

**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 23 September</b>	6.00 pm Mass Ken Mahoney and Kevin McMahon & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 24 September</b> <i>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass James and Anne Redmond, Maggie Rowntree & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Joyce Towns, Paul Boddice (sick) & People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 25 September</b>				
<b>Tuesday 26 September</b>	6.15 pm Confession 7.00 pm Mass N.B.F.			
<b>Wed 27 September</b>		9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
<b>Thurs 28 September</b> <i>St Matthew, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</i>			9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
<b>Friday 29 September</b> <i>SS Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael, Archangels</i>				9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention
<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 Parish	

**Recently Dec'd:** Marie Evans (Langley Park) RIP.



**Food bank:** Next Saturday is September 30<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday will be October 1<sup>st</sup>. Since we tend to have our Food Bank collection on the first full weekend of the month we will invite donations in

TWO weeks' time (October 7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup>). Next weekend we will give an indication of items needed.

**The Finchale Partnership:** The Partnership Development Group met for the second time on 13<sup>th</sup> September. Following the success of our first partnership event at Ushaw, we have been discussing the strengths of each parish, and the areas where we need support. We have also been joined by representatives from the primary and secondary schools. We are beginning to get to know each other better but we still have a lot of work to do to agree the priorities across our 9 parishes. The Diocese is asking us to look at a range of subjects, from finance and property to liturgy and outreach, and we will need to involve more people in taking things forward once the plans become clearer. In the meantime, we are planning a partnership newsletter to keep everyone informed, and you can keep up to date with information about the partnership on our webpages, currently hosted at [www.stcuthberts-durham.org.uk/the-finchale-partnership](http://www.stcuthberts-durham.org.uk/the-finchale-partnership), where you will also find the name of your parish representative on the group and the full minutes of the meeting.

**Offertory Processions:**

Would your family, or you with two or three friends, like to take part in our offertory procession at mass? All this involves is bringing the bread, the wine, the collection basket and the memorial book to the altar for the preparation of the gifts. It would be good to have as many families or groups of friends as is possible to assist with this. Please speak to Jill Cox (Esh), Angela McKenna (Newhouse), Lisa Cummings or Geraldine Barnes (Ushaw Moor), or to Fr David Coxon.



**Invitations:** Many thanks to those who have now responded to my invitation to become Readers or Holy Communion ministers. Anyone else who hasn't replied...? Names of people wanting to attend the course for new Holy Communion ministers will be sent in this week. **Reminder:** 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



**Altar servers:** Some of our younger people have said they would like to train to become altar servers. They would then be able to help at our weekend masses and also school masses. Are any more of our young people interested? Please speak to Fr David Coxon. On Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5.30pm I'd like to have a meeting at St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor with those from all of our parishes who are interested.

**Our sick list:** Each week we have a 'sick list' in the printed version of our newsletter. If we know of anyone who is sick we might like to put their names on the list so that we might pray for them. However, it is important that we ask that person's permission before adding their name to be printed. Similarly, if anyone is on the sick list and has now recovered then we can remove their name from the list. Please contact us at the Parish Office about the sick list.

**Parish Pastoral Council Meetings:**

**Newhouse:** Tuesday 10 October at 7.45 pm, Newhouse Parish Centre;

**Ushaw Moor:** Tuesday 17 October at 7.30pm in the Parish Office;

**Esh & Langley Park:** Wednesday 18 October at 1.00 pm in St Michael's Sacristy.

**Thinking about faith:** Some parents or grandparents may not be Catholic or may not describe themselves as 'religious' but may wonder about some of the faith issues the children ask about when they come in from school. Then there are people who may not be Catholic but come along to one of our churches occasionally. Other people may have been brought up as Catholics but may not have had much involvement with church until they are thinking about baptism for their child, or First Communion. If anyone should want to meet up informally from time to time to find out more about what Catholics believe, then please speak to Fr David Coxon or contact the Parish Office by email [stjosephs.ushawmoor@btopenworld.com](mailto:stjosephs.ushawmoor@btopenworld.com) or by phone (0191-373 0219)

**Reminder!** The old £1 coins go out of circulation on October 15<sup>th</sup> ! The new £10 notes are now being introduced; you may already have seen one. The old paper £10 notes will go out of circulation next spring.

**Counting teams:** We do need additional people at Newhouse and at Ushaw Moor to help count the collection after the weekend mass. Could **you** help with this? Please offer help to the people mentioned above, or contact the Parish Office on 373 0219.

**Ushaw College:** In our newsletter we like to publicize events at Ushaw College but here, at the Parish Office, we don't yet have a new programme of events from September. Could anyone provide us with a current brochure of events?

**Wheelchairs:** available in our churches in case people should feel unwell.

Forward Together in Hope  
 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.

