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13th March 2022 – 2ND Sunday of Lent - Year C

WORD FOR TODAY

Faith wouldn't be faith if the route were signposted with certainties. It demands abandonment to and trust in God's promises. At this early stage of Lent we are once again given a glimpse of the glory that is on offer for those who persevere.

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

Sunday 13th March – 9.15am – D/M Sellers Family
Sunday 13th March – 6.30pm – Tess Keogh RIP
Sunday 20th March- 9.15am – Bernard Carrigan 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.

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

UKRAINE

Thank you very much for your generosity last Sunday. We have sent off £921 to the Red Cross – Ukraine Appeal.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION

There will be 4 sessions before the children make their First Communion. The sessions take place in Church at 6pm lasting for an hour. The first session is:

- Thursday 17th of March
- Thursday 31st March
- Thursday 28th April
- Thursday 12th May.

Fr Gordon would like to meet with the parents on 31st March at 6pm the same time the children will be attending.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FATHER HARRY RYAN

Father Harry's body will be received into Holy Family Church on Thursday 17th March at 6.00pm. Holy Mass will be celebrated. Then on Friday 18th March at 12 noon Bishop Robert Byrne CO will celebrate Requiem Mass for Father Harry in St Thomas Aquinas Church.

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 14th March and we are working round things in the hope that we can still do coffees after Mass. More information next week. All donations will be given to a local charity.

WANTED VOLUNTEERS

- WELCOMERS, READERS, CHILDREN'S LITURGY, FLOWERS/CHURCH DISPLAYS

There are sheets at the back of Church if you would like to sign up or find out more information. The more volunteers we have the less of a burden it becomes.

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 sign up on the sheets in church or email info@staugustineschurch.org.uk. Thank you. *Three offers received so far.*

BREAK FOR LENT 2022

These have been organised by Churches Together in Darlington in support of Christian Aid. The venue is St Cuthbert's Church Parish Hall, 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 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

PIETY SHOP

Why not take a look in, there are some new items in the shop. We also have a range of Mother's Day cards on the bench in the middle of Church with all profits going to the SVP.

NORTHERN CROSS March's paper is available at the back of Church. Cost £1.50.

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12.17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

I am the Lord he said to him who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land. My Lord, the Lord, Abram replied, how am I to know that I shall inherit it? He said to him, Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon. He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

To your descendants I give this land,
from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.

Psalm

The Lord is my light and my help.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus

Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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PRAY WITH UKRAINE, PRAY FOR UKRAINE, PRAY
FOR PEACE

Моліться з Україною, моліться за Україну,
моліться за мир

We pray for the Church: that in this time of crisis, she may speak words of truth and justice, act with compassion and be a sign of Christ's love for all those who are suffering. Lord in your mercy...

AWAKENING 2022

Eucharistic Adoration of 100 days organized by Jesus Youth that began on Ash Wednesday lasting till Pentecost across the UK and Europe.

Our church will be partaking on *March 20th Sunday, from 11 am till 2 pm.*

We will be praying for various intentions, especially for our parish community, world peace, especially in Ukraine, and therefore kindly request your participation. There will be posters displayed in the Church notice board and also a sheet placed in the middle of the Church if you would like to sign up for a particular time-slot.

HOGARTH ALPHA - ON LINE

Do you want to explore your faith and ask the big questions on life? Then try Alpha! It's starting once again for our deanery_and beyond, on *the 21st April at 7.30* for 12 weeks, this time it will be online again!

Further information about Alpha can be found on the Hogarth Alpha partnership face book page and please invite your friends. Siobhan Casswell will be happy to answer any questions!

Please email Hogarthalphaonline@gmail.com to register your wish to attend or for further information re Alpha contact Keld O'Shea on this email.

We are looking forward to sharing the journey with you!!

DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO ACCOMPANY THOSE SEEKING INNER HEALING?

The Diocese will be providing training in this ministry, initially to help you discern how God may be directing you. A residential training course will take place at Minsteracres Retreat Centre and will run across 2 sessions:

Session 1: 22nd - 23rd April 2022

Session 2: 15th - 16th July 2022

For more information look for the poster on your parish notice board, or contact the Vicariate for Faith & Mission admin team who can provide further details and application forms. adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

JOB VACANCY

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a new Senior Administrator in the Safeguarding Team. The role will be based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle and is full-time.

Closing date for applications: 23 March 2022. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301

MASS INTENTIONS - We are running short of mass intentions – especially for those masses held during the week. Envelopes are available at the back of Church. Please fill in and either hand them into Fr Gordon or put on the collection plate. Thank you.

JUSTICE & PEACE

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

CAFOD WALK AGAINST HUNGER. Don't forget John, Teresa, Jessica and Brian our parishioners who have stepped up to the challenge to walk 200k this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time. If you spot them out, give them a wave and maybe a shout-out. You may recognise them by their special laces.



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>

It would be good if some of our women parishioners took the opportunity to respond to the opportunity afforded by **The National Board of Catholic Women (NBCW)** and responded to the key question to be addressed by the Synod

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.

And 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

Finding Christ in the Eucharist, the poor and creation - A time of reflection
April 9th 10.30am -12.30pm via zoom

This morning of reflection aims at widening our understanding about the connection between the Eucharist, food justice and the ecological crisis we are in. It will explore how we are nourished by the Eucharist and are invited to nourish others and the whole of creation.

Speaker is Fr. Chris Hughes and there will be an opportunity for sharing.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/finding-jesus-in-the-eucharist-the-poor-and-creation-tickets-276896313327>

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Monday	St Augustine's St Augustine's St Augustine's	11.00 am 12.15 pm 1.00 pm	Exposition till 12 noon In Thanksgiving (R&D) Fun. Serv. Jack Appleton
Tuesday			
Wednesday	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Terry Walters RIP
Thursday	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Ints. of Fitzgerald & Loney Families
Friday	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Margaret Canavan RIP
Saturday	St Augustine's	10.00 am	Ints. of St Joseph
Sunday 20 th March 3 rd Sunday in Lent	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Bernard Carrigan RIP James Charlton 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 +	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
<u>Total £5,241</u>		

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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