

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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*7<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Year*

## WORD FOR TODAY

We know what it means to give our all when playing sport, when running for a bus or caring for a sick relative. But what does it mean to

give our all in serving God?

Are we not entitled to a break,  
or an occasional rest?

Is there nothing we can hold back?

November is traditionally the month in which the Church remembers those who have died. We will especially remember those from our parish who have died in the last 12 months.

John Albert Gunnell, Thomas Ward, Peter Joseph Durkin, Kathleen Webber  
Thomas James Benson, Joyce Connolly, Patrick Dolan, Elfreda May Francis,  
Robert Anthony Durkin, Patricia Robinson,  
William Hutchinson, John Sellers,  
Maria Theresa Laundry, Sheila Brownless,  
Arthur Gill, Garry David Pease,  
Clare Whelan, John Patrick May,  
Christine Constance Green, Jose Manuel Pinto Figueira,  
Martin Daniel McCann, Theresa Attracta Keough, Sarah Armstrong,  
John Peyton, Winifred Theresa Gaffney, Jean Kingston, Marjorie Murphy,  
Frederick Duncan Taylor, Bjorn Dockree.



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.  
Amen*

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***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,***

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 9.15am – Deceased Members of the Parish**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 9.15am – Stephen RIP (brother of Monica Carre)**

***Bishop Robert has asked us to retain most of the COVID control measures  
and cleaning protocols that are in place which will be reviewed again in  
November.***

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A REMINDER for when attending Mass:

- You must 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.
- You can now join in the singing behind your mask.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Following the launch of our Diocesan Year of the Eucharist we will be having Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on **Mondays before the 12.15pm Mass from 11-12 noon**. Please consider coming to sit with Jesus for a while. No need to stay the whole time. A short visit is fine eg Mothers and small children welcome and shoppers passing by.

We are **POSTPONING** the Re-opening of the Church on November 14<sup>th</sup> with all the groups that are part of our Church being represented over in the Parish Centre after Mass. 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, Reader, Welcomers, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Groups 9.15 & 10.30, Children's Liturgy, Display (flowers), Piety Shop, Church Cleaners.

Sacramental Preparation, Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, Marriage, Confirmation, RCIA, Alpha Prayer Groups.

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

Indian Community, Polish Community.

## FIRST COMMUNION

The children have continued their preparation on Thursdays at 6pm in Church. The *PARENTS* will have their sessions on 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> November, also in Church at 6pm. On the 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be gifts and cards available to purchase from the Piety Stall.

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In recalling our most recent experiences, the world has come through a profound period with the Covid-19 pandemic.

- What strengths and weaknesses have emerged during this period as a faithful community?
- What has been the experience of the touch of God in these times?
- What challenges and vulnerabilities have been exposed in our lives, both individually and ecclesially, which need to be addressed?

There will be 3 meetings in Church next week plus a zoom meeting to discuss this, details as follows:

- Wednesday 10th November after 7:00 Mass
  - Thursday 11th November after 12:15 Mass
  - Friday 12th November at 6:00pm before 7 pm Mass
  - Zoom meeting on THURSDAY 11th NOVEMBER at 6pm.  
Meeting ID: 889 2992 7362 Passcode: 792830
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## PARTNERSHIP MEMORIAL MASS

During November, every parish is invited to prepare a 'Book of Remembrance' to contain the names of all those who died during these difficult days. These Books of Remembrance will be brought to Saint Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, so that all those named may be remembered at a Solemn Requiem Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert at 11.00am on Saturday 27th November. Representation from the parishes will be invited to this Mass while respecting the ongoing need for distancing.

There will be a book of remembrance at the back of Church for those names to be entered. *If anyone wants a family member or friend who has died since the start of Covid or who has died since last November in our Remembrance book and you aren't at the moment attending mass please let us know and we can put the names in for you.*

- **St Augustine's Parishioners**

We will celebrate our own parishioners and friends who have died in the last 12 months at mass today.

- Bishop Robert Byrne will celebrate a Requiem Mass, particularly for all those affected by the COVID19 pandemic at the Church of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, Sidlaw Road, Billingham on *Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November* 2021 at 7pm. Everybody welcome.

## SUNDAY COFFEES AFTER MASS

We are hoping to start having teas/coffee starting today November 7<sup>th</sup>.

We will set tables out and ask you to take a seat on a table of 6, and the drinks will be brought to your table. At the moment we aren't allowed to have cakes etc., but it would be nice to see everybody again. Again we will ask for a donation, rather than taking money which will be split between a couple of charities. We still need to wear a mask, (unless eating or drinking), and we can only have 2 people in the kitchen at any one time.

We will monitor this, but hopefully we will be able to continue meeting after Mass.

## First Reading 1 Kings 17:10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink. She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. Please he said, bring me a scrap of bread in your hand. As the Lord your God lives, she replied, I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die. But Elijah said to her, Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

Jar of meal shall not be spent,  
jug of oil shall not be emptied,  
before the day when the Lord sends  
rain on the face of the earth.

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

## The Psalm

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

## Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that

comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

### Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

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### REFLECTION – Returning to God

We are born in exile and die there too.

As soon as we set sail on the great voyage of life,  
we begin our return.

When we die,

we do not so much go to God as return to him.

Like homesick cranes that fly night and day  
back to their mountain nests,

so let all our lives take their voyage to you, O Lord.

For you have made us for yourself,

and our hearts will never rest, until they rest in you.

Only those who have flown home to You have flown at all.

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## JUSTICE and PEACE GROUP

### LIVE SIMPLY CHRISTMAS

Consider a simpler Christmas this year. Think about simple or alternative gifts like World Gifts from Cafod -

<https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> And/or

Traidcraft & The Kumi Foundation

After Mass on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November (in the Parish Centre), we are holding a sale of Christmas cards & alternative Christmas gifts.



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18<sup>th</sup> November 2021



Most of us reading this will have a safe, comfortable, hygienic place to live. Regretfully this is not true for everyone and there are many people who are denied what we consider the basics of life.

Bernadette Morgan & Debbie Irving as trustees of First Stop\* are taking part in a "Sleep Out" to raise awareness and funds for charities that support the most disadvantaged including the homeless, those at risk of homelessness and people in substandard accommodation, as well as those experiencing severe poverty.

We will not say that we are looking forward to it, but we are willing to take part as representatives of First Stop, if it means that we can raise money to help – so PLEASE dig deep and support this wonderful cause, by clicking on one of the links below. We will be able to go home to a hot shower & a warm home after our night sleeping out – those we are supporting are not always so fortunate.

Thank you so much

Bernadette & Debbie

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/BernadetteChapman1>

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Debbielrving1>

\*First Stop are a Same Day Access Centre providing support to individuals and families with a range of issues including poverty housing, homelessness, debt matters, mental health, wellbeing, confidence, and self-worth issues.

For more information about First Stop Darlington - check out their website at

[First Stop Darlington](#)

## 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

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This year's **WALK FOR PEACE** will take place on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> of November. Starting at the Quakers Friends Meeting House in Skinnergate at 12:30pm. The **Walk for Peace** will cover **3 miles and call at seven venues**, finishing at the Dolphin Centre at 4pm. They will call here at St Augustine's around 1.15pm.

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| Friends Meeting House        | 12:30 - 12:45 | Saint Cuthbert's Church        | 14:05 - 14:15 |
| Grange Road Baptist's Church | 12:55 - 13:05 | Sikh Gurudwara Sahib           | 14:35 - 15:20 |
| Saint Augustine's Church     | 13:15 - 13:25 | Atisha Kadampa Buddhist Centre | 15:35 - 15:45 |
| Jamia Mosque                 | 13:35 - 13:45 | The Dolphin Centre             | 15:55         |

*Some of the venues on the Walk for Peace will be gathering outside, rather than inside this year.*

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## More In Common, Darlington/Darlington Assistance For Refugees

They are hosting an event on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 7-9pm at the Friends' Meeting House, Skinnergate, when author Gulwali Passarlay tells his story how as a 12 year old he travelled from Afghanistan to England all alone. Entry is free but restricted to numbers, email: admin@moreincommondarlo to register.

## JOB VACANCY

St Augustine's Primary School - Lunchtime Supervisor

They are looking for a lunchtime Supervisor for 7.5 hrs on a permanent contract. Closing date is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

For further information and application forms please see our school website – <https://staugustines.bhcet.org.uk/> or contact the school office on 01325 380819. Application forms should be returned via email to [recruitment@staugustines.bhcet.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@staugustines.bhcet.org.uk) or by post to Mrs M McCollom, Headteacher, St Augustine's RC Primary School, Beechwood Avenue, Darlington, County Durham, DL3 7HP.

Working hours are Monday to Friday 11:45pm to 1.15pm during term time only.

## DIOCESAN WEBSITE

The Diocese has launched a new website [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) (please note the new address) from this weekend. Over the next few weeks additional pages will be added, including one where you will be able to donate to an individual parish.

They are always pleased to receive any feedback – positive or negative - that you may have, [iain.riddell@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:iain.riddell@diocesehn.org.uk)

## PIETY SHOP

Christmas cards, diaries, calendars and other bits and bobs will be on sale in the Piety Shop from this weekend. The shop isn't always manned but it is always open. An honesty box is there for items bought and a book for you to write down what you've bought and the cost of it (this helps me keep the accounts in order and to see what sells well) Any suggestions for goods to buy in for the shop are always welcome. Many thanks for your continued support, Catherine Holborn

## 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION - PRIESTS TRAINING FUND

This fund will remain open until 28<sup>th</sup> November for individual donations. Please note that your donation can be gift-aided, by noting your weekly envelope number onto an envelope. If you pay by bankers' orders you need to mark the envelope with your name so that records can be kept for the Inland Revenue.

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

our bank details are as follows:

St Augustine

(HSBC) Bank Account No. 11163914 Sort Code 40-34-18

**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](mailto:JohnK@svp-tyne.org.uk).

## **PARISH CENTRE**

All events, private and parish have to be risk assessed and approval given, along with some other forms that need completing. Each event must have a designated leader who will ensure that everybody follows the guidelines outlined by the Diocese. Face coverings still to be worn, unless seated.

### ***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.

<u>7<sup>th</sup> November 2021</u>	<u>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year</u>		
SUNDAY	St Augustine's	9.15 am	D/M of the Parish
MONDAY	St Augustine's	11.00 am 12.15pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 12 noon Annie & Charlie Martin RIP
TUESDAY			
WEDNESDAY	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Rona & Albert Gunnell RIP <b>Followed by Synod Meeting</b>
THURSDAY	St Augustine's	12.15pm  <b>Zoom</b> 6.00 pm	Mary Marks RIP <b>Followed by Synod Meeting</b> <b>Synod meeting</b>
FRIDAY	St Augustine's	6.00 pm 7.00 pm	<b>Preceded by Synod Meeting</b> In Thanksgiving R&D
SATURDAY	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Gino Maksi RIP
SUNDAY 14 <sup>th</sup> November 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Year	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed	9.15 am	Stephen RIP (brother of Monica Carre)
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, Iris McCready, Anna Lloyd, John Appleton and all those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD <b>+</b>	Bjorn Dockree		
ANNIVERSARIES	<b>November Anniversaries</b> – Gordon Davies, Thomas Taylor, Kathleen Taylor, Mary Ord, Francis Keenan, Joan Beckwith, Joan Green, Jimmy Bailie, Margaret Urwin, Patricia Richardson, Danny O'Toole, Pat Coates, Lilian Stephenson, David Ord, Jack Jolly, John Albert Gunnell, Thomas Ward, Thomas Benson. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>		