

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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13th June 2021 - 11th Sunday of the Year B

WORD FOR TODAY

God's plan for the world, the setting-up of the kingdom, is taking place as history unfurls.

We might not always be able to see its signs but Jesus assures us that it is occurring already.

The crucial thing for us is not to wonder how this is happening but to make sure we are part of it.

*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.*

***St Augustine's Church is open for Sunday 9.15am Mass
(still being live-streamed via Facebook)
and weekday masses***

*The number to ring to book in for Sunday mass
07786 615638*

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended,

*Funerals at St Augustine's may have 60 people attending
Weddings limited to 30 people only*

*Sunday 13th June 9.15am – Susan O'Hare RIP
Sunday 20th June 9.15am –*

MASS TIMES within the partnership

Saturday 5pm St Anne's

Saturday 6.30pm St Mary's Barnard Castle

Sunday 9am St William's

Sunday 9am Holy Family

Sunday 9.15am St Augustine's

Sunday 9.30am St Osmund's Gainford

Sunday 10.30am St Teresa's

Sunday 10.30am St Thomas Aquinas

Most people are now returning to Church, but the distance restrictions still remain in place, and there is still a limited amount of people allowed in church. Please remember to book attendance in ALL churches to ensure you will have a seat.

Please note we are not allowed to have anybody upstairs in Church.

New GP Data Collection

If you live in England and want to stop your **GP data** leaving your GP's practice for purposes other than your direct care, you can do so by filling in and giving or posting a form to your GP. You can download this form from www.medconfidential.org/how-to-opt-out The deadline date is **23/06/2021**.

We Welcome Fr. Thomas Mason who has completed his first week serving St. Osmund's, St. Mary's and the Ordinariate Darlington. We hope that he will enjoy his time with us.

Continuing the Journey (Beyond RCIA)

Some people may feel that they would like to pause and reflect at the end of their RCIA journey, whilst others may be asking what next after RCIA? For anyone who has completed an RCIA programme, we are offering an opportunity to continue the process of learning and sharing the Faith, using video and group discussion, through five online Zoom sessions in June/July. These will take place on Wednesdays at 7.00 pm beginning on June 30th, followed by July 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th. Each session will last for around 1¼ hours. Please register at <https://forms.office.com/r/LMPReCA8nK> or contact Faith & Mission by email at adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

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.

DHN JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT

This project is gradually re-opening and they now need your food donations. Any of the following priority items will be gratefully received: - *tinned tomatoes, chickpeas, fish (tuna, sardines in oil or water only), toilet rolls, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant*. A basket will be at the back of Church, under the shelf, where you can leave your donations. If you would prefer to make a financial donation you can do so either by bank transfer to: - A/C name: - DHN Justice & Peace Refugee Project, Sort Code: - 40-34-18 A/C No: - 52854058 or by Cheque in the name of above account and sent/given to me. Marjory Knowles (J & P Treasurer) Marjory.knowles@gmail.com

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a shoot
and plant it myself on a very high mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes the withered green.
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.

The Psalm

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight - we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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June 13th is the Feast of St Anthony. The reason for invoking St. Anthony's help in finding lost or stolen things is traced back to an incident in his own life. Anthony had a book of psalms that was very important to him because it had the notes and comments he had made to use in teaching students in his Franciscan Order. A novice who had grown tired of living religious life decided to leave the community. When he went off, he also took Anthony's Psalter! Upon realising his Psalter was missing, Anthony prayed that it would be found or returned to him. And after his prayer the thieving novice was moved to return the Psalter to Anthony and return to the Order which accepted him back. And the stolen book is said to be preserved in the Franciscan friary in Bologna.

Shortly after his death people began praying through Anthony to find or recover lost and stolen articles. And the Responsory of St. Anthony's feast, composed by his contemporary, Julian of Spires, proclaims:

The sea obeys and fetters break
And lifeless limbs thou dost restore
While treasures lost are found again
When young or old thine aid implore."

June - The month dedicated to the Sacred Heart

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing,
I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins
I offer you this poor heart of mine.

Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will.

Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you.

Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions.

Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs,
your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death.

EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME – SETTLED OR PRE-SETTLED STATUS

If you're a European Union (EU), European Economic Area (EEA) or Swiss citizen, you and your family will need to apply to get settled status before 30 June 2021 to continue to live in the UK after this time. It will also mean you can continue to access public services, such as the NHS, as you do now.

It is free to apply for settled status through the Home Office.

- you can find out more by checking [the steps you need to take to apply](#)
- watch the [Home Office video guide to applying](#)

Proud Catholics

Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East? We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm, currently via Zoom. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 15th June, with the theme 'What's on your mind?'

Members and all those who want to join us are invited to share and discuss matters that concern them regarding faith, the Church, sexuality and gender or any other matters. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website

<http://www.proud Catholics.co.uk>

The person who will lead the next meeting has already prepared some very deep questions to share and reflect upon during the meeting, so I expect it will be a powerful opportunity for all those who want to explore faith and the reasons behind it.

FINANCES

We have just submitted our year end accounts to the Diocese.

	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2019-20</u>
Payments	£71k	£118k
Receipts	£70k	£115k

- Church collections were down over £33k, although there was an increase in the monies received into the bank from people changing from envelope and some significant single donations.
- We received no income from the hire of the PC – a reduction of £25k
- We had to draw down some £17k from our deposit account
- There was an increase in admin – telephone costs
- The Diocesan Levy was paid direct from the deposit account £11k
- Reduction of salaries due to the Furlough Scheme.

We have also seen a reduction in the money held in our deposit account

- We have lost the income from the rent of 40A Coniscliffe Road,
- Insurance claim for the boundary wall at the Parish Centre.
- Payment of Diocesan Levy (£11k)
- Transfer of money into the current account

Offertory Monies – Thank you

	<u>Gift Aid</u>	<u>Non Gift Aid</u> (inc env & Church collections)	
April	£3,189.50	£ 1,137.00	= £4,326.50
May	£3,057.50	£ 548.00	= £3,615.50

A comparison from the year 2019 when Church was fully open shows that in:

April Total offertory was £6,471.50

May Total offertory was £5,160.00

Church Boiler Update

Whilst the weather is lovely and sunny, and we don't need the heating on, the Church boiler is being replaced – should be up and running by next week. Let's hope we don't need to try it out for a few weeks. The cost will be around £9K.

<u>JUNE 13th 2021</u>		<u>11th Sunday of Year (B)</u>	
SUNDAY	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Susan O'Hare RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Gerry Lynch RIP
TUESDAY			
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Betty Poad RIP
THURSDAY	St Augustine's		NO MASS
FRIDAY	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Ints of Teresa Kelly
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00 am	David Lyons RIP
SUNDAY 20 th June 12 th Sunday of the Year B	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Eileen Tobin RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	<p>Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, and all priests and religious in the diocese and people of the parish who have health problems.</p> <p>Also the sick & housebound of the parish - Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Betty Smith, Michael Grogan, Doris Trees, Sylvia McGee, Robyn Drummond, Iris McCready, Anna Lloyd and all those looking after them.</p>		
LATELY DEAD 			
ANNIVERSARIES	<p>June Anniversaries – Rita Taylor, Lily & John Abela, Terry Murphy, Susan O'Hare, Josie Anwyll, Janet Fletcher, Margaret Keelan, Stephen Tarelli, Anne Kenny, Patricia Cooke, Judith Wilson, Hilda Hauxwell, Geoffrey Start, Gerry Lynch, Betty Poad, Joseph Degnan, Thomas Finlay. <i>May they rest in peace.</i></p>		

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.