

**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 13 July</b>	6.00 pm Mass Dorothy Robertson & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 14 July</b> <i>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Gwen March & All Members of the March Family, Ann Smart & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Michael & Mary Hogan & People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 15 July</b>				
<b>Tuesday 16 July</b>	9.15 am Leavers' Mass In Church with School Anne Cutmore		11.30 am Funeral Mass Bessie Gannon	
<b>Wednesday 17 July</b>		10.30 am Leavers' Mass In Church with School  2.00 pm Funeral Mass Marion Redmond		
<b>Thursday 18 July</b>			9.15 am Leavers' Mass In Church with School	
<b>Friday 19 July</b>				9.15am Mass Elizabeth Johnson
<b>Saturday 20 July</b>	6.00 pm Mass Jimmy McQuillan, Jim Rae & People of the Parish			
<b>Sunday 21 July</b> <i>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Jack Hewitson, Karl Stonebank and Family & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Tony Quinn & People of the Parish	

**Recently dead:** **Bessie Gannon** (Newhouse). Funeral mass, Newhouse, Tuesday, 11.30am  
**Marion Redmond** (Esh). Funeral mass at St Michael's, Wednesday, 2.00pm

**Anniversaries: Ushaw Moor:** John Millmore, Peter Usher, Jerrard Grimes, Olive Clarke, Mary Rowland, Robert Bullen, Theresa Bullen, Steven Griffin, Gertrude Ward.

**Esh Winning:** Bella Rowntree, Pat Shoulders, Olive McElwee, Margaret Halpin, Richard Moran, Andrew Chapman, James Daughtery, Millie McDermott, Veronica Williams, John William Newton.

**Esh & Langley Park:** Isabella Rowntree, Joseph Tighe, James Hughes, Bridget Sherlock, Ellen Myers, Brian Carey, Edward Mullaney, Catherine Reed, James Forster, Margaret Tighe.

**Collection Details:** Ushaw Moor: £201.00; Esh: £336.30 ;

	<b>Ushaw Moor</b>	<b>Esh/Langley Park</b>	<b>Esh Winning</b>
Holy Communion Ministers	Peter Murray Cath Rae Jo Smith	Jo Bresnen Susan Clark Emma Peverall	Anne Sewell & Judy Quinn
Readers	Christine Brennan	Pat Ives Stuart Cox	Bill McCormick & David Low
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Chris Thompson	
Children's Liturgy	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays
Counting Team	Julie Kitching, Siobhan McMahan-Walsh		Angela White & Susan Carmedy



**The Voice of God:** When we search for what God might want then we may say particular prayers, or say a prayer for a set number of days, or fast, or make promises and 'deals' with God, or be extra hard on ourselves. We can try any number of ways to get God on our side. There seems to have been something similar long ago in the time of Moses. The people were urged to 'listen to the voice of the Lord' and, through so doing, to follow God's law and teaching. But, said Moses, this *Law of God* is not hidden in the heavens so that it's beyond your reach. And it's not far away across the sea so that reaching it is impossible. No, the voice of God and the Word of God is *inside you*. Look into your heart and listen to what you find there. There you will find the voice of God!

David Coxon

**Becoming One Parish:** Over the past couple of weeks we have had the chance to look around our church to identify those people we instinctively feel to be approachable, supportive, and with some sense of what a Christian community might need to be focusing on as its priorities in 2019 and beyond. We are now wanting to choose people to become part of our new Parish Pastoral Council. This will be the body which will help to advise and guide our new parish. Nomination papers were handed in last weekend. Today we get a chance to vote. Voting slips are available at the back of the church, as is the ballot box to receive your votes. Please place a 'X' beside the name of the person you are voting for. Perhaps Holy Communion ministers could take a voting slip this week to the people they visit at home.



**Food Bank:** Thank you for your donations to the food bank last weekend. Our total came to a splendid 125.62kg. Thank you.

**Lay Training Fund:** This weekend there will be a retiring collection to help allay the cost of training people for the various ministries in our parishes. Many thanks.

**Reminder for this Saturday night, July 13<sup>th</sup> Charity Night Disco after Mass.**



**Fr Colm Hayden:** Fr Colm, one of the priests in our partnership, will be celebrating his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday this Thursday (July 18<sup>th</sup>). He is at St Joseph's, Gilesgate.

### Developing our Partnership

Each parish has a representative who is part of our 'Partnership Development Group'. This group looks for ways in which our various parishes can work more closely together and so, for example, helped to co-ordinate days such as we had two weeks ago at Ushaw College. There will be a further meeting of our Partnership Development Group this Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 7.00pm at St Joseph's, Gilesgate.

### School holidays

Towards the end of this week our schools will close for the summer holiday. The children will undoubtedly be looking forward to this but, I suspect, the staff even more so! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff in our schools for the tremendous work that they do. Most of us would never realise how early some staff come to school on a morning, and how late they leave. A big thank you to all of them.

**Parish Office:** Lisa will not be in the Parish Office this week or next. She will return to the office on Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Masses this week:** There will be a Leavers' Mass for each of our primary schools this week. Please check times on page 2 of this newsletter. And remember, our masses are open to **all** parishioners. You don't need to have a connection with school to come to the mass.



### Partnership Open Day at Newhouse:

A big 'thank you' to all who, last Sunday afternoon, took time to welcome visitors to Newhouse. We again had sunshine, lots of visitors - and an enormous number of beautiful cakes and goodies! Thank you. As we grow together as a 'partnership' it is really important that we take opportunities to meet one another and find out about each other's churches and parish life. We took this opportunity at Ushaw College a couple of weeks ago and then again at Newhouse last Sunday. We hope to have a similar 'Open Day' on September 15<sup>th</sup> to meet with people from St Cuthbert's, Durham.

**Fr John O'Byrne:** Fr John O'Byrne is one of the Claretian priests who served St Michael's and St Joseph's some years ago. He is to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>. He is aware that it is a long way to travel but he would love to see anyone able to attend the mass and reception that day. The mass will be at 12.15pm at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 2AB.

**Next week:** Next weekend we will have an opportunity to contribute to a retiring collection for the Apostleship of the Sea. This seeks to support seafarers who can be away from home for two or three years at a time. Sometimes these seafarers are in need of shoes, warm clothing and also phone cards.

### 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