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24th January 2021 – 3rd Sunday of Year B

WORD FOR TODAY

Repentance is fundamental to the daily life of a Christian. It means being aware of the ways in which we can and must alter our behaviour patterns, our ways of thinking and acting, our outlook on God and others. And repentance is not a once and for all thing; it is something that we have to check on each night and agree to every morning.

*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.*

***After consultation with the Parish Council the decision has
been taken to close St Augustine's Church
until further notice.***

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended,

Funerals limited to 30 people only

Weddings limited to 6 people only.

Church is now closed for Sunday and weekday Masses.

I will continue to offer Mass privately during the week.

The 9.15am Mass will be live-streamed.

Sunday 24th January

9.15am – Tom Cunningham RIP

Sunday 31st January

9.15am – Cath & Tony Brockley on their
40th Wedding Anniversary

St Thomas' and Holy Family Church are now closed.

STATEMENT from the Bishops Conference

The global spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a fast evolving situation. From Tuesday, 5 January 2021, a new lockdown will be in force for England to curb the transmission of the virus. Catholic churches in England can remain open for communal worship such as the celebration of Mass providing the necessary steps are taken to keep people safe.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from 18 – 25 January, the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul. This year, resources have been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The theme that was chosen, "*Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit*", is based on John 15: 1 – 17 and expresses Grandchamp Community's vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity in the Church and the human family. Resources can be found [online here](#).

A PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Lord, you invite us to share together in your love.
You call on us to see the beauty of each other's expression of the faith,
and to see the unity beyond the differences that can make us afraid.
Fill our hearts with the love of you, and make us new again.
Open our eyes afresh to our part in your love for the world,
that as one body we may sing your praise,
serve the needy, and seek the lost.
Amen.

LATEST SCAM – CORONAVIRUS VACCINE

Criminals are using the COVID-19 vaccine to target the public by tricking them to hand over cash or financial details. They are sending convincing looking text messages letting people know they are eligible for the vaccine or phoning people directly pretending to be from the NHS, or local pharmacy

The NHS will:

- NEVER ask for payment - the vaccine is free
- NEVER ask for your bank details
- NEVER arrive unannounced at your home to administer the vaccine
- NEVER ask you to prove your identity by sending copies of personal documents such as your passport

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 2021:

'*Be a light in the darkness*' is the theme for 2021's Holocaust Memorial Commemoration.

As the Diocese are unable to hold commemorations in the two host schools, St. Mary's, Newcastle and St. Michael's, Billingham the department is currently putting together an online commemoration, which should be available to view from Monday 25 January. This online event will feature contributions from both schools as well as a witness testimony provided by cellist Anita Lasker Wallfisch, recalling her memories of playing in the Auschwitz Orchestra. Her grandson Simon, a cellist and tenor has also provided us with a recording of '*Kaddish*', the Jewish memorial prayer. More information on how to access this commemoration will be posted on the Diocesan [website](#) in the New Year.

First Reading : Ezekiel 36:24-2836

The Lord says this:

I am going to take you from among the nations and gather you together from all the foreign countries, and bring you home to your own land. I shall pour clean water over you and you will be cleansed; I shall cleanse you of all your defilement and all your idols. I shall give you a new heart, and put a new spirit in you; I shall remove the heart of stone from your bodies and give you a heart of flesh instead. I shall put my spirit in you, and make you keep my laws and sincerely respect my observances. You will live in the land which I gave your ancestors. You shall be my people and I will be your God.

Responsorial Psalm

The lord is my shepherd;
Thee is nothing I shall want.

Second reading - Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ. Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Reading - John 17:20-26

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:
"Holy Father,
I pray not only for these,
But for those also
Who through their words will believe in me.

May they all be one.
Father, may they be one in us,
As you are in me, and I am in you
So that the world may believe it was you who sent me.
I have given them the glory you gave to me,
That they may be one as we are one.
With me in them and you in me,
May they be so completely one
That the world will realise that it was you who sent me
And that I have loved them as much as you loved me.
Father,
I want those you have given me
To be with me where I am,
So that they may always see the glory
You have given me
Because you loved me
Before the foundation of the world.
Father, Righteous One,
The world has not known you,
But I have known you,
And these have known
That you have sent me.
I have made your name known to them
And will continue to make it known,
So that the love with which you loved me may be in them,
And so that I may be in them."

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MASS INTENTIONS

We have very few Mass intentions for January. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular person or intention please let us know. It is traditional to make a monetary offering according to your means.

REFLECTION – Good news for sinners

Today we are in danger of being drowned in bad news.

Jesus began his ministry by announcing good news.

What was this good news?

That the kingdom of heaven had come.

The kingdom stands for the fulfilment of the promises,
the fullness of God's blessings,
in short, the new order of things.

Forgiveness is available. Recovery is possible.

God's love is unconditional
and is available to us in Christ.

All we have to do is recognise our need,
and seek his help with humility and sincerity.
Unless we repent we can't hear the good news.

JOB VACANCY - ST AUGUSTINE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL - CARETAKER

This is a permanent but part-time position -

20 hrs per week, 31 days annual leave, plus bank holidays.

Closing date: 1st February 2021

Visits to the school can be arranged in line with their Covid-19 visitor risk assessment. Please contact the school office to arrange. Further details and application forms are available from the school website:

www.staugustines.bhcet.org.uk

For more information about this post please call the school office on 01325 380819.

Completed application forms to be emailed to

recruitment@staugustinesacademy.org.uk or posted to

Mrs M McCollom, Headteacher, St. Augustine's R.C. Primary School,
Beechwood Avenue, Darlington, DL3 7HP.

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 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.

DIOCESAN COURSES

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word:**

For anyone involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) to explore ideas and experience of virtual presentations for our young parishioners. Contact the vicariate to register for the next online meeting, and find out about joining the community network of CLOW leaders from across the Diocese.

- **Called & Gifted**

God is calling you to a work of love that will fill your life with purpose and joy. Are you ready to discern your gifts? Our new programme starts on Wednesday 24 February 2021 and if you would like to apply for a place, please [email us](#) by Friday 19 February. See our [poster](#) or visit <https://siena.org/charisms-faq> for more information.

Contact details:

Vicariate of Faith & Mission by [email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk) or by tel: 0191 243 3316 or mob: 07375 934713.

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

| <u>January 24th 2021</u> | <u>3rd Sunday of Year (B)</u> | | |
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| SUNDAY | Live-Streamed | 9.15 am | Tom Cunningham RIP |
| MONDAY | Privately | | Rose & Keith Cowan RIP |
| TUESDAY | | | |
| WEDNESDAY | Privately | | Kath Webber RIP |
| THURSDAY | Privately | | D/M Kilgour family |
| FRIDAY | Privately | | Kevin McKeown RIP |
| SATURDAY | Privately | | Ints. of Meszaros Family |
| SUNDAY 31 st January 4 th Sunday (Year B) | Live-Streamed | 9.15 am | Cath & Tony Brockley 40 th Wedding Anniversary |
| 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 ✝ | Patrick Dolan, Elfreda Francis, Robert Daykin, Patricia Robinson | | |
| ANNIVERSARIES | January Anniversaries – Osmund Poad, John Daley, Jack & Jimmy Taylor, Peter Taylor, William Lisle, Kevin McKeown, Valerie Haigh, Clifford Hutchinson, Michael Devitt, Mary Jones, Stanley Smollett, Ethel Maxwell, Stephen Love, Edward Jones, Margaret Patterson, Hilda & Domenico Bambino, Maureen Harrison, Tommy Marley, Peter Gilligan, Rose Cowan, Brian Simpson, Dorothy Catterall, Neville Patterson, George White <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.