

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

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	<b>St Joseph's Ushaw Moor</b>	<b>St Michael's Esh Laude</b>	<b>Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse</b>	<b>St Joseph's Langley Park</b>
<b>Saturday 30 September</b>	6.00 pm Mass Jimmy McQuillan & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 1 October</b> <i>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Albert Golightly Rita and Michael Hogan & People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 2 October</b>				
<b>Tuesday 3 October</b>	6.15 – 6.55pm Confession 7.00 pm Mass Marie Carey & Irene & Jonathan Ramm			
<b>Wednesday 4 October</b>		9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
<b>Thursday 5 October</b>			9.30 am School Mass Esh Winning & Ushaw Moor (in Church) Priest's Intention	
<b>Friday 6 October</b>				9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention
<b>Saturday 7 October</b> <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	6.00 pm Mass Luke Dodds and Kevin McMahon & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 8 October</b> <i>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Billy Merrigan All members of the Merrigan Family & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Paul Boddice (sick) Tommy Flatley & People of Parish	

**Bishop's Letter:** In his letter at mass today Bishop Seamus challenges all of us to deepen our faith and to develop our awareness of what 'discipleship' means. He says that in any community and in any parish there are 'logs', 'hogs', and 'cogs'. What does he mean? And which of these might I be? Listen up in his letter today!

**Food Bank:** collection next weekend (October 7th-8th). The County Durham depot reports that donations are low just now, and demand is expected to increase. As ever all items are gratefully received, but there is a shortage of the following items: cereal, biscuits, long-life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding and sponge pudding. Thank you.

**Invitations:** Thank you to those willing to become new Holy Communion ministers. The dates for this training will be over two Wednesdays, October 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 7.00 – 9.00pm and then on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 10.30am – 4.00pm. - David Coxon



**Readers:** Several people have said they would be happy to become Readers of the Scriptures for our parishes. We hope to have a session of training for new Readers at **St Joseph's church, Ushaw Moor [DH7 7LF] at 10.30am on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**. This should last no more than about 90 minutes.

**Preparing for sacraments:**

Once again, our minds turn to preparation for First Communion....Our preparation tends to be for parents as much as for children, but children in Year 4 or above who have been baptized Catholic are eligible to begin preparation. On **Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm in St Joseph's church, Ushaw Moor** we will have an Information Meeting for parents to indicate how we hope to offer preparation for Reconciliation and Holy Communion this coming year.



**Confessions:**

Tuesdays, 6.15 – 6.55pm at Ushaw Moor.

**Parish Pastoral Councils:**

- Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm : Newhouse parish: meet in **Parish Office, UM**.
- Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm : Ushaw Moor parish: meet in Parish Office.
- Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 1.00pm: Esh/Langley Park: in St Michael's sacristy.

Any items you want discussed? Contact Parish Office.

**Reminder!**

The old £1 coins go out of circulation on October 15<sup>th</sup> !



**New altar servers:** Any more of our younger parishioners keen to become altar servers? All welcome, as long as you have already celebrated your First Communion. This Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup>), at 5.30pm, we will have a meeting at St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor for youngsters from all of our parishes who are interested.

**Blessing of graves:** November 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>



**Congratulations** .... to Tom and Rita Charlton (Ushaw Moor) who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this weekend. We wish them many more happy years!

**Catholic Club:** For some reason, when people google the Ushaw Moor Catholic Club they are being given the phone number of our Parish Office. Our office number is 0191-373 0219. The Club number is **07519-672570**. The Club is available for parties, events.

**A Journey in Faith:** Since last October a group of people have met most weeks to reflect on what sort of things Catholics believe. These sessions seem to have helped to deepen the inner faith of all of us who have been meeting. Three people are now hoping to be welcomed into the Church on the feast of Christ the King, at the end of November. Perhaps you, or someone you know, would be interested to find out more about the bible, about sacraments, about ways of praying .... 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)

**Ushaw College:** Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm: Westoe Brass Band. Admission £7. Light suppers from 6.00pm. Also, Canon Robert Spence now has a 12.30pm mass each Friday.

**Ceilidh Dance:** St Leonard's School is to have a ceilidh at Bowburn Community Centre, 7.00-10.30pm, Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Tickets £5 from school or at the door.

**Graveyard at Newhouse:** There are lots of wild flowers at our graveyard at Newhouse, some of them fairly rare. Clare Ross is seeking to preserve an area in the middle of the old graveyard to allow these flowers to grow. If you notice a section of the graveyard's grass has not been cut, then that is the reason. Clare will happily explain things to you.

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.