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# Hogarth Partnership

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21<sup>st</sup> June 2020 – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (Year A)

## WORD FOR TODAY

What are you really afraid of?

Losing all your money? Being abandoned by your friends? Dying? Losing your reputation?

Don't be afraid about any of these, says Jesus. If you want something to occupy your mind with then take stock of your relationship with the One who holds your very being in the palm of his hands.

Continuing message from Gordon Ryan, Priest in Charge.

14<sup>th</sup> June 2020

We continue to endure the limitations and the restrictions that the virus has imposed on us. We have been forced to admit that we are not in control, but humility must not descend into depression or despair.

Our hearts go out to all who have been bereaved and have not been able to say goodbye as they would have liked. We reach out to those who are sick and those who care for them, especially if they cannot visit.

We continue to encourage and thank all who are maintaining essential services. We sympathise with those who work in education and the need to be concerned for our children who are missing out.

As we look forward to fewer restrictions we must not take un-necessary risks. Some churches are opening for private prayer under strict conditions but we have no idea when we will be able to resume Sunday Mass and what conditions will apply.

It is a great disappointment that Baptisms, Weddings and First Communions have had to be postponed until whenever. We do know Mass on FaceBook from St Augustine's or another media from other churches has added a new dimension to our lives and thank you to those who make it possible and to those who respond.

Please keep in touch with one another and God.

God bless,

Keep safe,

Gordon Ryan

*The office is closed for the time being,  
If you wish to speak/contact Fr Gordon please ring the office -  
266602 or email [info@staugustineschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@staugustineschurch.org.uk).*

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*I will be saying Mass privately every day  
if you wish to join me in spirit.*

*Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.15am – Maria Lancaster's Ints.*

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am – Josie Anwyll RIP*

Please let us know if you would like a mass intention on a particular date.

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, Elizabeth Leeman, Michael Grogan, Joan McIntyre, Doris Trees, Pat Cunningham & Sylvia McGee and all those looking after them.
LATELY DEAD <b>+</b>	Gerry Lynch, Betty Poad
ANNIVERSARIES	<b>June Anniversaries</b> – Rita Taylor, Lily & John Abela, Susan O’Hare, John Biagioni, Josie Anwyll, Patricia Brack, Matthew Frazer, Janet Fletcher, Jack Ahern, Terry Murphy, John Clifton, Vera Ramsay, Arthur Trees, Patricia Ferguson, Beverley Webster, Josephine McLafferty, Stephen Tarelli, Anne Kenny, Patricia Cooke, Judith Wilson, Hilda Hauxwell, Geoffrey Start. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>

### RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES

**Bishop Robert Byrne CO has announced the re-opening of the first two churches for individual prayer from Monday 15 June 2020**

**St. Mary’s Cathedral, Newcastle upon Tyne:** Open daily from 1.00pm – 4.00pm (including Saturday and Sunday) plus 9.30am – 11.15am on Saturday and Sunday only.

**St. Mary’s Church, Sunderland:** Open from 10.00am to 1.00pm, Monday to Friday.

**St. Aidan’s Church, Ashington:** Reopened as a one-off on Friday 19 June from 1.00pm to 4.00pm (for Feast of the Sacred Heart), and then will be open regularly from 1.00pm to 4.00pm on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. Last entry will be 3.30pm.

**St. Patrick's Church, Consett:** Reopens on Saturday 20 June at 11.00am and then will be open Monday to Saturday 11.00am to 2.00pm and Sunday 2.00pm to 4.00pm.

Due to social distancing measures, there will be a limited capacity in each church. Should the maximum capacity of a church be met, a queueing system will be implemented outside of the Church.

Further details, including the date and times of opening, will be announced as they become available.

## First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said:  
I hear so many disparaging me,  
Terror from every side!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!  
All those who used to be my friends  
watched for my downfall,  
Perhaps he will be seduced into error.  
Then we will master him  
and take our revenge!

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;  
my opponents will stumble, mastered,  
confounded by their failure;  
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.  
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,  
who scrutinise the loins and heart,  
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,  
for I have committed my cause to you.  
Sing to the Lord,  
praise the Lord,  
for he has delivered the soul of the needy  
from the hands of evil men.

### PSALM

In your great love, answer me, O God.

## Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

### Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

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#### ***An Act of Spiritual Communion***

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there,  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden.  
***(Corrie Ten Boom)***

**DAY FOR LIFE  
CHOOSE LIFE  
21<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2020**

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death.

The Holy Father sent the following message – communicated by the Holy See's Secretary of State: "His Holiness Pope Francis sends prayerful good wishes for the celebration of the 2020 Day for Life in England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland. "The theme 'Choose Life' is particularly fitting in this twenty-fifth anniversary year of Saint John Paul II's Encyclical Evangelium Vitae, which summoned the entire Church to be 'a people of life and for life' (n: 78). "In these days when our world faces the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic, the Holy Father asks the faithful to pray for all those families, volunteers and healthcare professionals committed, often heroically, to the care and healing of the suffering, and for all those who, amid the continuing 'pandemic' of poverty and war, work to uphold the God-given value and dignity of every human person. "It is his hope that amid the present crisis, all will be led to a greater appreciation of the moral imperative to build a 'culture of life' marked by ever greater concern for nurturing, protecting and promoting the integral welfare of all God's children, beginning with the most vulnerable. With these sentiments, the Holy Father gives the assurance of his closeness in prayer and cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of joy and peace in the Lord."

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/papal-message-day-for-life-2020/>

Bishop Robert says thank you to everyone who is helping to overcome the challenges, and assures us of his prayers.

**Please remember to pray for all those affected by Coronavirus, including NHS Staff, carers, key workers and all those whose business or livelihood is affected.**

Please also remember in your prayers all our young people within the partnership who would have been making their First Communion during the months of May and June.

## COUNSELLING AND LISTENING SERVICES

As part of the pastoral care of parishioners and others during this COVID-19 lockdown, a number of qualified counsellors and listeners have generously made themselves available to anyone who may be troubled by the negative effects of the situation. These counsellors and listeners can be contacted through the St Mary's Cathedral Listening Service on 0191 232 6953 and the Northumberland Listening Service on 07732 980740.

If anybody would like to change their envelope donation to a direct debit our bank details are as follows:

DHN Darlington St Augustine A registered Charity  
HSBC Bank Account No. **11163914** Sort Code **40-34-18**

Thank you to all those parishioners who are supporting us via a weekly/monthly payment through the bank.

**FOOD BANK** – please leave any donations *inside the door of the Presbytery.*

**King's Foodbank** Opening Times: Mon, Wed & Fri, 1pm – 3pm

Find us on Facebook Tel. 01325 469884

King's Church, Prospect Place, Whessoe Road, Darlington DL3 0QT

**St.Columba's** Opening Times: Friday, 11:00am – 12:00noon

St.Columba's Church, Clifton Ave, Darlington DL1 5EE

If you know of anybody in need please contact John Kilgour at, [JohnK@svp-tyne.org.uk](mailto:JohnK@svp-tyne.org.uk) or phone the office (266602) and leave a message.

**You can donate directly by bank transfer to The SVP or Kings Foodbank for details please contact John on the email - [JohnK@svp-tyne.org.uk](mailto:JohnK@svp-tyne.org.uk).**

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## **FIRST STOP DARLINGTON**

The local charity helping those in need and distress are operating a telephone system for advice on benefits, housing and any difficulties people may be experiencing please contact freephone 0808 196 3144.

## **COMMUNITY PEER MENTOR**

### **Supporting people across County Durham and Darlington.**

If you are feeling vulnerable or isolated please ring the office (266602) or email [Community.PeerMentors@durham.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Community.PeerMentors@durham.pnn.police.uk) and we can arrange for somebody to ring and talk to you.

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## **CHURCH SERVICES**

The Pope's daily Masses at Casa Santa Marta and the Sunday Angelus are being streamed live on the **Vatican's YouTube channel**. No need to watch live, tune in at any time.

- **St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle**  
[Cathedral's YouTube Channel](#). Each day at 12.00 noon (Sunday at 11.30am) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and devotions live streamed at 5.00pm each day.

There is a full list on the website of those churches (that we know of) within the Diocese which are live-streaming Masses, prayer services, benediction, Exposition of the Eucharist.

**DIAL A MASS** service – if you know of anybody who doesn't have internet access there is the opportunity to listen to mass on the phone. From 12 noon on a Sunday dial 01642 130120 (which is charged at local rates) and listen to the 12 noon Sunday Mass at Middlesbrough Cathedral – this was set up by the Knights of St Gregory. The Mass is recorded and can be listened to anytime during the week.

**THE VICARIATE FOR FAITH & MISSION** are able to provide copies of our lockdown prayer resources to those without internet access and contact for those who are thinking about becoming a Catholic. Please contact the Vicariate by ringing 07375 934713, or get in touch via [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).