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16th September 2018 - 24th SUNDAY OF YEAR – B

BREVIARY WEEK : 2

WORD FOR TODAY

Who do I think Jesus is?

A great thinker?

A superb religious leader?

An extraordinary philosopher?

A miracle worker?

Christ, the Son of God?

The centre of my life?

Or just a person from history?

THIS WEEKEND IS HOME MISSION SUNDAY - Home Mission Sunday provides us with the opportunity to focus on spreading the Gospel in our local areas. The second collection taken today will give you the opportunity to support it. This money does not go abroad but is used to help Catholics in England and Wales become more confident in sharing their faith. You are also invited to come to a workshop called "What shall we do with the Good News?". Its aim is to explore the best ways that ordinary Catholics can share the gospel of Jesus Christ. So, if you're an ordinary Catholic, you can help! It's taking place on Thursday 20th September 2018, 7 till 8.30 pm, at St Vincent's Diocesan Offices, St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY.

MEETINGS

- **LITURGY GROUP** on Wednesday 19th September after 7pm Mass.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

First reconciliation – Saturday 9th December, First Communion Saturday 15th June.

The dates for the programme have now been agreed. All children and their parents/carers are expected to attend the 9.15am Mass on the previous Sunday before the children's sessions. The first Mass for the children and parents/carers will be next **Sunday 23rd September, 9.15am**, and the first session for the children will take place on **Saturday 29th September at 9.45am** here in Church.

Dates and times are on our website www.staugustineschurch.org.uk

KERALA APPEAL

A collection will be held after Masses on 23rd September to send money to help with the recovery after the recent flooding which has caused so much death and destruction.

The money collected will be sent to the SVP Twinnage Kerala Disaster Fund. This system gets the money directly to SVP Conferences in Kerala where there are 3,900 Conferences. The money will be used to help the local population now and in their long term recovery. Our Conference here in St Augustine's is Twinned with two Conferences in the neighbouring State of Tamil Nadu.

Fr Anthony from the Divine Retreat Centre in the former Carmelite Convent on Nunnery Lane will be speaking at the Masses on that day and will give some background to local conditions in Kerala.

The **RCIA** course will commence on

Thursday 27th September at 7pm in 10 St Augustine's Court
(opposite Main Door of Church).

This course is for all who are thinking about becoming a Catholic, or Catholics who would like to explore the faith in a supportive environment. Please let us know if you are interested, by phone (01325) 266602, or email: info@staugustineschurch.org.uk. The meetings finish no later than 8.30pm.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – FRIDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

Please come along and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and cake with friends, in St Augustine's Parish Centre from 10am – 12 noon. All proceeds to go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

HARVEST FESTIVAL – 30th September

Please bring garden/wild produce, flowers, fruits to Church on Saturday afternoon 29th September to help with our display.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) SPECIALIST PARISH CATECHESIS MODULE:

The purpose of this module is to enable participants to gain an understanding of parish catechesis and to develop approaches to working within a parish setting. It offers an introduction to the theology, principles and goals of parish catechesis.

- Dates: Saturday 6th and 13th October 2018
- Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm
- Venue: St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY
- Buffet lunch is provided both days
- Cost: £120.00 (waged) and £60.00 (unwaged). Applicants intending to engage, or already engaged, in local parish ministry may find their parish willing to assist with the course fee. Please contact your parish priest for further information.

Please contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle no later than Friday 28th September 2018 at education@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 243 3313 to register or for more information.

HOGARTH PARTNERSHIP NEWS

Partnership Matters

Contributions of news items from Partnerships are always welcome.

Partnership Mission 2018

Details of the mission are

- Carmel College week of 12th November
- Primary schools week of 19th November
- Parishes to have the weekends of 16th-18th & 23rd-25th November
- The theme is “Unbroken” – (God’s love for us is never broken)
- Saturday 22nd September there will be an “Away Day” at St William's Church Darlington, for those helping to organise events during the Mission. Please take a packed lunch, tea coffee and juice will be available throughout the day.
- There is an Open Evening for everyone on Wednesday September 26th 7-8.30 pm in St Augustine’s Parish Centre an opportunity to find out more about the Mission and how we can support it.

Please put these dates in your diary and try and come along. The more people who are involved, the more we can bring a new life to our new Partnership.

Following months of planning, it will soon be time to launch our Partnership Mission! It begins in Carmel College on 12th November, moves into our primary schools on 19th November, and lands in the parishes for the weekends either side (16th to 18th and 23rd to 25th). It will be a time of celebration and renewal of our faith, and we want everyone to be involved.

All the details will be available soon but, for a preview, come along to our
**Open Evening on Wednesday 26th September, 7 till 8.30 p.m. in
St. Augustine’s Parish Centre, Darlington.**

CATHOLIC WORKER UK IN DARLINGTON: The Catholic Worker movement founded by Servant of God Dorothy Day in New York in 1933 is growing in the UK. Members in Britain will be gathering in Darlington, Sept 29-30. Hosts are needed to provide beds for the night of Saturday 29th. If you can help, please

contact Fr Martin Newell on: 0121 772 7933 / 07985 728 464 E:

martin_newell1967@yahoo.co.uk, or the parish office.

Catholic Worker communities are based in houses of hospitality as places for the works of mercy, and are committed to 'exploding the dynamite of Catholic Social Teaching'. See www.catholicworker.org for more information.

Young People's Discipleship Training - IN PURSUIT

YMT are launching a Discipleship Program beginning with a Residential weekend at the Youth Village on 29th and 30th September. Applications are invited from young people 16 years – 21 years who wish to deepen, grow in faith and learn to lead. This will be an interactive, relevant programme for young people in our diocese. Supported by the Partnerships young people will have the opportunity share with others, listen to informed speakers and apply a real sense of discipleship in practical ways. Contact details: Youth Ministry Trust - Phillip Salkeld - inpursuit@ymt.org - 01207 592244 - Facebook page: IN Pursuit - www.hnyouthtoolkit.org.uk/inpursuit

YOUTH SUNDAY PREPARATION

An afternoon to prepare for Youth Sunday will take place at Cardinal Hume Catholic School on Sunday 7th October 3.00pm to 5.15pm. This year's Youth Sunday is on 25th November, the Feast of Christ the King. The theme is JOY. 'Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.' Romans 12:12

This Youth Sunday we celebrate the truth that Jesus shows us we can have joy in Him. Joy because He has set us free to live the life we were created to live and joy even through the challenges of life. Each church is invited to be represented by adults and young people (Year 9 and above) and there will be an opportunity to plan together and to meet other groups in the same partnership. Music and other resources will be available. Please see the parish priest if you would like to go along. Further details are available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against
me?

Then let us go to court together.

Who thinks he has a case against me?

Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

The Psalm

I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, "I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty", without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: "You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show."

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

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***ALL WEEKDAY MASSES WILL NOW BE HELD IN 10 ST AUGUSTINE'S COURT
(opposite main Church Doors)***

Mass Intentions - We are short of mass intentions – especially for those masses held during the week. Envelopes are available at the back of Church.

REFLECTION – Faith without works

A watch may have a gold chain,
but if it doesn't tell the time it is useless.
A fruit tree may be teeming with blossoms,
but if it doesn't produce fruit it is useless.
A lamp may be studded with diamonds,
but if it doesn't give light it is worthless.
And a faith that doesn't result in good works is
dead.
The fruit of prayer is faith.
The fruit of faith is love.
The fruit of love is service.
And the fruit of service is peace.

BAPTISM COURSE



Where? St Augustine's Parish Centre
When? Wednesday 7th & 14th November 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.

MARRIAGE COURSE



If you wish to marry in any of our Partnership Churches, you must attend a Marriage Preparation course. The next course for 2018 is on Saturday 13th October at St Thomas Aquinas Church 10am - 4.30pm. To book a place please ring (0800 3893801).

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA invites you to a Mass in honour of their patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come to pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers on **Wednesday 19th September** at 12 noon in St Bede's Church, 10 Westoe Rd, South Shields NE33 4LZ. Bishop Seamus will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email to salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk
www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ROMERO To mark the occasion of the canonisation of Archbishop Oscar Romero in Rome in October, Bishop Seamus will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on

Saturday 13th October at 11am at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle.

All are welcome to attend.

Archbishop Romero was assassinated in 1980 while offering Mass in San Salvador. He embraced a simple lifestyle; he was a popular preacher and responded with real compassion to the plight of the poor.

DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVERS MASS

St Mary's Cathedral 3rd November at 11.00am

If anybody would like to go please let the office know.

SEPTEMBER – SVP AWARENESS MONTH – Going beyond Boundaries

“Let us do without hesitation whatever good lies at our hands” Blessed Frederic Ozanam

At the SVP society we are aware that poverty exists beyond where we can see. You may have noticed the posters on the Parish noticeboard, which highlight just some of the places where you can find members of the SVP helping others. This could be in prisons (Deerbolt), Care Homes (Ventress, The Garden's and Elderwood) Hospital or visiting people in their own homes. In some of these instances, being a member of the SVP can be a challenge, but it is also rewarding work seeking and finding those in need, giving our support with compassion, and responding where the need is greatest. You will find SVP members serving coffee after Mass during September.

COFFEES AFTER MASS

are hosted by
SVP



PADDINGTON BEAR

This week £4.33

Money in bank £301.92

Total £31,769.80

YOGA NIDRA classes starting at 21 Coniscliffe Rd, Wednesday afternoon/evening. Information at zafu.org.uk or from Rachel McGovern

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

PARISH CENTRE BAR NEWS: FRIDAY NIGHTS ARE BACK! (FOR A WHILE...)

Following a request, Directors have reviewed Friday night opening, and decided to open the bar for one Friday night per month, to see how it goes. Our Bar Team will monitor usage and report back to the Directors in December.

Opening times are 7.30 – 11pm on the following dates:

September 21

October 5

November 9

Remember, the Parish Centre belongs to us all, and ideas for use are many and varied. These will be 'Parish' evenings, so why not bring the family and friends down one Friday night – order a pizza in (or cook it yourselves?) and hook up the TV (lounge or hall) for the kids? Or drag out a game of Trivial Pursuit/Dominoes/Cards for a nice family games night out? (It's out, but not out, out!) It's up to you of course....

Look forward to seeing you

PC Directors.

CHRISTMAS SWAGS – SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Val Guest, who led the Spring Flowers Workshop in March, will be leading a Christmas Swag workshops on Saturday 24th November in the Parish Centre. There will be a morning (11am-1.30pm) and afternoon workshops (3pm-5.30pm). All materials will be provided for participants to make and decorate their own swag (garland). The swags will make a great addition to your Christmas decorations for your home and will last till Christmas, they can also be made into a wreath for your door. Festive refreshments will also be provided.

Tickets are £23 and will be available in the Parish Centre after 9.15 mass from Sunday 7th October from Marie Newbould

All profits will go to Sunday Stop who provide a hot meal for people in need in the Parish Centre on the first Sunday of the month.

BALLROOM DANCING CLASSES

If you're a fan of Strictly and fancy having a go yourself, ballroom dancing classes could provide the perfect opportunity. We have a class in our very own Parish Centre each Thursday (other than the 3rd Thursday of the month) from 7.00pm until 9.00pm. Both novice and experienced dancers welcome. Come and enjoy expert tuition from David Laundry. You will need to bring a partner. Cost £12 per couple. For further details, contact Martin McLean on 01325 465275 or e-mail martin.mclean2@ntlworld.com

STARS Pantomime Auditions

STARS' next pantomime will be Snow White and the Seven Genies by Mike Webster - performance dates **Wednesday 23rd to Saturday 26th January 2019**, including Saturday matinee. There are opportunities for both male and female performers, including children (Year 6 and above). Please see the Parish Centre noticeboards for the list of characters.

Auditions will be held in the Parish Centre on **Friday 28th September** (Youth Hall) and **Sunday 30th September** (main hall) both at 7.30 pm. If possible, we would ask that children and other young people attend the Friday audition and adults the Sunday audition, but you will be welcome at either. If you would like to be involved, either on stage or backstage, but can't attend the auditions, please register your interest with the show's producers, John Turver and Anne Frank or with Martin McLean (tel. 01325 465275).

AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

- Copies of Pope Francis' recent letter along with a letter from James Hanvey SJ and comments from Dr Austen Ivereigh all at the back of Church.
- Diocesan Faith & Ministry Directories are available at the back of Church to look at - showing all the adult formation that is taking place between September and February 2019 within the Diocese. ***Please do not remove them from Church.***
- Latest weavings bulletin.

<u>September 16th</u>		<u>24th SUNDAY OF YEAR B</u>	
SUNDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Maureen Harrison RIP Teresa Alex RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service followed by quiet prayer 2pm
TUESDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service
WEDNESDAY	No. 10	7.00 pm	Michael Mewis RIP
THURSDAY	No. 10	12.15 pm	Kevin Cundy RIP
FRIDAY	No. 10	7.00 pm	Private Intention
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00 am	David Whalen RIP Followed by Confessions
SUNDAY 23 rd September 25 th Sunday of Year	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Rita Taylor RIP John & Valerie Cummings RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, Fr Wilfrid Elkin, Fr Jim Doherty, Sister Evelyn and all priests and religious in the diocese who have health problems. Also the sick & housebound of the parish - Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Betty Smith, Peter Coady, Philip Robinson, Elizabeth Leeman, Michael Grogan and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD			
ANNIVERSARIES	September Anniversaries – 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, Francis Baldwin, Susan Magraw. May they rest in peace.		
MINISTERS	SUNDAY 23 rd September		
	9.15 am		6.30 pm
WELCOMERS	Mr & Mrs Kilgour	R Ivanec	
READERS	R McGovern/B Hasler	C McKeown/B Humphrey	
OFFERTORY	L Carlson/B Glendenning	Mr & Mrs Holborn	
COUNTERS TEAM (A)	P Anwyll/C Webb/J Brown		
	Sunday 9 th September	£ 575.25	
	August Bankers Orders £2,320	£ 376.59 (£ 470.74 gift aided)	
	£2,785 gift aided	£ 951.84	