

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

# Hogarth Partnership

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

## ST AUGUSTINE'S

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*22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 – Christ The King*

## WORD FOR TODAY

The Church's liturgical year ends with the promise that no matter how far we may wander from God he will never abandon us. Like a shepherd he is able to tend to our needs, to bind us up and to restore us to health, feeding us on the pasture of his word and sacraments. There is nothing we shall want.

NOVEMBER is the month of Holy Souls, when we remember and pray for those who have died, especially our loved ones. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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*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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*Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 9.15am – Jack Jolly RIP  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 9.15am – Elizabeth Leeman RIP*

### RE-OPENING OF CHURCH

As from 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020

All places of worship closed except for private prayer  
Funerals limited to 30 people only.

*Church will be closed for private worship and Mass for the next four weeks,  
I will continue to offer masses privately.*

*Sunday Mass will continue to be live-streamed at 9.15am.*

St Thomas' is open for Individual Prayer:

Sunday 22<sup>ND</sup> November 10am—11am

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 10am—11am      Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 10am—11am

Sunday 29<sup>TH</sup> November 10am—11am

FOOD BANK – please take any donations *direct* to the Food Banks.

**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).

EXCITING NEW PROJECT - LIVING ADVENT CALENDAR TRAIL - want to join in?  
LAST FEW WINDOWS AVAILABLE  
Trail starts 29th November!

Because of the uncertainty of the restrictions, we have found a **new way for our community to celebrate Advent and prepare for Christmas** this year. We are planning an Advent Trail which can be accessed safely, throughout the season, without the need for a gathering.

The plan is for different parishioners to decorate and light up a window each day of Advent to form a 'Living Advent Calendar' which can be appreciated by the whole community. You don't need to be a fabulous artist, you just need to have a few ideas and a little bit of enthusiasm. **Advice / socially distanced help available.** In order to avoid repetition, volunteers will be given a choice of themes. It is a great idea to get your whole family involved.

Obviously this will need a little bit of planning so it would be great if you could let us know as soon as possible if you are interested to 'host' a window.

Email [info@staugustineschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@staugustineschurch.org.uk)

Phone 266602

Message the parish FB page

There are a few important points.

- The window should be visible from the road (we don't want to encourage people onto your property)
- It can be upstairs or downstairs
- You need to be happy for the name of your road (but not your name) to be included in the trail details
- The window needs to be lit daily between 4pm and 8pm
- The window should stay decorated from the allotted day until the Epiphany (6th January)

Families and parishioners will be able to spot the windows at their own convenience, whilst keeping within the current guidelines and avoiding gathering. It sounds like fun doesn't it?

Hurry to volunteer to host a window...



### First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12.15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

### PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd  
there is nothing I shall want.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26.28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

## Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

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**THANK YOU** to those parishioners who donate by standing order every month, and those who have changed from envelope to standing order.

If you would like to change your envelope donation and pay direct:  
(can you please use your name and envelope number as the reference)

our bank details are as follows:

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

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## REFLECTION – The Victory of Love

On the cross Jesus endured insults and mockery.  
Yet his heart remained open, even to his enemies.  
He absorbed all the violence, transformed it,  
and returned it as love and forgiveness.  
One's pain can so easily turn into rage,  
so that one wants only to lash out blindly  
at whoever happens to be within range.  
From the depths of his own pain,  
Jesus reached out to comfort the thief.  
Some people are like sugar cane:  
even when crushed in the mill, what they yield is sweetness.  
Jesus stretches our capacity for compassion.  
He challenges our idea of love.  
Each of us has a great capacity for love.  
The pity is that it often goes unused.  
By our love people will know that we  
are followers of Christ the King.

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## DONATIONS

At our last Parish Council meeting it was agreed that we would support those Charities/Appeals where we would have had a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection after Sunday Mass. It was agreed that on behalf of the parishioners of St Augustine's we would send £500 to each of the following:

Holy Places	Day for Life
Apostleship of the Sea	Youth Mission Team
Cafod – Fast Day	Little Sisters of the Poor
Fr Sarves – India	Columban Fathers
SVP	

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We would like to have a meeting – via Zoom – on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm to discuss any changes to the Government restrictions which may have an impact on our plans for Christmas.

The link will be sent out via email.

The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA), published its investigation report into the Catholic Church in England and Wales this week. This is based on the main public hearings held in October and November 2019. Bishop Byrne CO and the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle fully supports the response from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales: If you have been affected by this report further support is also available: See statement on the Diocesan website.

1. You can contact the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle Safeguarding Team on 0191 243 3305.
2. '*Safe Spaces*' is an independent service supporting survivors of church-related abuse. This independent service is run by the charity Victim Support and is free to access via telephone – 0300 303 1056 (answerphone available outside of opening times), email – [safespaces@victimsupport.org](mailto:safespaces@victimsupport.org), or web-chat via [www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk](http://www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk).
3. Other organisations offering support can also be found via the Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service at <https://www.csas.uk.net/>.

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## STAY SAFE

There has been a massive increase in 'Scams' and 'Frauds' in the last 6 months.

Please remember:

- The Police will never ring you and tell you that a fraud has taken place against you and ask you to ring them back on 999 – This is a Scam!
- HMRC will NEVER threaten to issue you with a warrant for your arrest if you do not follow the instructions from a voicemail or text
- HMRC will NEVER text you to inform you that you have a tax rebate
- No Bank will just text or call you to inform you that there has been fraudulent use on your account

If you receive a call and you are unsure ask them to call you back in 10 minutes and then ring a friend or relative; this will show if your line has been held open by offenders who may be posing as police.

If you are unsure ring 101 and ask to speak to someone from Durham Constabulary and ask them to check if the request is true.

If you feel you have been the victim of a fraud please ring 101 and ask for Durham Constabulary and let them know

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<u>November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020</u>		<u>Christ the King - Year (A)</u>	
SUNDAY	Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Jack Jolly RIP
MONDAY		10.30 am	Funeral Serv. Al Gunnell RIP Ints. Of Dunleavy Family
TUESDAY			Holy Souls
WEDNESDAY			Arnette Bisson RIP
THURSDAY			Kathleen Trees RIP
FRIDAY			Annie & Charlie Martin RIP
SATURDAY			Madeleine Trees RIP
SUNDAY 29 <sup>th</sup> November 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Year B	Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Elizabeth Leeman 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, Michael Grogan, Doris Trees, Sylvia McGee & Robyn Drummond and all those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD <b>+</b>			
ANNIVERSARIES	<b>November Anniversaries</b> – Gordon Davies, Thomas Taylor, Kathleen Taylor, Mary Ord, Francis Keenan, Louisa Temple, Mary Appleby, Mavis McGuirl, Joan Beckwith, Joan Green, Jimmy Bailie, Margaret Urwin, Patricia Richardson, Danny O’Toole, Pat Coates, Lillian Stephenson, David Ord, Jack Jolly. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>		

### ***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.