

# Hogarth Partnership

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**21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Year B**

### ***Word for Today***

*Repentance is fundamental to the daily life of a Christian. It means being aware of the ways in which we can and must alter our behaviour patterns, our ways of thinking and acting, our outlook on God and others. And repentance is not a once and for all thing; it is something that we have to check on each night and agree to every morning.*

## SUNDAY MASSES

Our celebrant today is Fr David Smith, a priest of the Diocese of East Anglia. Until recently Fr Smith was an army chaplain but has now moved to Yarm to be nearer to his family in Stockton.

**Next Sunday** our celebrant will be Mgr John Daly, a priest of Salford Diocese. Like Fr David, Mgr John also worked for many years as a Forces chaplain, but in his case with the Royal Air Force. More recently Mgr John was Vicar General of Salford Diocese before retiring to the North East to be near family.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next session of this year's Sacramental Preparation Programme is **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 6.00pm** in Church. The children will make their First Reconciliation on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 10.00am.



## RCIA

The next meeting of our RCIA will be on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January after the 7pm Mass.

We are blessed to have a number of people wanting to know more and to share our Catholic faith, together with adults wanting to be confirmed. Please pray for these candidates as they journey with the Lord towards our celebration of Easter.



## BAPTISM COURSE

Our next course takes place on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** from 6.30pm – 8.30pm in St Augustine's Parish Centre. Please let us know if you wish to attend –

[info@staugustineschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@staugustineschurch.org.uk) or ring 266602.

For a child to be baptised in the Catholic Church at least one of the parents needs to be a Catholic and there must be a reasonable hope that the child will be brought up in the practice of the faith. All parents must attend the baptism preparation at least once before we will set a date for baptism.

## YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS

This is a group of Catholics aged 18-35 that meets in the presbytery for fellowship and usually food. We will meet again on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February after the 6:30pm Mass.

## PARTNERSHIP MINISTERS' DAY – A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

On **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February** there will be a Partnership Day of Recollection and training for all Readers, Musicians & Eucharistic Ministers. The day will be led by Fr Gero McLoughlin S.J. and we hope the day will provide an element of spiritual recollection and a time of practical and liturgical input.

**SYRO-MALABAR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY** We have been blessed in recent years to have many Syro-Malabar Catholics as part of our community at St Augustine's. The Syro-Malabar Church traces its descent from the apostle Thomas and uses an ancient Syriac liturgy. It is based in Kerala in India from where most of our Indian origin parishioners come. (Though we also have many Latin Rite Catholics from India.) We are delighted that a priest of the Syro-Malabar Church, Fr Binoy, is now resident at Holy Family where he will celebrate Mass every Sunday (previously there was just one Mass per month). However, this will mean that many of our Syro-Malabar brothers and sisters will now worship regularly at Holy Family. Obviously, it is sad that we will not see this part of our current community so regularly. However, that our Syro-Malabar community now has provision of its own liturgy with its own priest is also a good thing. When the Roman Catholic Church and the Syro-Malabar Church came into full communion our agreement was that they should maintain their own ancient traditions of liturgy, spirituality, canon law and structure- that we wouldn't "romanise" them. It is wonderful that we are all part of the one Catholic family but it is also important that to be part of our one Catholic family we don't all have to be exactly the same. We seek unity not uniformity! This move is not one of division but one which shows us the wonderful diversity, the catholicity, of our Catholic Church.

### First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5.10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: Up! he said Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to. Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a days journey. He preached in these words, Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed. And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Lord, make me know your ways.**

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

### Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake- for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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**PIETY+ STALL** A donation of £100 to the SVP from our wonderful Piety Stall took the total donations over £700 since the beginning of October.

Thank you to Catherine and her wonderful team for the tireless work that they do in contributing so much to the life of our parish. Thank you also to everyone who has donated goods for sale or bought something from the stall. Your contributions make a huge difference to the people we support.

## **JOB VACANCIES**

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies:

**Cleaner, St Augustine, Darlington – part-time.**

**Closing date 22 January**

Cleaner, St Charles, Gosforth - part-time. Closing date 22 January

Please visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** at Sunday Morning Mass. The children's liturgy offers our children the opportunity to listen and respond to the Sunday Gospel at an age appropriate level.

Ideally the children taking part are between 3-8yrs but this is flexible depending on family circumstances. The children are led to a separate room before the Liturgy of the Word begins. Here two DBS checked adults, a leader and an assistant will preside over the celebration. The children return to the congregation before the Offertory.

**NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS WITH A DIFFERENCE** You can sign up for



at [The Big Lent Walk 2024 \(cafod.org.uk\)](https://cafod.org.uk) . You can sign up as an individual, a parish, a school.

### **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CEREMONY**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January AT 7.00PM in the QE College.

The ceremony will be led by Dr John Elliston & supported by students from the college.

This year's theme is the 'Fragility of Freedom'.

### **A FUN FEAST FOR OUR LADY OF LOURDES!**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 7.00pm in St Augustine's Parish Centre.

Tickets are available for our fun feast which will include exciting games of bingo, rock & roll bingo, raffles, prizes, food and drink!

The price is £15 and this includes a welcome drink and a pie & peas supper. We are raising money for the Carmel Lourdes Group and the Darlington Group 195.

Tickets are available by contacting student reception at Carmel College or by speaking to Andrew McGovern or Jules Watson. We sold

out the hall last year so please get in contact early to avoid disappointment!



**PROSECCO EVENING** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February from 7:30pm – 10.30pm. Please text or call 07870 611389 to book your table and avoid disappointment! Cheese boards and snacks available – can be pre booked, and watch out for a mini cocktail menu too! A great night for casual chat and networking. All welcome.



**Coffee/tea and cakes after Sunday 9.15am Mass in the Parish Centre - hosted by Carmel College Lourdes group throughout January.**

We now only have July & August free in 2024. If you would like to host coffee's to raise money for your chosen charity, please advise Debbie in the Parish Office.

**JOB VACANCY** St Augustine's Parish Club is looking to recruit a permanent bar manager and are inviting expressions of interest. The role is 12 hours per week (subject to increasing business demand). Experience of bar work preferred. Interested parties should email Sheilagh at [Staugclub@gmail.com](mailto:Staugclub@gmail.com) requesting full job description and application form. Closing date for applications is Sunday 4 February.

#### **PLEASE NOTE MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK**

Brother Robert will celebrate Mass on Monday at 12.15pm but there will be **NO MASS** on Tuesday.

Fr David Smith will celebrate Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Fr David Russell will celebrate Friday's Requiem Mass.

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Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 9.15am Mass <i>live-streamed</i>	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Year B</i>	9.15am 6.30pm	People of the Parish Jim Spark RIP
Monday	<i>St Vincent</i>	12.15pm	Nancy Gormley RIP
Tuesday		<b>NO MASS</b>	
Wednesday	<i>St Francis de Sales</i>	7.00pm	Michael Pease RIP
Thursday	<i>The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle</i>	12.15pm	Intentions R & D
Friday	<i>SS Timothy &amp; Titus</i>	<b>11.45am</b>	Requiem Mass for Margaret Varley
Saturday	<i>St Angela Merici</i>	10.00am	Edith Daly RIP
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 9.15am Mass <i>live-streamed</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year B</i>	9.15am 6.30pm	People of the Parish Fr Cesimir RIP
THOSE WHO ARE SICK	Please pray for Fr Gary Dickson and all the sick & housebound of the parish, Kate Turver, John Allinson, Michelle Butler, Betty Smith, Iris McCready, Chris Tobin, Jim Cunningham Snr, Maureen Moore and those looking after them.		
LATELY DEAD <b>+</b>	Peter Shields		
ANNIVERSARIES	<b>JANUARY Anniversaries</b> Osmund Poad, John Daley, Jack Taylor, Jimmy Taylor, Elsie Morton, Peter Taylor, William Patrick Lisle, Kevin McKeown, Valerie Haigh, Clifford Hutchinson, Hilda & Domenico Bambino, Margaret Patterson, Maureen Harrison, Peter Gilligan, Rose Cowan, Brian Simpson, Dorothy Catterall, Neville Patterson, Michael White, Christopher Hammond, Joyce Connolly, Patrick Dolan, Elfreda Francis, Tony Durkin, Patricia Robinson, June Dean, Ian Cowan, Peter Rumney, James Charlton, Michael Grogan, Helen Courtney, Yvonne Pongracz, Charles White, Stewart Harding, <b><i>May they Rest in Peace.</i></b>		
<b>21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	
<b>WELCOMERS</b>	Jo Stowe, Jan Scott	Steven Roberts	
<b>READERS</b>	Alex Nicholson, Jo Jones	Siobhan McEvoy, Caedmon McEvoy Casswell	
<b>28<sup>th</sup> Jan WELCOMERS</b>	Drummond Family	Steven Roberts	
<b>READERS</b>	Catriona Iley, Jo Potter	Mike & Ann Webster	
<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Jan</b> Team A (HR, CW)	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Jan</b> Team B (PA, MK)	