

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

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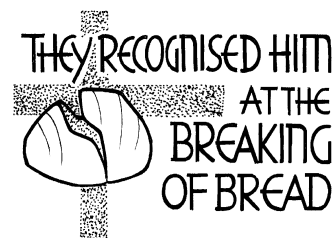
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	<b>St Joseph's Ushaw Moor</b>	<b>St Michael's Esh Laude</b>	<b>Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse</b>	<b>St Joseph's Langley Park</b>
<b>Saturday 4 May</b> <i>The English Martyrs</i>	6.00 pm Mass Pat Smith & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 5 May</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>		9.00 am Mass Jack Hewitson & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Margaret & Peter Rochford, William & Teresa Newton & People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 6 May</b>				
<b>Tuesday 7 May</b>				
<b>Wednesday 8 May</b>				
<b>Thursday 9 May</b>				
<b>Friday 10 May</b>				
<b>Saturday 11 May</b>	6.00 pm Mass In Thanksgiving People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 12 May</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>		9.00am am Mass Jim, Philomena and Ossie Outterside. All Dec'd Members of the Foy Family & People of the Parish	10.30 am First Communion Mass John & Julia Suddes and Paul Boddice (sick) & People of the Parish	

**Anniversaries:**

**Ushaw Moor:** Norah Bartlett, Kathleen Avery, Baby Libby Ditchburn, Thomas McQuillan, Irina Korotash, Catherine Ward, Anthony Joyce, Kevin Liddle, Brian Oliver, Joyce Moore, Ann Walsh, Joseph Martin, Thomas Hurst, Billy Smith, Marie Powell.

**Esh Winning:** Charles Sanderson, John Shaw, Michael Condon, Margaret Bell, John Duffy, Thomas McKay, Patricia Hogarth, Margaret Pickersgill.

**Esh & Langley Park:** Hugh Finlay, Catherine Dumighan, Lily Palmer, Joe Donnelly, Pat Hennessy, John and Olive Finlay, Robert Heels, Margaret Rutter, John Caygill, Margaret Goundry.

**Collection Details:**

Ushaw Moor: £200.76  
 Esh Winning: £ 155.18 Attendance: 89  
 Esh: 7<sup>th</sup> April: £305.15; Easter Vigil: £93.80; . 28<sup>th</sup> April: £407.80

	<b>Ushaw Moor</b>	<b>Esh/Langley Park</b>	<b>Esh Winning</b>
Holy Communion Ministers	Peter Murray Cath Rae Jo Smith	Susan Clark Veronica Chapman Jonathan Yates	Kenneth Kitching Colleen Brown
Readers	Christine Brennan	Ann Rush Pat Ives	Kathleen Flatley & Bill McCormick
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Jean Ruddock	
Children's Liturgy		Emma Peverall Noreen Gardner	
Counting Team	Julie Kitching & Siobhan McMahan-Walsh		Jacqueline Ball & Anne Sewell

<b>St Joseph's 200 Club</b>				<b>Prize Draw April 2019</b>		
£50.00	93	T Cullen	2 <sup>nd</sup>	£30.00	107	A Mountain
£10.00	38	P Hardie	4 <sup>th</sup>	£ 5.00	97	P Smurthwaite
£ 5.00	44	D Donnelly	Next Draw: 3 May 2019			

Membership now due for 2019/2020. Total given to the Parish 2018/19: £1,236.00



**Backwards, or forwards?** In today's gospel reading Simon Peter says: "I'm going fishing". The other disciples decide to do the same. I find this fascinating. Why? Because this is the job these men *used to have* before they knew Jesus. And now that Jesus was dead they were deciding to go back to the trade they knew best. They had been commissioned by Jesus to bring his message into the lives of others but now, what was the point? It was only their sense that Jesus was 'real' that prompted them to take up this challenge afresh. And so with us. Without this awareness that Jesus is real and a power in our lives, then our faith and sense of 'mission' might never take off.

David Coxon

**Welcome:** This weekend Fr Paul Tully, our hospital chaplain, will be celebrating mass with us at Ushaw Moor, while Fr Robert Riedling, from Langley Moor, will join us for our masses at Esh and Newhouse. Welcome!

**Next Weekend:** Vocations Sunday, and also a retiring collection to assist care work by Little Sisters of the Poor.

**Food bank** total for April was 151.28kg. Thank you very much for this. Today we take our 'May collection'.

**Confirmation:** Congratulations to all who were confirmed during the course of last week. Natalie Peart was confirmed last Sunday and then Rachel Jackson along with twelve of our young people on Thursday evening. Congratulations to all of them - with special thanks to our catechists, Joanne Sands and Jonathan Yates.

**Young People to Peru:** Some of our young people at St Leonard's school are to go on a working trip to Peru for a month in 2020. They recently had an Easter raffle to help with costs. A list of winners is now at the back of your church. Please check your numbers.

**Need a priest this week?** Contact Fr Robert Riedling at St Patrick's, Langley Moor (Tel. 378 4486)

**'Finchale Partnership' open afternoons:** People often say they would like to know more about the other parishes and churches in our partnership. So, the newly-named parish of Blessed Edmund Duke will be hosting an open afternoon this Sunday, 5th May, from 3.00 - 5.00pm. They are looking forward to welcoming visitors from across the partnership at St Joseph, Coxhoe, DH6 4DA, to look around, chat over refreshments, learn a little about the parish and experience the spirituality of Church. Everyone is welcome. The next will be at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs church, Newhouse on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Parish Communion Days

The First Communion masses will be:

- Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 10.30am: Newhouse
- Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 6.00pm: Ushaw Moor
- Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 9.00am: Esh

**'The Mastersingers':** This group of singers will be presenting a concert in our church at Newhouse next Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm. This is a fundraising event to benefit our primary schools at Esh Winning and Ushaw Moor. Ticket prices are: adult £10; children 8-16, £5; under 7, free; family ticket for 2 adults and 2 children, £25. Contact Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Primary School: 373 4343.

**Becoming One Parish:** We are now well on the way to forming our three parishes into one united parish. Each of our churches will keep its name but what do we want to call our joint parish? At an open meeting for all parishioners in January we had three suggestions:

- 'St John Boste': he is our local saint, arrested at Waterhouses and martyred in Durham in 1594. This is why the parish office for our current three parishes is known as the 'John Boste Pastoral Area office'.
- 'Holy Trinity': because we are three parishes joining together as one.
- 'All Saints': this name would accommodate all the saints who currently are our parish patrons, without highlighting any one of them.

You might like to give this some thought. We will soon have a vote on the name of our new joint-parish.

**"The Mission to Accompany"** Bill Huebsch is an amazing speaker. He will be leading a day at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton, Newcastle on Saturday 18 May 9.45 am - 3.30 pm. See poster at back of Church.

**Scripture study:** A while ago some people expressed interest in some bible study. Our Journey in Faith group has spent time following the story of the bible but some people may want more which will help them appreciate the readings at weekend mass. We have an ecumenical group which meets once a month to look at the Scripture readings for the next month. The next meeting will be at St Andrew's church, Brandon on Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 3.30 - 4.30pm. All welcome

**Renewal of ministries:** Each year people are invited to renew their service to their parish through being re-commissioned in their ministries. This year, Readers wanting to be re-commissioned will have that opportunity on June 15/ 16<sup>th</sup>. Holy Communion ministers will have a chance the following weekend, June 22/ 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Partnership Prayer:

Risen Christ,  
from your abundant grace,  
pour out afresh your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese.  
As we build on the deep foundations of faith  
laid by the countless saints of these Northern lands,  
by Aidan and Cuthbert, Hilda and Bede,  
may our Partnerships continue the mission  
of building your Kingdom on the earth:  
to give living witness to your love,  
and to your compassion and hope for our world.  
We pray in trustful confidence  
that your power working in us  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Through the same Christ our Lord,

Amen