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11th February 2024

6th Sunday of Year B

Word for Today

Most of the time it's not a question of God not wanting to cure us, but of us not wanting to be cured.

And although we're quick to label others as lepers, we're often the last to notice the spots that are beginning to show on our own skin.

ASH WEDNESDAY, 14th FEBRUARY: Our Masses will be at 10am and 7pm. Our choir will lead the music of the 7pm Mass which will include Allegri's setting of Psalm 50, the Miserere.

A PLACE FOR PRAYER DURING LENT (Beginning 22nd February)

Scripture, reflections, quiet music and silent prayer.

Each week we will focus on a different line of The Lord's Prayer.

Thursdays 6.30 – 7.30 pm in Number 10. Everyone Welcome.

LENTEN SYCAMORE COURSE The Hogarth Partnership are pleased to

let you know that we'll be starting a Lenten Sycamore course on the

21st February for 6 weeks. This will take place at St Augustine's

Parish Centre. The evenings will start at 7.15pm with a snack and

teas/coffees and then a showing of the episode with discussion in

small groups. The evening will finish about 9.00pm.

All are welcome and if you do want to attend, please let us know

through the Hogarth Alpha Facebook page or

email hogarthalphaonline@gmail.com as this will help with catering.

BREAK FOR LENT @ St Cuthbert's Church Hall 10.30am – 11.30am,

every Monday during Lent starting 19th February until 25th March.

We have been asked by the Churches Together in Darlington to help

with the refreshments on **Monday 4th March**. They start setting up

at 10am and coffee is served from 10.30-11.00am. The coffee/tea is

supplied but we are asked to provide two types of scones, butter and

milk. There will be a list at the back of Church if you are able to help.

Thank you.

DIOCESAN LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKLETS The Vicariate for Faith

and Mission are producing booklets of Daily Lenten Reflections which

will be available from Ash Wednesday at the weblink:

<https://bit.ly/DHNLentReflections>.

LENTEN ALMS We will take a second collection NEXT WEEKEND, the

first Sunday of Lent, to support the work of St Cuthbert's Care in

our Diocese.

MY DAY BY DAY Booklets for Lent – will be available in Church from

Ash Wednesday.

PARISH COUNCIL & FINANCE MEETING Thursday 15th February
7.00pm in the Presbytery.

PARTNERSHIP MINISTERS' DAY – SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY
10am-3pm at St Augustine's Parish Centre.

A day of Recollection led by Fr Gero McLoughlin S.J. for Readers, Musicians & Eucharistic Ministers. The day will centre on the theme of how our ministries enable what the Second Vatican Council called the "full and active participation" of all the faithful in the Church's liturgy (*Sacrosanctum Concilium* 14).

Contrary to last week's bulletin, there will be two sessions in the morning followed by Mass at 12:30 then lunch, and one session in the afternoon.

RCIA The next meeting of our RCIA will be on Wednesday 21st February 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.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS GROUP for those aged 18-35 will meet in the presbytery for fellowship and food on Sunday 18th February after the 6:30pm Mass. We are also planning a pilgrimage walk in Osmotherly on Saturday 9th March.

ST AUGUSTINE'S TO HOST PRIESTS' STUDY DAY 5 MARCH

There will be two days of recollection/ study days for the priests on the new ESV Lectionary which will be introduced in England and Wales on the first Sunday of Advent this year. The first of these two days for those in the south of the diocese will be held in St Augustine's on 5th March. We hope to be able to offer the clergy soup and sandwiches. If anyone is able to help make soup for this occasion please contact Fr Tony.

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2.44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head.

A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, Unclean, unclean. As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You are my refuge, O Lord;
You fill me with the joy of salvation.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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FORTHCOMING FUNERALS

PETER SHIELDS Friday 16th February Requiem Mass 11.00am
St Augustine's

SISTER JUDE Monday 19th February, 12 Noon **St Thomas Aquinas**

IAN CARTER Tuesday 20th February Requiem Mass 12 Noon
St Augustine's

MICHAEL HOPKINSON Wednesday 21st February Requiem Mass 1pm
St Augustine's

JOHN INGHAM Tuesday 27th February Requiem Mass 12 Noon
St Augustine's



Yemen update from CAFOD : Providing medical assistance in one of the world's worst humanitarian crises

It has been over a decade since violence broke out in Yemen. The situation continues to deteriorate drastically, leaving millions in desperate need of assistance. This prolonged conflict has resulted in the economy coming close to collapse. Hospitals and public services are vanishing, and most families are living below the poverty line. CAFOD is working with a local Caritas sister agency, currently responding in the south of Yemen supporting families facing extreme poverty, disease, malnutrition, and the common threat of violence. 80% of Yemen's population is living below the poverty line and are in need of some form of humanitarian assistance.



Kumi Community Foundation is collecting wheelchairs, pushchairs, baby buggies, and mobility aids to fill a container which will go out to Kumi in Uganda later this year

for our local team to distribute to our children and adults in need. We have over one hundred who need a wheelchair on our waiting list, and it is lengthening by the week. Any condition is welcome as Kumi Hospital has an orthopaedic workshop which can repair those needing refurbishing. Please see us after Mass or phone if you have anything you don't need.

CHILDREN'S wheelchairs, push chairs, baby buggies and mobility aids are always welcome!

Contact Elspeth Robinson 07948 726280 or email robinsonelspeth@yahoo.co.uk



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER service in Darlington will be held on Friday 1st March 2024, 2.00pm at the Northgate United Reformed Church, Northgate, DL1 1QU. This is a world-wide ecumenical service, with hymns and a speaker, which Christian Churches of all denominations throughout the world hold on the same day, focussing on a particular country each year. This year the service comes from PALESTINE. All Welcome.

PLEASE NOTE – CHANGE OF DATE!!!

PROSECCO EVENING Friday 22nd March 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 Kabuyanda throughout February.



**SAVE THE DATE FOR LUNCH – February 13th
Shrove Tuesday 12.30pm**

January Church Flower donations £24.60 Thank you

11 th February 2024		6 th SUNDAY OF YEAR B	
Sunday 4 th February 9.15am Mass <i>live-streamed</i>	<i>6th Sunday of Year B</i>	9.15am 6.30pm	People of the Parish Margaret Lindsay
Monday		NO MASS	
Tuesday		Exposition 11am 12.15pm	D/M Owen & Early Families
Ash Wednesday		10.00am 7.00pm	Patrick Lisle RIP Helen Courtney RIP
Thursday		12.15pm	Anna & Reuben Raine RIP
Friday		11.00am	Requiem Mass for Peter Shields
Saturday		10.00am Followed by confessions	Tom Phillips RIP
Sunday 18 th February 9.15am Mass <i>live-streamed</i>	<i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>	9.15am 6.30pm	People of the Parish Brenda Frame 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 +	Veronic Ejike, Peter Shields, Sr Jude, Ian Carter, Michael Hopkinson and John Ingham.		
ANNIVERSARIES	FEBRUARY Anniversaries John L Taylor, Joseph Armstrong, Shaughan Bainbridge, Nora Kelly, May Early, Marie Cassidy, James McCulla, Margaret Lindsay, Fr Seamus Doyle, Owen Hanratty, Eunice Davis, Joseph Cooper, John Dolan, Catherine Milburn, Patrick McCarron, William Hutchinson, Maria Laundry, John Sellers, Sheila Brownless, Philip Plews Jnr, Theresa Lockey, Pamela Stephenson, John (Jack) Appleton. <i>May they Rest in Peace.</i>		
11th February	9.15 am	6.30 pm	
WELCOMERS		Steven Roberts	
READERS	St Augustine's Primary School	Jo Devine, Paul Mann	
18thFeb WELCOMERS		Steven Roberts	
READERS	Jan Scott, John McGovern	Brian & Julie Humphery	
COUNTERS	12th Feb Team A (CW, HR)	19th Feb Team B (MK, PA)	