

St Anne, St Augustine, Holy Family, St Mary, St Osmund

# Hogarth Partnership

St Teresa, St Thomas Aquinas, SS William & Francis De Sales

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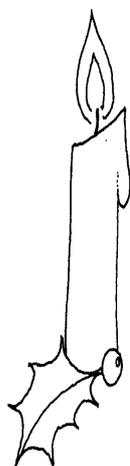
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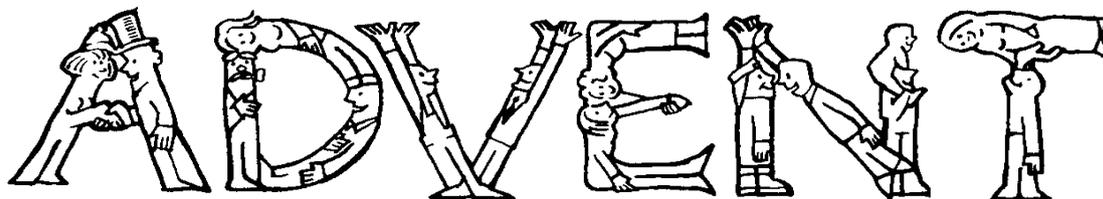
*1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent – Year A*

*Week 1 of the year : Breviary Week : 1*

## Word for Today

*At the start of the Church's New Year we prepare to meet our saviour. This is not simply a re-enactment of some 2000 year-old drama, but an invitation to renew ourselves in mind and heart as we seek afresh to find God in the ups and downs of our daily lives.*





A very warm welcome to all our visitors; we're delighted to see you and hope you have an enjoyable visit.

Please join us for Sunday morning Coffee in the Parish Centre after Mass.

**ADVENT BOOKS** – There are some advent books and Calendars available at the back of Church. *Please don't forget to take one for anyone you know who can't get to Church regularly, or who are housebound.*

### **SVP - Advent**

The SVP would like us all to think about a **“reverse” Advent Calendar** again this year, and instead of receiving something each day, you could give an item to the Food Bank/Refugee Project/Christmas hampers. Some of the suggested items would be toilet rolls, tins of sardines, any long-life food, ie milk, tins of meat, pasta, perhaps a few luxury food items, Toiletries (feminine hygiene, soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant) and don't forget about the pets. The boxes will be placed in the Church under the shelf for your contributions

**Solemn Vespers** will be held on Sunday 1st December *at English Martyrs and Ss Peter & Paul, Redhill Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 9BY* at 4:30pm to launch **The Year of the Word: "The God who Speaks"**. Parishioners from our neighbouring Partnerships Hogarth (Darlington) and Escomb (Bishop Auckland) are very welcome to come along to make this a very special occasion. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

### **DARLINGTON TOWN CENTRE CHURCHES**

are having a service in St Cuthbert's Church this Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6.30pm. *'A journey in words and music for Advent'*.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DARLINGTON** are hosting the Hustings for the General Election on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.00pm in Northgate United Reformed Church. All the candidates will be there answering questions. For more details please ring 464137 or see the website of Churches Together in Darlington, [www.churchindarlington.org.uk](http://www.churchindarlington.org.uk).

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm in 10 St Augustine's Court.

### ST CUTHBERTS CARE – Advent alms

are asking for your support to fund their Red Van. This helps to deliver thousands of food parcels, good quality clothing and toys to some of the most needy families and individuals in our Diocese. The Advent Alms will help them to keep this essential service on the road.

### CAFOD CABARET Tickets

Tickets for CAFOD Cabaret will be available after Masses from this weekend and from the Parish Centre bar, price £5. Alternatively, order by e-mail from Martin McLean at [martin.mclean31@outlook.com](mailto:martin.mclean31@outlook.com) Performance dates Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

The **EVENT** hosted by YMT will be coming to St Augustine's Parish Centre on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December from 6-8pm. This is aimed at anybody in Yrs 5 and 6 (not just St Augustine's). Please come along and join in the fun.

### PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

including those children making their First Reconciliation will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am. Please remember them in your prayers.

### Journey to Bethlehem

Saturday and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December 4-8pm at Elm Ridge Methodist Church, on behalf of Darlington Methodist Circuit. Entry is free but booking is essential. Please email [admin@darlingtoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:admin@darlingtoncircuit.org.uk) or 282491.

One of the wise men will lead you through the story of the Nativity from Nazareth to the stable. It includes refreshments at the end of your tour and will take approximately 40 minutes. See noticeboard for more details.

**STARS** Presents Aladdin, a traditional family pantomime. Wednesday 22 - Friday 24 January 2020 at 7.30pm and Saturday 25 January at 1pm matinee and 6pm evening (new times). Tickets are £10 / £5 with a 2 for 1 offer on Wednesday evening. Tickets available in the Parish Centre after each mass as well as from [www.starsdarlington.co.uk](http://www.starsdarlington.co.uk) and by calling 07397774913

**NORTHERN CROSS on sale this weekend £1.**  
**Catholic Calendars on sale in the Piety Shop £3.**

### **First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5**

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come  
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord  
shall tower above the mountains  
and be lifted higher than the hills.  
All the nations will stream to it,  
peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:  
Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the Temple of the God of Jacob  
that he may teach us his ways  
so that we may walk in his paths;  
since the Law will go out from Zion,  
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He will wield authority over the nations  
and adjudicate between many peoples;  
these will hammer their swords into ploughshares,  
their spears into sickles.  
Nation will not lift sword against nation,  
there will be no more training for war.

O House of Jacob, come,  
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

### **Psalm:**

I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
“Let us go to God’s house.”

### **Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14**

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon - let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

## Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

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### THE GREEN CHRISTIAN - REDUCE/RE-USE/RECYCLE.

**REFUSE** Refuse to believe what the adverts say. You are no less a person because you don't have this gadget or haven't been to that exotic place.

*Tip: Always wait at least 24 hours before buying something you have seen in an advert.*

*Tip: Have regular off-line days to avoid the adverts and images on social media.*

### LIBRARY IN THE PORCH

Books may be borrowed from the bookcase in the Porch.

**Peru Mission (Paddington Bear)** Any loose change (basket in the middle of Church) is forwarded onto Joe Plumb in Peru. Currently the monies raised stand at

*This week £24.95 Total £ 32,760.61.*

**LENTEN RETREAT** for young adults aged 18-35 at Stanbrook Abbey. An opportunity to pray, worship, listen to God's Word and reflect in the tranquil atmosphere of the Benedictine Monastery of Stanbrook, Wass. 6-8<sup>th</sup> March 2020 - £30 per person. For more information and to book please contact Sophie Taylor at [spirituality@dioceshn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@dioceshn.org.uk) or phone 0191 4100776.

## SUNDAY COFFEES AFTER MASS

We have the following groups booked in for next year. If you would like to take one of the free month's please let the office know – first come basis.

### *January -*

February – Inner Wheel

March – HCPT Group 95

April – St Augustine's PFA

May - Cafod

June - Kumi

### *July -*

August - (possible kitchen renovation)

September – SVP

### *October –*

November – Air Ambulance

December – Carmel HCPT



**COFFEES AFTER MASS  
are being  
Carmel HCPT**

**Kabuayanda Health Race Night.** A big thank you to all who supported this recent event by sponsoring races or horses or by coming along. Over 130 people were there on the evening and the magnificent sum of £3220 was raised. All of these monies will go towards our target of £75k to build a Health Centre in Uganda. We have now raised £53k and the building is well on it's way with the builder hoping to have it finished by Christmas. Thank you once again.

Alpha is returning to Hogarth! Following two very successful courses you are invited to attend our new course starting on January 22nd which will run for 12 weeks. See us on our new Facebook page 'Hogarth Alpha' where full details and other information will be posted. This course will be run at St William's on Barton Street. Further details will be published in later bulletin notices. Contact Ray on 07796 610757 with any questions.

### **CAN YOU HELP - AGAIN?**

We have been trying to catalogue all the pictures and photographs in the Presbytery. We are struggling to identify some. There is another sheet on the middle shelf if you can shed any light on them. Thank you.

CAFOD World Gift catalogues are available at the back of Church

## ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB/CENTRE INFORMATION

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### PARISH CENTRE INFORMATION

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

**Bar Opening Times: Sunday 7.30 - 10.30pm**

### 40<sup>th</sup> Celebration of the Parish Centre – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 7.30pm

Tickets will be available from this weekend – price £1 – which includes entry into the prize draw.

The festivities start with our outdoor nativity at 5pm followed by a Celebratory Mass at 6.30pm in Church, then back over to the Parish Centre for entertainment and refreshments.

### PARISH CENTRE NATIVITY

It's that time again! Our outdoor Nativity/Tableau will take place at 5:00pm – arrive to rehearse at 3:45pm - on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. There's also a rehearsal on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 4:30pm in the Parish Centre. We need shepherds, innkeepers and kings – no acting experience necessary - the largest speaking parts are Joseph and Gabriel as the story is mainly read by narrators. Musicians and carol singers are also needed- contact John Turver on 07946172964. Anyone who would like to take part, or anyone who has joined us before and would like to be in it again, please contact Alice Potter on 07734 049642.

### JOB VACANCY – ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB

The Parish Centre Club is currently recruiting for a permanent Bar Manager. The role is varied, interesting and involves a variety of skills that can be developed. The full job description and application forms can be obtained by emailing [staugspc@gmail.com](mailto:staugspc@gmail.com). Closing date 20/12/2019. See notice on PC noticeboard.

### DIOCESE OF H&N – EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

#### Admission Appeals Panel Members:

The Diocesan Department for Education welcomes applications from Catholic persons willing to be considered as lay or non-lay members of appeal panels for school admissions. Suitable persons will be appointed to serve on panels hearing appeals for Catholic schools within The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Please see poster for more details or the Diocesan vacancies website.

<u>December 1<sup>st</sup> 2019</u>		<u>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent - YEAR A</u>	
SUNDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Mary Dunn & Family Jack Jolly RIP
MONDAY	No. 10	12.15 pm	Eucharistic Service
TUESDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm 2.15 pm	In Thanksgiving Fun. Serv. Lilian Stephenson
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Martin Newbould RIP
THURSDAY	St Augustine's	12.15pm	D/M Kidson Family
FRIDAY	St Augustine's St Augustine's	12.45 pm 7.00 pm	Fun. Serv. David Ord William Wiggins RIP
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00am	Deirdre Allen RIP Followed by Confessions
SUNDAY 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent Yr A	St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Cliff & Louisa Hutchinson RIP Charlie & Alice Frank RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, Fr Wilfrid Elkin, and all priests and religious in the diocese and people of the parish who have health problems. Also the sick & housebound of the parish - Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Betty Smith, Philip Robinson, Elizabeth Leeman, Michael Grogan, Joan McIntyre, Betty Poad, Eunice Davis and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD	Lilian Stephenson, David Ord		
ANNIVERSARIES	<b>December Anniversaries</b> – Stella Davies, Emma Howard, Thomas Wake, Keith Cowan, Mary & James Courtney, Teresa Conway, Jean Carter, Dennis Beaumont, Erin Adam, John Fay, Francis O'Hare, Moira Griffin, Joe Lyonette, Hilda McCallum, Anthony Millett, James Christey, Alsdon Di-Duca, Paul McGregor, Peggy Coatman, Alan Sisk, Bernard Carrigan, Mike Bennett. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>		

MINISTERS	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	
	9.15 am	6.30 pm
WELCOMERS	S Horner/P Loney/R Lynch	C Spence/P Widdall
READERS	C McAllister/S Lund	A Webster/G Connor
OFFERTORY	P Ingham/S Noble	R Thorensen
COUNTERS TEAM (D)	J Kilgour/M Knowles/C McKeown/B Tully	

### THIS SUNDAY

1 <sup>st</sup> December	9.15 am	6.30 pm
<b>WELCOMERS</b>	T Anwyll/Appleton Family	C Spence/P Holborn
<b>READERS</b>	A Fawcett/A Nicholson	A Connor/P Mann
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Bowman Family	J Crowe