



**West Durham Catholic Parishes:
Esh, Esh Winning, Langley Park and Ushaw Moor**

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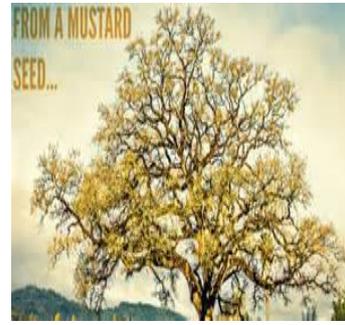
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Please telephone the Chaplain if you have someone in hospital who would like a visit.



	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 22 July <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	6.00 pm Mass Clifton Ward, Thanksgiving & P of P			
Sunday 23 July <i>16th Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Mary Coates and Family, Mark and Emily & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Deceased of the Quinn Family, Harry McCallum & People of the Parish	
Monday 24 July <i>The Martyrs of the Diocese</i>				
Tuesday 25 July <i>St James Apostle</i>	10.15 am Funeral Mass Olive Clark 7.00 pm Mass Priest's Intention			
Wednesday 26 July <i>SS Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		- No Mass today-	-No Mass today-	
Thursday 27 July			9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
Friday 28 July				1.30 pm Mass In Thanksgiving to St Jude and Our Lady
Saturday 29 July <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	6.00 pm Mass Jim Pirie, Kevin McMahon & People of the Parish	11.00 am Memorial Mass Agnes Hennessy		
Sunday 30 July <i>17th Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass James and Anne Redmond, Maggie Rowntree & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Douglas & Bella Linsley, Paul Boddice (sick) & People of Parish	

Recently dead: Olive Clark (Ushaw Moor), Funeral mass at St Joseph's, Tuesday 10.15 am



'The kingdom of heaven' 'What is the kingdom of heaven like...?' This is what Jesus talks about in the gospel of Matthew, chapter 13, part of which we hear today. Jesus draws on all sorts of examples from the world around him to describe the ways of God. 'The kingdom of heaven is like ...' Jesus speaks about wheat and weeds growing alongside one another. He speaks about the tiny mustard seed which grows and grows and grows. He refers to the woman who, in making bread, mixes the yeast with the flour so that it is all totally bound together. And Jesus says: 'The kingdom of heaven is like that!' The presence of God is mixed in with all that goes in our lives and, all the while, the presence of God in our world is growing. We might pray that our eyes are opened so that we can recognise God's activity in our daily lives.

- David Coxon

'Fun Day Sunday' Our new partnership, the 'Finchale' partnership, is to have a family day [*free for all*] at Ushaw College this Sunday afternoon (July 23rd). We start at 2.00pm, have loads of games and activities, a chance [*for £5*] to have a guided tour, then vespers (evening prayer) at 5.00pm. Do come along to the college and bring a picnic. This is a very relaxed way to get to know people in others parishes in our partnership.

Congratulations!

Hearty congratulations to Fr Peter Stoddart after his ordination as



a priest in the cathedral this weekend. Many of us were present to witness this event which is an important occasion for our diocese as well as for Peter personally. Fr Peter will soon be given an appointment to one of the new partnerships in our diocese but first he will be here at Ushaw Moor on Tuesday evening at 7.00pm to celebrate mass with us. We will also present him with a gift that evening. Everyone from our family of parishes most welcome to come along.

Ministries during holiday time. If you are to be away over the holidays please remember to contact the person in your parish responsible for rotas: Julie Kitching (Ushaw Moor), Denise Kendall (St Michael's), Bill McCormick (Newhouse). Alternatively, please arrange your own replacements.

Thinking about baptism? Next Baptism Information session on Thursday, July 27th at Ushaw Moor. Please contact Parish Office for more details.

Day of Reflection: When Holy Communion ministers are recommissioned each year they are asked to attend some day of reflection during the course of the next twelve months. An opportunity is being offered at Ushaw College on Saturday, September 9th, 10.30am – 4.00pm. See the notice in the church porch. Over the summer we will gather the names of those ministers wanting to go. The parish will pay the relevant fee.

Have you moved house? If you are new to our area, or if you have moved house in the past five years, then you may like to give your contact details to the Parish Office, or personally to Fr David Coxon. Forms for details are also available at the back of church.

St Michael's church will have some work done on the sanctuary walls this week. It should be back to normal by next weekend.

Ushaw College: We are told that lunches in the college café are very good! The café is open Wednesday-Saturday, 11.00am-5.00pm with main building open 1.00 – 5.00pm. Prayer at 12.30pm on Wednesday-Friday. Saturday Vespers at 4.45pm. There are also regular events to which visitors are welcome. For example?

- Wednesday, July 26th, 1.30 – 3.30pm: 'Shield and Defender' Family Fun. £3.
- Friday, July 28th, 7.30pm: Jazz with the Jo Harrop Quartet. £7.
- Saturday, July 29th, 2.00pm and 3.30pm: Behind the Scenes in the Library. £5

Call the box office, Monday-Friday 10.0am- 12 noon, 0191-373 8500 or ushaw.org

Altar servers: Any more of our younger people interested in becoming altar servers?

A Day of Reflection at Minsteracres: Next Saturday (July 29th) will see our annual ecumenical away-day at Minsteracres. Anyone wanting to make a last minute booking to go should contact Rev Rosemary Cox (Tel. 0191-373 1359)

Agnes Hennessy: Agnes Hennessy spent most of her life in Esh village until, in old age, she moved to Essex in August 2013 to live with her niece. Sadly, she died on June 2nd and was buried at Leigh on Sea. However, we are to have a Memorial Mass at 11.00 am for Agnes at St Michael's church next Saturday, July 29th. All welcome.



Holiday time! This weekend, as the schools break for the summer, we officially begin our holiday time. Whether or not we get a chance to go away, I hope everyone will have the opportunity to slow down and have a rest. Enjoy the summer! - David Coxon

God of all creation,
 you have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our diocese and kindled here a light which has spread throughout the world. Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself to learn from you and to model their lives on you.
 Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world.
 Come upon us, Holy Spirit, deepen the faith you invite us to share and inspire us to become faithful witnesses. As we begin to develop our partnerships, help each one of us to use the gifts you give us to nurture one another, to serve the world, and to live in harmony with the whole of creation. All of this we ask in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.'

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