



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

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	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 9 September	6.00 pm Mass Anne Cutmore & People of the Parish			
Sunday 10 September <i>23rd Sunday of the Year Education Sunday</i>		9.00 am Mass Robina & Philip Quigley, Mary Johnston & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Rachel & Matty Suddes, Dermot Slevin, Paul Boddice (sick) & People of the Parish	
Monday 11 September	11.00 am Funeral Mass Jimmy MCQuillan			
Tuesday 12 September <i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	9.15 am School Welcome Liturgy (In Church)			
Wed 13 September			9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
Thurs 14 September <i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>			9.15 am School Welcome Liturgy (In Church)	
Friday 15 September <i>The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>				
Saturday 16 September	6.00 pm Mass Clifton Ward & People of the Parish			
Sunday 17 September <i>24th Sunday of the Year Home Mission Sunday</i>		9.00 am Mass Norman Gowland & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Anthony Hogan, Rochford & Brennan Families & People of Parish	

Recently Dec'd: Eileen Gannon (Esh Winning) died on August 24th. Her funeral was September 8th.

James McQuillan (Ushaw Moor) died on August 27th. Funeral Mass on Monday 11 September at St Joseph's.

Your brother's keeper? Two friends of yours have a disagreement... We suspect our neighbour is handling stolen goods... The builder offers a lower charge if we are willing to pay cash... In any of these situations we prefer not to make comment or get involved. Partly because we feel very uncomfortable and partly because we don't want to get drawn in to unnecessary bother. So, we say nothing. Yet today's readings urge us to warn people against wrongdoing. What responsibility **do** we have for other people's misdeeds?

David Coxon

Welcome!

Welcome! This weekend we welcome Fr Peter Martin to our masses. Fr Martin is now retired and, like many of our retired priests, he offers invaluable assistance in helping out in parishes at holiday time. He now lives in Sunderland. Welcome to our parishes this weekend!

'Education Sunday': This weekend we will have a retiring collection to support the work of the Catholic Education Service.

AT HOME: Melanie & Julia Quinn of Rowley Farm, Cornsay Colliery, Durham, DH7 9EB invite everyone to their McMillan Coffee Day on Sunday 10th September (TODAY) from 12 noon to 4 pm. Please support this good cause. Cake stall, tombola, raffle, fancy goods, light lunch, tea & coffee.



Home Missions: Next weekend we are invited to contribute to a collection for our Home Missions. Not so much to mission work abroad, in other words, but to the sense of 'mission', 'reaching out', 'sharing of faith' with people in our own country.

Heritage Weekend: This weekend is 'Heritage Weekend' and, once again, many buildings in the North East are open to the visiting public. This includes our own St Michael's in Esh. St Michael's will be open this Sunday from 1.00 – 4.00pm and provides an opportunity, even for our own people, to take time to look round and ask questions of parishioners who are there with a keener awareness of our church's history.

Invitations: Many thanks to those who have now responded to my invitation to become Readers or Holy Communion ministers. Anyone else wanting to reply...? - David Coxon

Partnership Meeting: We are now part of a 'partnership of parishes'. This is why we have our 'partnership prayer' towards the end of mass each weekend. We are now looking for ways to work more closely not only within our own family of parishes but also with Langley Moor, Sedgfield, Trimdon, Coxhoe and the parishes of Durham city. Each of our parishes has a representative from its Pastoral Council and there will be a Partnership Meeting for all of our parish reps this Wednesday at 7.00pm. The meeting will be at St Joseph's, Gilesgate.

Food bank: Many thanks to all who donated 186.46kg of foodstuff in early September. Thanks also to Ken for all his hard work.

Pastoral Area Council: Wednesday, September 20th, 7.00pm in the Parish Office, Ushaw Moor.

Mission Boxes: Please bring your mission boxes to St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor to empty next weekend.

Job Vacancies in the Diocese:

Cathedral Outreach Co-ordinator – St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract;
 Children's Ministry Co-ordinator – Durham Martyrs, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract.
 Administrator – St Joseph, Stanley, St Patrick, Dipton and The Sacred Heart, Byermoor, 10 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract;
 Cleaner – St Augustine, Darlington, 14 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.
 Cleaner – St Anne, Sunderland, 3 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.
 Youth Ministry Trust – Director of Operations Vacancy - to provide overall leadership to all its activities at the Emmaus (Youth) Village and across the Diocese. 30 hours per week, 2 year fixed term contract. For further information on any of these vacancies please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us 0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

A Journey in Faith: Since October a group of parents have met most weeks to reflect on what sort of things Catholics believe. These sessions seem to be helpful to all of who are involved. There is no obligation or even expectation that those people who attend should definitely become Catholic themselves. This note is an invitation to anyone who is not Catholic who may wish to find out more and, in the process, deepen their own inner spiritual life. For more information please speak to Fr David Coxon or contact the Parish Office (373 0219)

Counting teams: At Ushaw Moor and, especially, Newhouse we need people to help count the collection after the weekend mass. Could **you** help with this?

Praying the Rosary: Everyone welcome to come and pray the rosary at our Parish Centre in Newhouse, Thursday, September 14th, 7.00pm.

Preparing for Confession & Holy Communion: We will offer information about this soon for parents of children, baptized Catholic, now in Year 4+

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.

