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17th July 2022 – 16th Sunday of the Year C

WORD FOR TODAY

Have we become so busy in our lives that we have forgotten how to listen to others? Mary knew how to slow down and make Jesus at home in her house.

In our comings and goings do we ever take the time just to sit and listen to Jesus and to talk to him?

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HEALING MASS - WEDNESDAY 17TH AUGUST 2.30PM AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

Celebrated by Brother Robert. After mass Coffee and Cake will be provided in the Church Hall. The Catenians will provide the refreshment and have agreed (within reason) to provide lifts to those who wish to attend but do not have the transport.

PIETY SHOP

New stock has arrived in the Piety Shop. Please look when you are next in Church. Lots of cards, small gifts etc. Well worth a browse and you also help support the SVP.

LITURGICAL FORMATION AND DAYS OF REFLECTION

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission is pleased to share their Autumn calendar for Liturgical Formation and Days of Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. Please visit bit.ly/Liturgy2022 for further details or see the poster and information sheet on the notice board. Please book via the parish office. Further dates will be announced for other ministries.

THE VICARIATE FOR FAITH AND MISSION

has now produced the '*Encountering the Holy Spirit*' booklet, which is the third of a series of reflection booklets to accompany the Year of the Eucharist. The booklet is available on the Diocesan website from the following link: <https://bit.ly/3R2gJRZ>

SUNDAY COFFEES

Coffees are being hosted by, Elspeth (Kumi) and HCPT during July. August will be hosted by Sue Simpson & family - fundraising for Ukraine and September - SVP when we should be back in the kitchen. We will be looking for people to host from October through to the year end. Thank you.

USHAW'S SPECTACULAR FLOWER FESTIVAL IS BACK!

FRIDAY 9TH - SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

Celebrating everything that's great about County Durham, join us for the **Ushaw Flower Fest**. With the exciting talent of flower arrangers and florists from across the region coming together to create a floral tour of County Durham; highlighting its heritage, culture, people and landscape.

We'll have over 35 arrangements and installations which will take visitors on a journey through the County, all set within the beautiful environment of Ushaw. Included with an Ushaw Annual Pass, pre-booking is required for **The Ushaw Flower Fest**.

SVP NEWS

A large part of our ministry is visiting people in their homes and in care homes, which we have not been able to do through the pandemic. We are now able to visit once more ensuring that we take all possible precautions. If you know of anyone who would like to be visited and maybe also receive communion please contact me Brenda Hasler at behasler@icloud.com



JUSTICE & PEACE

Building the future with Migrants and Refugees

In advance of World Day for Migrants and Refugees on the 25th September, Pope Francis has appeared in a new video which highlights the importance of the contribution that migrants and refugees give to the socio-economic growth of societies welcoming them in.

Pope Francis is asking all of us: *How can we promote the development of the potential of migrants and refugees?*

We are all invited to respond to his question by emailing a short video or photo to media@migrants-refugees.va, or by following World Day of Migrants and Refugees on social media and reply directly to the question posted on it. The best answers will be part of the campaign.

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. My lord, he said, I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servants direction. They replied, Do as you say.

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. Hurry, he said, knead three bushels of flour and make loaves. Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

Where is your wife Sarah? they asked him. She is in the tent, he replied. Then his guest said, I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.

THE PSALM

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory:

this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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REFLECTION – In his presence

Lord, I place myself in your presence.
After the strain and turmoil of the day
I rest quietly here, as a little boat,
which has been tossed by the waves
and buffeted by the wind,
rests secure in a sheltered harbour.
Here my projects lose their power over me.
A healing process begins.
My fragmented self is reassembled,
and I am made whole again.
In your presence, I experience my true worth,
which consists not in doing but in being.
I surrender myself into your hands. I am at peace.



JUSTICE & PEACE

SAY NO TO HASSOCKFILEDS – Some information to help you understand the situation inside the Derwentshire Immigration Removal Centre.

Approximately 40 women are currently detained as of late June. Of those referred to Medical Justice (MJ) they were aged between 27 and 68. Nationalities include Vietnamese, Albanian, Nigerian, South African, Brazilian and Indonesian. Three accommodation blocks in the centre now being used.

Some women who have arrived crossing the channel in boats are now being detained directly when they arrive in the UK. Many have suffered domestic violence, gender-based violence, and trafficking. Few women speak English, and even then, it may be rudimentary. Access to adequate interpretation support is very difficult.

Women detained at Derwentside are often transferred multiple times before they arrive there. For instance, women who are initially arrested in the south of England - having either arrived by boat or having been arrested at home, or when reporting to the Home Office - are taken initially to Colnbrook, near Heathrow. From there they are transferred to the short-term holding facility in Manchester, before finally being transferred to Hassockfield/Derwentside. When they receive removal directions, they are moved back along same route. If their removal direction is cancelled, then they begin the return journey. The women's phones are confiscated during journeys, so they are denied vital contact with their lawyers, family and friends during this time.

Women detained receive 72p a day from the detention centre (£5.04 a week) into their accounts. They can order shower gel, shampoo, sanitary products, cigarettes and some food items but prices inside Derwentside match shop prices so the money they are receiving does not cover things they need. Money can't be transferred electronically and distance from family/supporters means they lack other funds.

The organisation **Friendship across Borders** have so far distributed over 80 welcome packs to women arriving at the IRC, also giving them £20 phone credit. The mobile phone signal is poor inside the building, but this is the only way of contacting family, support organisations and legal advice. They and Women for Refugee Women are transferring money into the Women's accounts, but the demand is soon going to outstrip availability of funds.

Medical Justice - who produce medico-legal reports to try to evidence harm in detention and reasons for release, and help onward asylum claims - have had 21 referrals and done 7 assessments (2 face to face). Of the 7 assessments they have carried out, MJ believe all, but one woman has been released, but cannot say for sure that this was a direct result of the medico-legal reports.

What can you do? Donate to Women for Refugee Women's crowdfunding appeal calling for Derwentside's closure and learn more about it.

<https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/stop-the-detention-of-women/>

If you want to volunteer as a visitor at Hassockfield/Derwentside contact AVID via enquiries@aviddetention.org.uk

Donate to Friendship across Borders directly -

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/friendship-across-borders-827>

Contact Friendship Across Borders via friendshipacrossborders@hotmail.com if you want to donate items for Friendship Packs or help with their work.

I have asked for a list of items we could collect here at St Augustine's and when I receive this will put it on the bulletin.

Clinicians are needed to volunteer for Medical Justice if you know of someone or if you yourself feels qualified, contact them via <https://medicaljustice.org.uk/volunteering/>

DIVESTMENT FROM FOSSIL FUELS

The Catholic Bishops of England & Wales reported on the 5th July: - *In a challenge to the fossil fuel industry's dangerous expansion plans and increasingly empty rhetoric on climate, 35 faith institutions from seven countries – including five Church of England dioceses, two Catholic dioceses in the UK, and a Church of England cathedral – today announced their divestment from fossil fuel companies. In total, 19 of the 35 institutions divesting are from the UK.*

Organised by Operation Noah, Laudato Si' Movement, the World Council of Churches, Green Anglicans and GreenFaith, this latest divestment announcement comes from faith institutions in Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Ireland, the UK and the US, just three weeks before Anglican bishops from around the world gather for the once-a-decade Lambeth Conference in Canterbury.

It is disappointing to say that the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle was not one of those who committed to divesting. However, the Church of England Dioceses of Newcastle and Durham have. The only Catholic diocese in England to divest this time was Leeds and in Ireland the Archdiocese of Armagh. Several religious communities and organisations have joined the increasing number of faith organisations who have taken this step. Let us hope and pray by the time of the next announcement, around Christmas, we may see our Diocese included.

Justice & Peace Meeting on Wednesday 27th July after 7.00am Mass

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Sunday	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Barbara Metcalfe RIP In Thanksgiving - JO
Monday	St Augustine's St Augustine's	11.00 am 12.15 pm	EXPOSITION Mary Carter RIP
Tuesday			
Wednesday	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	Mary McGrann RIP
Thursday	St Augustine's	12.15 pm	Peter Dunne RIP
Friday	St Augustine's	7.00 pm	In Thanksgiving
Saturday	St Augustine's	10.00 am	In Thanksgiving (R&D)
Sunday 24 th July 17 th Sunday of the Year C	St Augustine's & Live-Streamed St Augustine's	9.15 am 6.30 pm	Norah & Gordon Davies RIP Patrick Joseph Cunningham RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Michael McKenna, & all priests and religious in the diocese. Also the sick & housebound of the parish - Michelle Butler, Betty Smith, Michael Grogan, Doris Trees, Sylvia McGee, Iris McCready and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD +	Fr Dermott Donnelly		
ANNIVERSARIES	July Anniversaries – Kathleen Flaws, Bill Carter, Teresa Taylor, Rita Taylor, Irene Humphrey, John Mace, Liam Ryan, Mary Welsh, Brian Campbell, Marion Turner, John Hennessey, Elizabeth Thirtle, Lawrence McDonald, Paul Dodsworth, Elizabeth Leeman, Garry Pease, Clare Whelan, John May, Christine Green. <i>May they rest in peace.</i>		
WELCOMERS	24 th July	9.15am	Pat Ingham & Frances

Thank you for monies received in June 2022		
Loose Plate £1,869	Gift Aid £3,037	Non-Gift Aid £279
<u>Total £5,472</u>		

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

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