

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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22nd August 2021 - 21st Sunday of the Year B

WORD FOR TODAY

To celebrate the eucharist is to make a choice: by eating and drinking the body and blood of Christ we profess Jesus to be the Lord of our lives. Today our worship is an act of renewal, a rededication in faith to follow wherever Jesus may lead.

Whom else could we possibly follow?

*St Augustine's Church is open for Sunday 9.15am Mass
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 attending

Weddings may have 60 attending

Sunday 22nd August 9.15am – Dorothy Tobin RIP

Sunday 29th August 9.15am – Chris & Gail Wiper's 40th Wedding Anniversary

Bishop Robert has asked us to retain all of the COVID control measures and cleaning protocols that are in place until at least the end of August 2021.

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 (plus live streamed via facebook)

Sunday 9.30am St Osmund's Gainford

Sunday 10.30am St Teresa's

Sunday 10.30am St Thomas Aquinas

Some 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.

A REMINDER for when attending Mass:

- Please continue to book for Sunday Mass. The number to ring 07786 615638. No bookings required for the weekday masses
- Please continue to wear a face covering
- Sanitise hands on entry to the Church
- Social distancing- please sit in the places marked, family groups can sit together.

FUTURE MEETINGS (to be held in Church)

- **Parish Council** – Thursday 2nd September 6pm in Church
- **Justice and Peace** – Thursday 2nd September 7pm. How do we respond to the UN Report on Climate Change? (everybody welcome)

CARMELITE CONVENT for those people who are not aware, the Convent in Cleveland Avenue has now closed.

Sister Jude moved to the Holy Cross nursing home some months ago, and after Sister Francis died Sister Carmela didn't feel that she could leave Sister Jude on her own and has also moved into the home. They have rooms opposite each other and whilst this is a big transition, both Sisters appear happy and contented. Sister Carmela is looking forward to the time when she can potter in the garden and when they are both able to receive The Eucharist on a daily basis when restrictions are lifted.

If you would like to contact them any cards or letters can be given to Fr Kevin at St Thomas'/Holy Family and he will take them when he visits. Please also remember Sister Jude, Sister Carmela and the Carmelite Community in your prayers during this time of transition.

A DAY OF REFLECTION FOR LEADERS OF RCIA GROUPS

Saturday 11th September 10.30-3.30pm at St Joseph's Parsh Hall, Gateshead. If you wish to attend you must book by Monday 6th September by email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk, or 07375 934713.

We are planning a grand Re-opening of the Church, probably in October and with all the groups that are part of our Church being represented. We have made a list and if we have missed anybody please let us know. Would members of these groups be on standby to promote their groups.

Parish Priest/Administrator, Parish Centre Committee, Parish Club Committee, Parish Council, Finance Committee, Gift Aid, Safeguarding. Mass Preparation Group/IT, Servers, Sacristans, Readers, Welcomers, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Groups 9.15 & 6.30, Children's Liturgy, Display (flowers), Piety Shop, Church Cleaners.

Sacramental Preparation, Baptism, 1st Holy Communion, Marriage, Confirmation, RCIA, Alpha, Prayer Groups.

SVP, Justice & Peace, CAFOD, Kumi, Sunday Stop, First Stop, Credit Union, HCPT, Hospital Chaplaincy Visitors, Lunch Group, Church Catering Group, Gardens & Maintenance, STARS, Schools.

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2.15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.

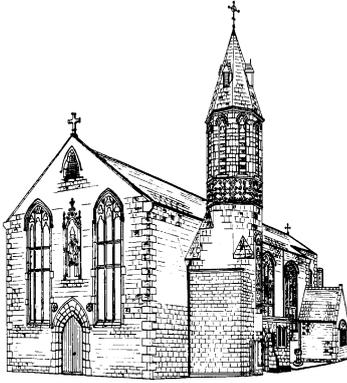
The people answered, We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

The Psalm

Taste and see that the Lord is good

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.



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August 2021

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Class of 2021 (Those in Yr 5 or older as of September 2021)**

All classes will take place on Thursday evening at 6pm and will last for one hour.

While the children are in class Father Gordon would like to spend time with the parents.

2021

Session 1 - 16th of September

Session 2 – 23rd of September

Session 3 – 30th September

Reconciliation Service and 1st Reconciliation's will be on the 2nd October at 10am

Session 4 – 4th November

Session 5 – 11th November

Session 6 – 18th November

Session 7 – 25th November

First Holy Communion Mass will be on the 4th December at 10am



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Class of 2022 (Those in Yr 4 as of September 2021)**

All classes will take place on Thursday evening at 6pm and will last for one hour.

While the children are in class Father Gordon would like to spend time with the parents.

2022

Session 1 – 13th of January

Session 2 – 20th of January

Session 3 – 27th of January

Reconciliation Service and 1st Reconciliation's will be on the 5th February at 10am

Session 4 – 17th of March

Session 5 – 31st of March

Session 6 – 28th of April

Session 7 – 12th of May

First Holy Communion Mass will be on the 21st May at 10am

Gospel: John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

'It is the spirit that gives life,
the flesh has nothing to offer.
The words I have spoken to you are spirit
and they are life.'

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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PIETY SHOP

This has now been re-stocked with lots of new cards and gifts. Please take a look next time you are in church.

FIRST STEPS – Exploring the Catholic Faith Online

Are you wondering about your relationship with God and not sure where to start?

Join us on a journey this Autumn and see if the Catholic Church can help your relationship grow. This may be the right path for you. It may even help you take the next steps towards coming into the Church. We gather weekly via Zoom and invite you to come along to find out more. Starts Wednesday 22nd September at 7pm.

If you are interested to find out more, you can enquire/register using the [Online Enquiry Form](#) or email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

REFLECTION - Will you also leave me?

When many of his disciples were leaving him,
Jesus turned to the apostles and said, 'Will you also leave me?'
These words are addressed to us too.
It's not the Lord who leaves us, but we who may leave him.
But why would we want to leave the Lord,
who alone has the words of eternal life?
We need to make our own Peter's profession of faith.
Every Sunday we get a chance to do so.
We need the Lord to strengthen our faith.
We also need to confirm one another.
Lord, confirm our decision to stay with you.
Draw us closer to you in bonds of trust,
so that we may follow you in love and freedom.

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.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

Classes will take place for those children going into Year 5 (or older) in September 2021 on a Thursday evening at 6pm starting 16th September 2021. See attached for a list of all dates for Year 5 children.

For those children who will be going into Year 4 in September 2021 the classes will start on 13th of January 2022 again on a Thursday evening at 6pm. See attached for a list of these dates for Year 4 children.

All the dates will also be published on the website.

Fr Gordon would like to meet with the parents separately at some of these sessions, details and dates to be confirmed later.

Please contact Fr Gordon/or see him after Mass to ensure your child's name has been registered.

Please Sponsor Me in My '400 x 4 x 48'!

I am Jim Cunningham and this year I have the honour of being the President of the Royal Anglian Regimental Rugby Club and as it is my 60th year and my 51st season playing rugby I have decided to complete a fund raising event; for the last 21 years we have gathered to play a match to reunite and remember those who have fallen, the families and the wider community that we have all represented in our fantastic Regiment; the ages now range from 16-66.

This year we will be raising funds for the Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund and two other charities; 'Nelson Journey', who fantastic support for children and young people who have experienced the death of a significant person, and 'Stand Easy', whose aim is to help veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

I have also decided to complete a separate fund-raising event for these charities.

Between 10.00hrs Friday 20th August to 10.00hrs on Sunday 22nd August 2021 I will be attempting a '400 x 4 x 48'; this is on a cross trainer where I burn 400 calories, every 4 hours for 48 hours, the aim being to push the limits a bit and complete the 400 calories burn in 30 minutes. This is the equivalent to running 50+ miles and should burn in excess 5200 calories, defibrillators and medical assistance will be on hand, well apart from in the middle of the night when they have told me they are going to bed!

If you would like to donate, please go to: Jim Cunningham's 400x4x48 Challenge <https://www.collectionpot.com/pot/374737/>

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle vacancies:

Diocesan Department for Education:

Senior Administrator – permanent, full-time

Administrator (maternity cover), full-time

Closing date for applications is 2 September. For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us on 0191 243 3301

<u>22nd August 2021</u>	<u>21st Sunday of the Year B</u>		
SUNDAY	St Augustine's	9.15 am	Dorothy Tobin RIP
MONDAY	St Augustine's		NO MASS
TUESDAY			
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's		NO MASS
THURSDAY	St Augustine's		NO MASS
FRIDAY	St Augustine's		NO MASS
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Brian Trees RIP
SUNDAY 29 th August 22 nd Sunday of the Year B	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Chris & Gail Wiper's 40 th Wedding Anniversary
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Kevin Daly, Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, 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, Iris McCready, Anna Lloyd and all those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD ✝	Margareta Harris		
ANNIVERSARIES	August Anniversaries – Rose McCann, Tom Robinson, Annie Ginty, Nick Robinson, Mary & Bobby Aaron, David Early, Anthony Durkin, Peter Murphy, Brenda Frame, Reuben Clark, Paul Gibson, Eleanor Brown, Joan Foster, Gerald Harbron, Josephine Sullivan, Dorothy Tobin, Vincent Scarre, May Hardy, John Mayne. <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.