

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

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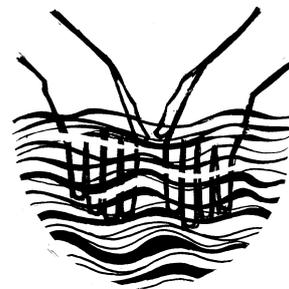
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Please telephone the Chaplain if you have someone in hospital who would like a visit.



	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 1 September	6.00 pm Mass James McQuillan and Dec'd Members of the McQuillan Family & People of the Parish			
Sunday 2 September <i>22nd Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Billy Merrigan and All Members of the Merrigan Family People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Anthony Hogan and Paul Boddice (sick) & People of the Parish	
Monday 3 September <i>St Gregory the Great Pp, D (NC)</i>				
Tuesday 4 September				
Wed 5 September				
Thursday 6 September				
Friday 7 September	10.00 am Funeral Mass Emily Middleton			
Saturday 8 September <i>The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	6.00 pm Mass Anne Cutmore, Maureen Hughes & People of the Parish			
Sunday 9 September <i>23rd Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Dec'd Members of Foy, Coulson, and Eland Families, Joseph and Ann Steadman, Margaret Cox & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Dorothy Rochford & People of the Parish	

Recent deaths: Emily Middleton (Ushaw Moor): Funeral mass, Ushaw Moor: Friday, September 7th, 10.00am

Anniversaries:

Ushaw Moor: Wilfred Manford, Ernest Clare, Fr Lawrence Thompson, James McLoughlin.

Esh Winning: Mary Sullivan, Joseph McKenna, Norah Turner, Mary Finchen, Billy Peel, Mary Baker, Patricia Mary Howe, Margaret Keaveney.

Esh & Langley Park: Mildred Sands, Jack Tobin, Joseph McKenna, Lawrence Welsh, Michael Lyons, Bill Salmon, Annie Callan, John Callan, Mary Beavis, Michael Brennan.

Collection Details:
Ushaw Moor: £172.40
Esh & Langley Park:
Esh Winning: £120.94 Attendance: 62

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	<u>Geraldine Barnes</u> Uma Nicholson Siobhan McMahan-Walsh	Margaret Hallam Lynn Dumighan Pat Ives	Linda Elliott & Cecilia Wharton
Readers	John Thornton	Denise Kendall Karen Thompson	David Low & Kathleen Flatley
Welcomer		Jean Ruddock	
Children's Liturgy			
Counting Team	Julie Kitching & Siobhan McMahan-Walsh		Angela White & Susan Carmedy
Coffee Morning			Colleen Brown & Eileen Rowland

'Inside' and 'Outside' Many years ago I was looking around wanting to buy my first car. I remember going to one place and saw a car that looked suitable. Not too big, fairly economical, highly polished and looking smart. Excellent! Then I looked under the bonnet - and it was filthy! Muck, rust, oil I didn't buy that car. That story comes to mind as I look at today's readings. Jesus talks about those people whose lives are all about outer show while internally things can be less attractive. Such people keep all the religious rules and, outwardly, tick all the boxes. They follow the Jewish religious regulations rigorously in the way they wash their kitchen utensils and themselves. Yet, it would seem, this is all external. In their hearts can be anger, lust, self-centredness, and very little genuine concern about other people. Jesus quotes the prophet Isaiah: *'This people honours me only with lip service while their hearts are far from me'*.

David Coxon



Welcome! Today we welcome Canon Robert Spence to our masses. He joined us a few months ago and is always keen to come and be part of our parish community, especially since he retired as a parish priest last year.

Need a priest? If you should need to call a priest urgently this week please contact Canon Spence on 07914-917607

Food bank: items welcome today.

Wednesday mass: No Wednesday mass at Newhouse at present.

'Northern Cross': September edition of the paper is available today at £1.

Bible study group: Over four Fridays (September 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th) there is to be bible study group at St John's, Meadowfield, starting at 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.

Next weekend: Next weekend Fr Robert Sowa will be coming to our parishes to speak about his missionary work and to make an appeal on behalf of the missions.

Heritage Weekend: In September each year we now have buildings up and down the country which are open for people to visit and look round. This is called 'Heritage Weekend'. Our own St Michael's church will be open next Sunday (September 9th) from 1.00 - 4.00pm, with guides to explain the church's history. St Cuthbert's church in Durham will be open on Saturday with similar guides on hand. This can be a great opportunity to look closer at things even for those people who attend these churches regularly.



Leaving mass: Recently I mentioned that I couldn't help but notice quite a few people slipping out from mass before the end, sometimes even straight after receiving Holy Communion. Obviously, there are times when people need to leave to catch buses or because someone at home is ill but if you find you are regularly leaving before the end it is worth asking the question: do you *need* to, or is it simply something which has become a habit? - David Coxon

Day of Reflection for All Ministers: There is to be a Day of Reflection for all who share in any ministry held at Ushaw College on Saturday, September 29th, from 10.30am - 3.30pm and will be led by Fr Andrew Downie, who is the dean of our local partnership. The title of the day is 'Serve the Lord with Gladness'. Places can be booked through the parish office and the Parish will pay the £7.50 fee.

Macmillian Coffee Day:

Melanie and Judy would like to invite you to a Macmillan Coffee Day on Sept 9th at Rowley Farm, Cornsay Colliery DH7 9EB from 11.30 to 3.30. Cake stall, raffle, tombola. Please come along and support this good cause. Everyone Welcome. Raffle Tickets on sale at back of Newhouse Church.



Children's Liturgy: Children's Liturgy is aimed at children of primary school age. As part of our Safeguarding policy, we now have to keep a register of all children who attend Children's Liturgy each week and all adults present i.e. the Liturgy Leader and Assistant. To help us do this without reducing the short time we have for Children's Liturgy we are introducing a new system in which a name card will be prepared for each child which they should collect from the liturgy Assistant on their way into church. They should bring the card to Children's Liturgy where they will be collected and used to update a register after Mass. The register and name cards will be held securely in each church.

Letter from Pope Francis: Recently, after further details about sexual abuse by clergy around the world, Pope Francis wrote a letter addressed to everyone in the Church. There are copies at the back of church if you should want one [*orange sheets*].

Esh Winning & Waterhouses Churches Together Body & Soul Group will meet on Wednesday 5th September in the communal hall at Esh Winning. Doors open at 11 am, service at 11.30 am followed by a light lunch at 12.00 noon. All welcome!

Our Partnership: Many thanks to those who have said they want to go to the 'Discipleship Conference' on September 15th. Names are being sent in today.

The Finchale Partnership: The Partnership Development Group met at the end of July, to review the first year, and to discuss the activity of our 6 sub-groups. The PDG concluded that we have achieved a lot in our first year, but we need to make sure that we give more people the opportunity to get involved. The minutes of the meeting, and the 'One Year On' document which we sent to the Diocese, are on the Partnership webpages hosted at <http://www.stcuthberts-durham.org.uk/the-finchale-partnership/partnership-development-group-information>, and there is a copy on the noticeboard at the back of church. If you would like to get involved, please see the 'Dates for your Diary' sheet, also available this week, for information about what we have planned.

