



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

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*Alleluia!*

	<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 31 March HOLY SATURDAY</b>				
<b>Sunday 1 April EASTER SUNDAY</b>		9.00 am Mass All Dec'd Members of the Sherry Family & All Members of the Ryan & Brennan Families & PofP	10.30 am Mass Joan Emmerson & People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 2 April</b>				
<b>Tuesday 3 April</b>				
<b>Wednesday 4 April</b>			9.15am Mass Priest's Intention	
<b>Thursday 5 April</b>			9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
<b>Friday 6 April</b>				9.15 am Mass Maria Smith
<b>Saturday 7 April</b>	6.00 pm Mass Veronica Halpin, Anne Skelton, Donna Rose & Dec'd Members of the Richardson family & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 8 April 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>		9.00 am Mass Ken & Mary Johnston, Special Intention (TH), In Thanksgiving (RA) & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Cecilia McGinn, The Dowdell Family, Katie Brennan and the Brennan Family & People of the Parish	

**Sick:** Ann Waugh, Faith Wilthew (16), Caitlin Minnis (11) and Monica Mitten from Ushaw Moor.

Connor Robinson (10), John Fairbrass Jnr from Esh Winning.

Nichol Moralee, Francis Hastings (6) from Esh.

**Recently Dead:** Vincent Argent, (Cornsay Colliery)

**Anniversaries: Ushaw Moor:** Steven Tomlinson, Veronica Halpin, Frank Murray, Catherine Smith, Thomas & Sara Blackburn, Wayne McGowan, Ian Defty, Robert Wilkinson, Raymond Stoddart, Fr Oswald Whitaker.

**Esh Winning:** Bessie Patterson, Jane Marjorie Gallagher, Margaret Chapman, Julie Quigley, Edith Elsdon, Jim Sands, Cecilia McGinn, John Traynor, Andrew Webster, Ernest McKenna, Michael McDermott.

**Esh & Langley Park:** Tommy Cummings, William Josiah McTear, Martyn Anthony Hallam, Thomas Blackburn, Elizabeth Hewitson, Gregory Paul Welsh, Innes Ewen.

**Collection Details:**  
Ushaw Moor: £273.90  
Esh & Langley Park: £361.40  
Esh Winning: £143.15 Attendance: 62

	<b>Ushaw Moor</b>	<b>Esh/Langley Park</b>	<b>Esh Winning</b>
Holy Communion Ministers	Peter Murray Cath Rae, Jo Smith	Jo Bresnen, Karen Thompson, Pat Ives	Gerard Towns, Colleen Brown
Readers	David & Joyce McDonough	Geraldine Granath Joanne Sands	Lynda Elliott
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Eileen Tallentire	
Children's Liturgy	No Liturgy – School Holidays		
Counting Team	Lesley & John Thornton		Jacqueline Ball & Anne Sewell
Coffee Morning			George & Cecilia Wharton

*Living Faith: April – June 2018 available at the back of Church, priced 75p*

**Cream Teas** at Esh Winning Library 2-4pm every Tuesday from 10th April.



## EASTER SUNDAY



**Happy Easter:** 'Easter' is a specific day, but it is far more than that. Easter is about 'resurrection'. It is about being raised up beyond the ordinary hum-drum things of every day to seeing things differently. It is to escape from those things which drag us down so as to focus on what gives us meaning and purpose. It is about a God of resurrection who continually reaches down to us to lift us up. God's raising of Jesus from death to new life is his ultimate proof that God is serious about this! We are invited to speak to God about what holds us down, then ask God to raise us up. Raising people up is what God is good at!

David Coxon

**Thank you** .... to everyone at Ushaw College for making us welcome and allowing us to celebrate our Holy Week in the college chapel this year. Thanks also to our schools for the lovely prayer stations at Ushaw Moor during Holy Week.



**Food bank:** At the beginning of March our collection for the Food bank coincided with all that snow. Remember?! Our total was therefore significantly lower than normal. Many thanks, though, for the 61.3kg. The depot

was very happy as the 'cupboard was bare'! We will be happy to collect items again *next weekend* at our own churches.

### Parish meetings:

- Pastoral Area Council : Wednesday, April 18th, 7.00pm at Parish Office;
- Parish Pastoral Council at Newhouse: Thursday, April 19th, 7.00pm;
- Parish Pastoral Council at Esh: Wednesday, April 25th, 1.00pm;
- Parish Pastoral Council at Ushaw Moor: Tuesday, May 15th, 7.30pm.

After our recent vote to move formally towards becoming one parish it would be helpful to use much of these meetings to consider concerns and also our way forward.

**A Journey in Faith:** Some people may not be Catholic; others may have been baptized Catholic, and had First Communion, but didn't have the opportunity to pursue things in any deeper way. Might this describe you? Perhaps, in an informal way, you would now like to delve a little deeper into what Catholics actually believe. Interested? Speak to Fr David Coxon or contact our Parish Office (373 0219)

### A Day of Reflection:

On Saturday, April 28th we are planning a Day of Reflection at our Parish Centre in Newhouse. This will be from 10.30am – 3.30pm. In this Easter season Fr Jeroen (Minsteracres) we lead us in thinking about 'Discipleship'. This is for all of us in our partnership of parishes. We'd like to extend a special invitation to those who have been received into the Church over these past few months, and at Easter. The day will be free of charge but we ask that people sign up on the list at the back of church.



### Useful website contacts:

Our own parishes : wdrep.org  
Hexham and Newcastle diocese: redhn.org.uk  
Our local partnership: <http://www.stcuthberts-durham.org.uk/the-finchale-partnership/partnership-development-plan>

### Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Friday 27th July to Friday 3rd August 2018:

We have managed to secure some funding from the Parish Council to support any Youth from our Cluster of Parishes who wish to give up their valuable time to volunteer and help support our Pilgrims visiting Lourdes this summer with the Diocese. All Youth must be 16 or over to volunteer. Should you wish to go please get in touch with Siobhan McMahon or Julie Kitching through St Joseph's Parish Office by Friday 18th May 2018 so that the funds can be allocated.

**Easter raffle:** Tickets have recently been sold for an Easter raffle at St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor. Prizes include Easter baskets, chocolate hampers and a 28" TV. We plan to have the draw the next Saturday evening (April 7th).

**Ministries:** 'Ministry' is a word that means 'service'. Those people who have ministries in our parishes have generously offered to serve our people in a variety of ways, perhaps as a Reader, a Holy Communion minister, a Children's Liturgist, a member of a counting team, or whatever. Fundamental to being of service, though, is that we are first and foremost a part of our community. It is important, then, that those who minister are themselves coming regularly to celebrate mass with us as a 'community'. In busy lives we can sometimes be tempted to come to mass only if we are on ministry that weekend. This can indeed be tempting, but not really what we mean by 'ministry'! Those people wanting to renew their commitment to our parish as Readers are reminded that this will take place on May 26/27th. People wanting to be recommissioned as Holy Communion ministers have the chance to do this at Corpus Christi (June 2/3rd).

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



**Ushaw College:** Ushaw College has again opened to the public. On Wednesday – Saturday the hours of opening are 11.00am–4.00pm so that we can see chapels, reception rooms, exhibitions, and visit the café and shop. The shop, café and gardens will also be open on Mondays and Tuesdays, 11.00am – 2.00pm. Our new in-house café team offer delicious soup, quiche, scones, cake and sandwiches and 'Ushaw Afternoon tea' can be booked in advance for a special occasion or just because you feel like it! After three years of free entry, Ushaw is this year introducing an annual admission charge. It will be £5.00 per person and will be in the form of a pass entitling you to free entry after that for 12 months. Children over 5 and under 16yrs will get their own annual pass for £2.00.

This is the 450th anniversary of the foundation of the college by Cardinal William Allen in Douai France in 1568. Our local parishes have been celebrating Holy Week services in the college chapel this week and there will be a programme of concerts and events during the year, including a Flower Festival (June 12th – 17th). Check out the website [www.ushaw.org](http://www.ushaw.org) There is also a Mass every Friday 12.30pm. Finally, we'd love to have more volunteers. We have a team of over 80 people acting as stewards, guides, librarians, shop people and gardeners. They are a wonderful seem to really enjoy their time here. If you're interested please let us know at [volunteers@ushaw.org](mailto:volunteers@ushaw.org) or give us a ring on 0191 373 8500 – you can do as much or as little as you want – no obligation.