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6th March 2022 – 1st Sunday of Lent - Year C

WORD FOR TODAY

Temptation is not a sin.

It's just a reminder that we are capable of sinning.

Whatever our worst temptation is, Jesus went through it in the desert.

If not, then he would not have become one of us and would have been incapable of redeeming our human nature at its very worst.

St Augustine's Church
No longer required to book in for Sunday Mass

Sunday 6th March- 9.15am – Dorothy Tobin RIP

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We will continue with our own guidelines as below.

- **NO** bookings required for the Sunday or weekday masses
- You are encouraged to continue to wear a face covering
- Sanitise hands on entry to the Church
- Social distancing still best practice - perhaps if somebody is sitting down in front of you, don't use the kneelers.

SUNDAY COFFEES AFTER MASS

We provide a table service and individual wrapped biscuits. Please come and join us. The kitchen extension will be starting on Monday 7th March and we are working round things in the hope that we can still do coffees after Mass. All donations will be given to a local charity.

ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB LTD/PARISH CENTRE AGM

6TH MARCH 2022 AT 7.45PM

The AGM for the Club and the Parish Centre Committee postponed from Sunday 19th December 2021 will now be held in the parish centre at 7.45 p.m. on **Sunday 6th March 2022**. All members are invited to attend.

At the meeting the Directors of the Club and the members of the Parish Centre committee will be standing for re-election. There are vacancies for both committees. Anyone wishing to stand for either committee is asked to put their name on the proposal forms which are displayed on the parish centre notice board. Anyone proposing to stand as a director of the club will need to be proposed and seconded by two members of the club.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY is Friday 11th March. Envelopes available at the back of Church.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection today for the Red Cross – Ukraine.

ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB

We are pleased to say that the Parish Centre Bar is now open on a Sunday evening from 7.30-10.30pm.

FLOWER ARRANGERS/DISPLAYS IN CHURCH

Would anybody like to get involved putting together displays in Church and/or flowers. We have been so used to having some fabulous flower arrangements in Church, but sadly time moves on and people retire. Maybe this is something you took up in lockdown! We do have a couple of weddings planned for this year who are already asking if we have anybody who could do the flowers in Church. We would also like to have some displays on the altar as well. Please contact the office if you can help – 266602 or email info@staugustineschurch.org.uk.

Thank you. *One offer received so far.*

JOB VACANCY

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a new Head of Finance. The role will be based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle, and agile working is available. Full-time or 30 hours a week.

Closing date for applications: 12 March 2022. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301

BREAK FOR LENT 2022

These have been organised by Churches Together in Darlington in support of Christian Aid. The theme this year is based around the Faith and Worship Lent Course, Build on the Rock.

The venue is St Cuthbert's Church Parish Hall

Starting on 7th March at 10.30am for coffee/biscuits followed by the speaker at 11.00 am. It is planned to finish by 11.30 am. Suggested minimum donation £2

Monday 7th March - Fr Gordon Ryan – Roman Catholic

Monday 14th March – Rev Brian Hutton – Methodist

Monday 21st March – Rev Vicky Thompson – Baptist

Monday 28th March – Rev James Harvey – Anglican

Monday 4th April – Rev John Bower - Methodist

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me. You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.

Psalm

Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God,
and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you
to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands
in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

JUSTICE & PEACE

CHANGE YOUR LIFE AND TRANSFORM SOMEONE ELSE'S THIS LENT?

CAFOD WALK AGAINST HUNGER. Four of our parishioners have stepped up to the challenge to walk 200k this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time. There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition, mostly due to Climate Change One parishioner has already 'challenged themselves and signed up. If you would like to support any of them through sponsorship, please contact them. They are John McGovern, Brian Dunleavy, Jessica Irving and Teresa Kilgour. Well done for accepting the challenge!



FROM CAFOD Give yourself some quiet time for reflection each day to draw closer to God in prayer by sign up for short daily reflections during lent. at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Lent-calendar>

The National Board of Catholic Women (NBCW) draws together representatives from many national organisations. It aims to give Catholic women a voice at national and international levels and promotes the presence, participation, and responsibilities of Catholic women in Church and society.

The Bishops of England and Wales are inviting Catholic women to participate in conversations about the way in which the Catholic Church should approach the challenges facing it in the modern world. We are invited to journey with our Bishops on this synodal pathway.

The key questions to be addressed at the Synod are:

- How is this "journeying together" happening today in your local church?
- What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our journeying together?

The NBCW has an opportunity to respond independently of the dioceses to ensure that women's voices are fully represented.

To ensure our response is fully representative, we ask Catholic women to consider and feedback on the following question from your own perspective and from that of any women you encounter, especially women who may be estranged from the Church or feel marginalised or voiceless:

- What obstacles stand in the way of you as a woman fully participating in the Church?

Send your responses by 20 March to Margaret Clark, President of NBCW, at: margaretclark123@gmail.com or NBCWSynod@gmail.com

NEWS FROM THE REFUGEE PROJECT. Firstly many, many thanks to St Augustine's Parish for your very generous donation from your Christmas Collection. Things at the Justice and Peace Refugee Project are continuing to get back onto a more normal footing and we are delighted to report that our informal English lessons are underway once again. These are delivered by our experienced and dedicated volunteer tutors on Fridays at St Vincent's Centre. While some agencies offer more formal and accredited courses for those who have been in the country more than 6 months, we welcome all clients and start with the absolute basics to help them to integrate into our communities. Many who attend one of our two Friday classes are faced with the challenge of learning a complex new language with an unfamiliar alphabet. To date over 30 people have expressed an interest in participating.

One client commented: *"The work they do is so useful and special for the people who need it. Thank you, thank you, thank you."*

Sometimes a little thoughtfulness makes a huge difference and volunteers often go above and beyond in their efforts to support our clients. Just one example is the volunteer who visits charity shops in search of accessible dictionaries that help those learning English. She has not only collected many easy-read/illustrated dictionaries but has also found children's books in other languages and recently delighted a Spanish speaking family with an Enid Blyton translation for their young child entitled 'Mis Cuentos Favoritos' (My Favourite Stories).

DHN JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT

This project needs your food donations. Any of the following priority items will be gratefully received: - *tinned tomatoes, chickpeas, fish (tuna, sardines in oil or water only), single packet of biscuits, sugar, toilet rolls, toothpaste, shampoo, 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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9.15am Mass live streamed	St Augustine's	6.30 pm	John Trees RIP
Monday	St Augustine's	11.00 am	Exposition till 12 noon
Tuesday		12.15 pm	Ints of St Joseph
Wednesday	St Augustine's	9.30 am	Req. Mass Theresa Lockey
Thursday	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Mary & Rose Kane RIP
Friday	St Augustine's	9.45 am	Req. Mass Pamela Stephenson
Saturday	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Margaret Marsden RIP
Sunday 13 th March	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed	7.00 pm	In Thanksgiving - Blessings on All Families
2 nd Sunday in Lent	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Maureen McKenna RIP
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	St Augustine's	6.30 pm	Tess Keogh RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Michael McKenna & 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, Betty Smith, Michael Grogan, Doris Trees, Sylvia McGee, Iris McCready, Anna Lloyd, and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD +	Pamela Stephenson, Fr Harry Ryan		
ANNIVERSARIES	March Anniversaries – Lily Daley, May Sellers, Maurice Conway, Stanley Butterfield, Delia Lancaster, Betty Baldwin, Hilda Pattison, Noel Doherty, Maureen Roscamp, Constantine Larkin. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>		

Thank you for monies received in February 2022

Loose Plate £1,288

Gift Aid £3,704

Non-Gift Aid £249

Total £5,241

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:

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