

18TH FEBRUARY 2018 - 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT- YEAR B



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PARISH BULLETIN

BREVIARY WEEK : 3

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WORD FOR TODAY

It's comforting to know that even the Son of God
was tempted.

Temptation is not a sin but is often a prelude to
sin.

Knowing our weaknesses puts us at an advantage
when we're "tempted" to think that we can
behave in a harmful way and come out
unscathed.

FREE LENTEN BOOKLETS AND CALENDARS AVAILABLE AT BACK OF CHURCH

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross followed by communion on Wednesday and Fridays and Exposition before Mass on a Thursday:

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	<i>12.15 pm</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Exposition</i>	<i>11.30 am</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	<i>12.15 pm</i>

In addition to the above there will be Stations of the Cross on **2 Sundays in Lent**

4th March at 4pm

18th March at 4pm - *this will be especially for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers – a short meeting to follow on from the Stations.*

BREAK 4 LENT

Details of the course On the Third Day as below:

Monday 19 th February	Rev Ruth Gee (Methodist)
Monday 26 th February	Rev Gordon Ryan (Roman Catholic)
Monday 5 th March	Rev Val Towler (URC)
Monday 12 th March	Mel Ithurralde (Batist)
Monday 19 th March	Rev Matthew Firth (Anglican)

10.30am coffee/tea, scone, 11.00am speaker, to finish by 11.30am.

Organised by Churches Together in Darlington in support of Christian Aid.

Theme based around the 2018 York Lent Course: On the Third Day

Suggested minimum donation £2 Venue: St Cuthbert's Church Parish Hall

JOURNEYING TOGETHER –Sessions for Lent across the Partnership.

Monday 19th February	1st week of Lent Facing Temptation: Holy Family Social Centre 7.30pm
Wednesday 28th February	2nd week of Lent God's Transfiguring Love: St Osmund's Gainford 7pm
Wednesday 7th March	3rd week of Lent The Clearing of the Temple: St Teresa's 7pm
Wednesday 14th March	4th week of Lent God Loved the World So Much: St Augustine's Parish Centre 7.30pm (after 7pm Mass)
Wednesday 21st March	5th week of Lent Wherever I Am, my servant will be: St. Anne's Church hall 7pm

As advised the sessions will take the form of prayer, reading, and reflections to share during the Lenten season. The venues will be different each week, but each session is open to ALL throughout the Partnership.

Partnership Development Group-Spirituality

**HOGARTH/PARTNERSHIP
NEWS/EVENTS**

Partnership Matters

The latest edition of the bi-monthly *Partnership Matters* news update is now available on the front page of the diocesan website (www.rcdhn.org.uk).

A Day of Prayer and Reflection for Women, entitled 'there's a crack in everything – that's how the light gets through', led by Sister Sheila McNamara RSCJ. Saturday 24th March 2018, 10.30-3.30. Coffee and tea available from 9.45. Venue: Meeting Hall, Carmel Divine Retreat Centre, Nunnery Lane, Darlington DL3 9PN. To reserve a place, please contact Ann Webster [email: annweb32@gmail.com or text/call 07728 761985

Partnership Mission 2018

The proposed cycle of dates is

Primary Schools – 29 October to 2 November

Parishes – 5-9 November

Carmel College – 12-16 November

For parishes to be involved, we are looking for four parishioners from each parish (two to help with school missions, two to lead with parish missions): we are looking for parishioners with time, enthusiasm and commitment to help make this a meaningful Mission in November. Please sign the list at the back of Church.

Adult Formation

There is a booklet on the noticeboard outlining all the faith and ministry development days within the diocese.

CAFOD LENTEN FAST ENVELOPES – 23RD February

These are available at the back of Church. Please return them by Sunday 25th February.

The Christmas Collection will be divided equally (£400 each) between

Charlie Bear Cancer Care Zaytoun (Palestinian Farmers) MRI Scanner Appeal
First Stop Kumi – Uganda

Thank you for your kind generosity

CONFIRMATIONS 2018

Please keep those being confirmed this year in your prayers.

Confirmation will take place on ***Wednesday 21st February at 7pm in Holy Family Church.***

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.

God said, Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.

The Psalm

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love
For those who keep your covenant

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

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Hogarth Partnership is delighted to present Great Expectations by the Hogarth Players (formed from parishioners from all our parishes).

This is the first Partnership social event as we look to work together more closely. Tickets are £5, available after all Masses from Julie and Brian Humphrey or by phone 265920.

These are valid for any of the eight venues listed below. St Augustine's performance is Friday 16th March.

This is our chance to support our partnership. The word on the street is - you are in for a treat!

Wednesday	14th March	Gainford Village Hall
Thursday	15th March	St William's Church
Friday	16th March	St Augustine's Parish Centre
Monday	19th March	St Thomas' Parish Hall
Tuesday	20th March	St Mary's School Hall, Barnard Castle
Wednesday	21st March	St Teresa's Church
Thursday	22nd March	St Anne's Parish Hall
Friday	23rd March	Holy Family Parish Hall

*If anyone would like Fr Gordon to visit a parishioner who is sick or housebound, please give **written** contact details of name/address etc.*

REFLECTION – Forgiveness

Forgiveness is like the child's dream of a miracle.
Through forgiveness what is broken is made whole again,
what is soiled is made clean,
and what is lost is found.
Nothing greater can happen to a human being
than that he or she is forgiven.
Those who are forgiven are no longer trapped in their past.
They are set free - free to move forward again.
The Lord not only forgives our sins,
but helps us to learn from them.
We learn about our own weakness.
We learn about the goodness of God.
And we learn to be compassionate towards others who sin.

SVP

There will be an appeal after Masses next Sunday.
Thank you for your continued generosity which enables us to help others.

PADDINGTON BEAR

This week £4.33, Money in bank £603.51 Total £31,401.37

DARLINGTON TOWN MISSION – sponsored hymn sing – in 2018

The Darlington Town Mission celebrates 180 years of service. It is a local charity helping to alleviate loneliness and isolation in the elderly. As part of the fundraising programme to enable this to continue, they are holding a Sponsored Hymn Sing on 24th March from 10am to 2pm at Cockerton Methodist Church.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – All God's Creation is very Good Praying for Suriname a Service for Everyone – Friday 2nd March 2018 at Grange Road Baptist Church at 2.00 pm

BAPTISM COURSE



Where? St Augustine's Parish Centre

When? Wednesday 28th February & 7th March 7.15pm – 8.30pm

Please let us know if you will be attending. Either by telephone on 266602 or by email info@staugustineschurch.org.uk.

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 Times: Sunday 7-10.30pm

TUESDAY LUNCHEON GROUP

20th February 2018 from 12.30 pm 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.

SPRING FLOWERS WORKSHOP AND AFTERNOON TEA

Sunday 25th March 2018 2pm– 4.30pm

Valerie Guest will lead a workshop demonstrating how to make a floral arrangement which will be followed by afternoon tea. All equipment will be provided for participants. Tickets (£25) are available after 9.15 mass in the Parish Centre on Sunday 18th February from Marie Newbould.

All profits to Sunday Stop which provides a hot meal on the first Sunday of each month in the Parish Centre for local people in need.

INVITATION TO YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING ON FEBRUARY 25TH

All parishioners who are concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a co-workers' gathering at the Emmaus Village on **Sunday February 25th at 3.00pm**. (Tea, coffee and cake served from 2.15pm).

There are a number of opportunities that YMT will share with you and this will also be a time to share good practice and network with other parts of the diocese.

Please let YMT know if you are coming on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

During the month of February the Happy Wanderers Club will be serving teas and coffees and on Sunday 25th February there will be a sale of home-made pies and cakes.



COFFEES AFTER MASS

are hosted by

The
Happy Wanderers Club

MASS INTENTIONS – We are starting to run a little low on intentions. If you would like a mass offered for a **weekday Mass** please take an envelope, complete with donation and return it to the office. Thank you.

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SUNDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Fr Seamus Doyle RIP Fr Seamus Doyle RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's St Augustine's	12.15 pm 1.30 pm 2.30 pm	Peter Cooper RIP Fun. Serv. Thomas Hendrick Fun. Serv. John Marley
TUESDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's <i>Holy Family</i>	12.15 pm 7.00 pm	Stations of the Cross <i>Confirmations at Holy Family</i>
THURSDAY	St Augustine's	11.30 am 12.15 am	Exposition Rebecca Coriam RIP
FRIDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	12.15 pm 7.00 pm	Stations of the Cross Baby George
Saturday	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Antony Jayakody RIP Followed by CONFESSIONS
SUNDAY 25 th February 2 nd Sunday of Lent	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Sheila Miller RIP Maureen Harrison 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 - Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Betty Smith, Peter Coady, Jean Jojy and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD	Sheila Bell		
ANNIVERSARIES	February Anniversaries –John Taylor, Shaughan Bainbridge, Joseph Armstrong, Nora Kelly, May Early, Kathleen Stack, Terence Wells, Margaret Blake, Tony Regan, Ted Brownless, Donald Glendenning, James McCulla, Margaret Lindsay, Fr Seamus Doyle. May they rest in peace.		
MINISTERS	SUNDAY 25 th February		
	9.15 am		6.30 pm
WELCOMERS	St Augustine's School		Mr & Mrs Owens
OFFERTORY	St Augustine's School		C McKeown
READERS	St Augustine's School		G Connor/A Webster
COUNTERS TEAM (A) P Anwyll/C Webb/J Brown			
Sunday 11 th February		£ 359.36	
		£ 292.93 (£366.16 gift aided)	
		£ 652.29	

Please note that masses during the week may change at short notice please take a bulletin home with you, or check the diary page on the Church website staugustineschurch.org.uk