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 Hogarth Partnership 

St Augustine, SS. William & Francis De Sales, St Anne, St Osmund

ST AUGUSTINE'S BULLETIN

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23rd September 2018 - 25th SUNDAY OF YEAR – B

BREVIARY WEEK : 3

WORD FOR TODAY

Coming last isn't something we usually strive to do.

Yet Jesus tells us that the last place of all is the best place to put ourselves when it comes to serving others. And he should know: he emptied himself of all glory so that he could guide us towards everlasting happiness.

Those who put themselves last will be first in the kingdom.

WELCOME to the children and their parents/carers who will be making their First Reconciliation in December and their Holy Communion in June next year.

WELCOME to Fr Anthony from the Vincentian Congregation

FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

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

The first session for the children takes place next **Saturday 29th September at 9.45am** here in Church.

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

KERALA APPEAL

A collection will be held after Mass today 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.

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 and any other tinned/long life food to Church on Saturday afternoon 29th September to help with our display. Any surplus foods will be passed onto the Food Banks.

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)
- ***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.

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. Further details are available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

On 25th September I will start to do the last 130kms on the the Camino Francais to St Jacques de Compostella over 6 days. I am doing this with 3 school friends to celebrate our 70th birthdays this year. We are the original Derry Girls!. I wonder if you would consider sponsoring me in aid of 2 organisations that have some meaning to me, my family and friends. They are our own SVP Conference and Cancer Research UK. I will be in the Parish Centre after the 9.15am Mass with the SVP Group serving Coffees if you would like to add your name to my sponsor sheets.

DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVERS MASS

St Mary’s Cathedral 3rd November at 11.00am

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

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12.17-20

The godless say to themselves,

Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us
and opposes our way of life,
reproaches us for our breaches of the law
and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true,
let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is Gods son, God will take his part
and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,
and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.

The Psalm

The Lord upholds my life.

Second Reading: James 3:16 - 4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't

get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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The Piety Shop and Piety Plus.....located in the confessional

Goods will be on sale as usual before and after each mass on Sunday with someone on hand to help you and take your money! It will also be available whenever the church is open and an 'honesty box' will be there for you to put your money in.

New stock, as well as locally sourced craft bits and pieces, will be on sale in The Parish Centre after 9.15 mass on 14th October and 25th November. Please come and have a look as there will be lots of Christmas gifts and cards for all ages.

The profits from The Piety Shop will go back into church funds

The profits from Piety Plus will be donated to the SVP.

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

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.

We will celebrate it here on Sunday 14th October. The film Romero will be shown in the Parish Centre at 11.15am (after coffees).

MARRIAGE COURSE



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

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.

STARS TICKETS

STARS next production (in partnership with Darlington Green Theatre) is "Much Ado About Caesar" - abridged versions of both Much Ado About Nothing and Julius Caesar. Tickets are available in the Parish Centre after Mass, via STARS' website www.starsdarlington.co.uk, via STARS' Facebook page or by calling 07397774913.

Performance dates are [Friday 19th and Saturday 20th October at 7.30pm](#) in the Parish Centre. Ticket prices £8 adult, £6 concession. If you can't make either of these dates, Darlington Green Theatre will be performing the plays on 11th, 12th and 13th October in the Hullabaloo Theatre - see DGT Facebook page.

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 **Sunday 30th September** (main hall) both at 7.30 pm. If you can't attend but would like to be involved please contact the show's producers, John Turver and Anne Frank or with Martin McLean (tel. 01325 465275).

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...)

The bar will be open for one Friday night per month.

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

October 5

November 9

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

COFFEES AFTER MASS

are hosted by
SVP



<u>September 23rd</u>		<u>25th SUNDAY OF YEAR B</u>	
SUNDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Rita Taylor RIP John & Valerie Cummings RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service followed by quiet prayer 2pm
TUESDAY	No. 10	12.15 pm	Ellen & Thomas Howe RIP
WEDNESDAY	No. 10	7.00 pm	D/M Ahern Family
THURSDAY	No. 10	12.15 pm	Ellie & Frank McFarthing RIP
FRIDAY	No. 10	7.00 pm	Canon James Rooney RIP
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Dominic Egan RIP Followed by Confessions
SUNDAY 30 th September 26 th Sunday of Year	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Maureen Robertson RIP Joseph Mercer 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, Jason Morrison and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD	Janice & Stephen Stapleton		
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 30 th September		
	9.15 am		6.30 pm
WELCOMERS	J Wheeler	J Devine	
READERS	M Mustard/O Watson	A Webster/J Owens	
OFFERTORY	R Crosby-Stewart	G & A Connor	
COUNTERS TEAM (B)	T Appleton/ G Harrison/J Poad/C McAllister/G Doherty		
	Sunday 16 th September	£429.21	
	August Bankers Orders £2,320	£ 203.88 (£254.85 gift aided)	
	£2,785 gift aided	£ 633.09	