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 - 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR A**



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*PARISH BULLETIN*

BREVIARY WEEK : 2

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## **WORD FOR TODAY**

Do we care for one another enough to speak out when we think someone is doing wrong or harm?

Or are we "insulated" Christians, concerned only with our own relationship with God and considering other people's behaviour none of our business?

## **PARTNERSHIP NEWS**

After careful consideration of the name of the new Partnership Bishop Cunningham has agreed to change the name from Carmel to Hogarth Partnership. Hogarth is named after Bishop William Hogarth the first Bishop after the diocese was created in the 19<sup>th</sup> century: he was the first parish priest of Darlington and as Bishop continued to live and work from old Bishop's House on Coniscliffe Road.

## **COURSES WITHIN THE DIOCESE**

- **Catechesis In The Mission Of The Church**

A course for catechists and those interested in becoming a catechist involving 18 evening sessions. Time for prayer and reflection will be included in each session. Sessions will take place on Tuesday evenings, 6.00pm - 8.00pm at St Aloysius Parish Hall in Hebburn (final dates to be confirmed).

- **“Encounters With Grace: There's a Crack in Everything, that's How the Light Gets In”** (Leonard Cohen)

A day for women with Sr Sheila McNamara

Saturday 16 September 2017 10.30am - 3.30pm

St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY

If you would like to attend tel 0191 243 3313 or email

[adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk)

- **VOCATION DISCERNMENT**

For those thinking about priesthood (aged 16 and over)

Evenings of prayer and reflection with an opportunity to listen to speakers talk about their own discernment, faith journeys and vocations

Various dates at St Mary's Cathedral 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Further details are available from the Diocesan Vocations Promoter:

Fr David Smith 0191 2676063 | [stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com)

**TODAY IS EDUCATION SUNDAY** This is a day of celebration for all those involved in education. The Catholic Education Service's theme for Education Sunday 2017 is '*gathered in my name*'.

There will be a ***second collection today*** to support Catholic Education.

**HOME MISSION SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND** Often when we hear the word 'Mission' it is associated with the valuable work of helping people in other countries. Whilst important, we also need to share our faith with those we love, know & meet - right here at home.

There will be a ***second collection next week*** to enable the Home Mission Office to produce resources, help parishes & equip people to share their faith with others.

## **CARMEL COLLEGE OPEN EVENING**

For Parents & students currently in Year 6 who wish to apply for a place for September 2018.

Monday 11th September 2017 at 6.30pm. The staff of Carmel College invite you to view the college, meet staff & have an opportunity to discuss the admission criteria.

## **JOB VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE:**

- Cathedral Outreach Co-ordinator – St Mary’s Cathedral, Newcastle, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract.
- Children’s Ministry Co-ordinator – Durham Martyrs, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract.
- Administrator – St Joseph, Stanley, St Patrick, Dipton and The Sacred Heart, Byermoor, 10 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.
- Cleaner – St Anne, Sunderland, 3 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.
- Youth Ministry Trust – Director of Operations Vacancy - to provide overall leadership to all its activities at the Emmaus (Youth) Village and across the Diocese. 30 hours per week, 2 year fixed term contract.
- Cleaner - St Augustine’s, Darlington requires a part-time cleaner to provide cleaning services in the presbytery and parish centre. The post holder will have the ability to provide a high standard of cleaning with a good understanding of basic Health and Safety Regulations, including COSHH. They must also have excellent ironing skills. 14 hours per week, 12 month fixed-term contract

For further information on any of these vacancies please visit our website [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) or contact us 0191 243 3301, email [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk)

## **PARTNERSHIP NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

As we begin our new Partnership we would like to petition Our Lady of Fatima to be the Patroness and Intercessor for its success. Each of the parishes in turn will host an evening/day, in the nine days leading up to the final apparition of Our Lady to the three little seers at Fatima 100 years ago. The days will run from 5th October to 13th October; each day will consist of (Mass) if possible, followed by the Rosary and ending with half an hour of Exposition. Please support and pray for this important Novena petition. Everyone is invited to take part in all nine days; however, if you are unable to do so please join in spiritually by saying the Rosary at home. Details of times and venues later.

### **First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9**

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.

### **PSALM**

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.

### **Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10**

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

### **Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

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**RCIA** This year's *Journey in Faith* course will start on Thursday 21st September in St Augustine's presbytery (7 pm – 8.30 pm term time only). The course is for all who are thinking about becoming Catholic and for Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith in an informal setting.

If you would like to attend, let the parish clergy know or just come on the night.

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***Would you like to help others to receive the gift of new life in Christ through prayer for inner healing.***

Come and join us for this exciting and inspiring course given by people with many years' experience of listening and praying with others suffering from a great variety of emotional and spiritual hurts. Such needs are very great.

If you are open to the possibility that God may, one day, call you into the ministry of inner healing, you are warmly invited to attend this course which will offer excellent preparation.

St. Josephs R.C. Church

Norton, Stockton-on-Tees, TS20 1EW

Mondays beginning 16th October 2017 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

For further details contact: 01642 558447 / 01325 260980

**Visit to the Diocese of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the Relics of Ss Francisco and Jacinta**

On Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September, the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima along with the Relics of Ss Francisco and Jacinta will be visiting St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. The event has been organised by the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF).

A concelebrated Mass will take place at 12noon on Saturday 16 September where the Statue and Relics will be welcomed and the Diocese consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**Full details on the board at the back of Church or visit the Diocesan website.**

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### **REFLECTION – Harden not your heart**

‘O that today you would listen to his voice.

Harden not your hearts.’

From a spiritual point of view, hardness of heart is one of the worst things that can happen to anyone.

To adopt a hard-hearted attitude is to maim oneself.

A hard heart can’t feel, can’t respond, can’t love.

A hard heart can’t experience joy.

A hard heart is a closed heart.

A hard heart is a barren heart.

A soft heart, on the other hand, is a blessing.

A soft heart can receive and can respond.

It can be saddened but it can also be deliriously happy.

Softened by the rain of God’s grace,

and warmed by the sun of his love,

the human heart can be turned from a desert into a garden.

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### **CATENIAN ASSOCIATION**

The Darlington Circle of the Catenian Association is currently seeking to encourage more men to become members and is therefore conducting a Recruitment drive in all our Parishes.

If you would like to know more about us, one of our members will be at the back of Church after Mass this weekend 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> September with leaflets which give a brief explanation of who we are and our aims as a Catholic organisation, “Strengthening family life through friendship and faith”, and supporting young people as they help with projects in Lourdes and beyond.

Should you need any further information then please contact any of the members listed below:

Pat Mc Donogh (This year’s President) - 01325-268934

Eric Foster (This year’s Vice-President) - 01325-749823

Malcolm Frank (Membership Officer) – 07817462961

### **PADDINGTON BEAR 03/09/2017**

This week   £11.18

Bank           £430.85

Total           £31,728.91

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## ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB/CENTRE INFORMATION

### PARISH CENTRE INFORMATION

To book the Parish Centre : email [staugspc@gmail.com](mailto:staugspc@gmail.com) or  
telephone 07909 747145

Bar Opening Time: Sunday 7-10.30pm

### FAMILY NIGHT FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER - 6.30PM

Fancy popping down to the Parish Centre for some authentic Indian food served by external caterers. We can lay out some games in the hall to keep the kids entertained. If it's an Indian Summer (pardon the pun) the kids can play outside. We are hoping that for £10.00 per head you might join us (you might want to feed the kids before you come as not all of them will like curry) for an informal evening where you can eat traditional Indian food and drink some Indian beer from behind the bar and catch up with friends and other parishioners you haven't seen over the summer holidays.

To confirm your interest please text Julie Watson on 07809340321.

Look forward to seeing you there....

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Between September 29<sup>th</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Church in Consett is hosting an interactive exhibition, The Holy Shroud, curated by Pam Moon. This exhibition is open to people of all Faiths and none. One of the purposes of the exhibition to tell the story of the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The Exhibition includes a full-size copy of the Shroud of Turin; original Roman nails; a replica scourge and Roman spear. There will be DVDs shown about the Shroud; a Quiz for children; refreshments and a small stall. Admission is free, donations welcome to cover costs. Opening times: 9am-4pm daily, plus two evening openings until 7pm. For more information contact Maggie Quinn on (01207) 506425.

### COFFEES AFTER MASS

Funds for SVP



<b>SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR A</b>	
	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Vincent McCulla RIP</b>
	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>Keith Palmer RIP</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>12.00 pm</b>	<b>NO Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>12.15 pm</b>	<b>Ellie&amp;Frank McFarthing RIP</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>12.15 pm</b>	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>Diane Hui RIP</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>CONFESSIONS 10.30 – 11.30 am</b>		
<b>SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> Sept.</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Maurice&amp;Teresa Conway RIP</b>
<b>24<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Year (A)</b>	<b>St Augustine's</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>Sue McGraw RIP</b>
<b>THOSE WHO ARE SICK</b>	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, Lillian Brown, and those looking after them.		
<b>LATELY DEAD</b>			
<b>ANNIVERSARIES</b>	<b>September Anniversaries</b> – Thomas Flaws, Norah Davies, Elizabeth Wilkinson, Dreda Taylor, Amelia & George Debbas, Paul Lyonette, Francis Mace, Raymond Lancaster, Margaret Fleming, Veronica Hutton, Alfred Pickering, Rose Beaumont, Maurice Pattison. May they rest in peace.		
<b>MINISTERS</b>	<b>SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> September</b>		
	<b>9.15 am</b>		<b>6.30 pm</b>
<b>WELCOMERS</b>	Ingham Family		Mr & Mrs Holborn
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Mr & Mrs Kilgour		P Widdall
<b>READERS</b>	P Joyce/J Jones		A Ivanec/S McEvoy
<b>COUNTERS TEAM (D) J Kilgour/M Knowles/C McKeown/B Tully</b>			
<b>3<sup>RD</sup> September 2017</b>		<b>£ 391.58</b>	
		<b>£ 304.23</b> (£380.29 gift aided)	
		<b>£ 695.81</b>	

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 – 7.00PM**