



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

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	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 31 August	6.00 pm Mass Ann Cutmore, Sheila Kelly & People of the Parish			
Sunday 1 September <i>22nd Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Karl Stonebank & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Edith & James Hughes & People of the Parish	
Monday 2 September				
Tuesday 3 September <i>St Gregory the Great Pp D (NC)</i>				
Wed 4 September <i>Translation of St Cuthbert</i>				
Thursday 5 September				
Friday 6 September				
Saturday 7 September	6.00 pm Mass Ann Cutmore & People of the Parish			
Sunday 8 September <i>23rd Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Marion Redmond & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Joseph McKenna, Jnr, Dermott Slevin & People of the Parish	

Anniversaries:

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

Esh Winning: Mary Sullivan, Joseph McKenna, Norah Turner, Mary Finchen, Billy Peel, Ethel McMahon, Harry Rippon, Thomas Peel, Mary Baker, Patricia Mary Howe.

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

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	<u>Geraldine Barnes</u> Uma Nicholson Siobhan McMahon-Walsh	<u>Margaret Hallam</u> Emma Peverall Susan Clark	Colleen Brown & Kenneth Kitching
Readers		Pat Ives Karen Thompson	Anne Lawlor & Lynda Elliott
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Jean Ruddock	
Children's Liturgy	School Holidays		School Holidays
Counting Team	Ruth Outterside Angela Jones		Colleen Brown & Lynda Elliott

Macmillan Day: teas, cakes, refreshments at Judy Quinn's house, Rowley Farm, Cornsay Colliery on Sunday,

September 15th, 11.30am – 3.00pm. All welcome.

Shoe box appeal: Because of ill health Judith Hemmingfield feels she has to retire from helping with the Shoe Box Appeal in Ushaw Moor. Anyone else willing to stand in to help? Contact Parish Office (373 0219).

Partnership: On September 14th/15th we will have a statement at mass about church properties in our area.

Parish Meetings: Parish Councils: St Michael's, Wednesday, September 18th, 1.30pm

* St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor: Tuesday, September 24th, 7.30pm; * OLQM: Thursday, September 26th, 7.00pm;

* **Pastoral Area Council:** Wednesday, September 18th, 7.00pm in Parish Office.



Humility: Humility.... Being humble.... This is not about 'putting yourself down' or describing yourself as 'rubbish'. Being humble is about being honest, being real. The word 'humility' comes from the Latin word '*humus*' which means 'the ground'. So, a humble person is actually someone with her feet firmly on the ground, someone who is realistic and grounded. A humble person doesn't put himself down or talk himself up. He sees himself as he really is, as God sees him.

David Coxon



Welcome! Today we welcome Canon Robert Spence to our masses. He has been to our churches before so many of us will recognize him and he, in turn, will remember many of us. Canon Spence will also be at our Sunday morning masses next week.

Food bank: Items welcome next weekend for the food bank: especially **tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding** and **tinned custard**.

'Northern Cross': the September edition is available today with news and opinions from around our diocese.

Retiring collections: Next Sunday we will be celebrating 'Education Day'. We invite you to contribute to a retiring collection for Catholic Education at masses next weekend. The following weekend, September 14/ 15th, we are invited to take a collection for Home Mission Sunday.

Heritage Open Day: Sunday, September 15th will be the 'Heritage Open Day' this year. Our own church of St Michael's will be open to any visitors between 1.00 – 4.00pm.

Parish Pastoral Council: We hope to form a new Parish Pastoral Council for when our three parishes come together into the new parish of 'St John Boste'. Newhouse and Ushaw Moor didn't need elections because of having just enough nominations to the Pastoral Council. St Michael's, however, needed two elected representatives and the second place was a tie. We hope to have a further election on September 15th for this second position.

Day of Reflection: Some people attended a Day of Reflection earlier in the year either at Ushaw College or at Gateshead. This was for people who hold any ministry in their parish (readers, Holy Communion ministers, children's liturgists, choir, sacristans etc). If anyone didn't get the chance to go to one of those days in May then there is to be another at Ushaw College on Saturday, 28 September, 10.30am – 3.30pm. Booking is essential for this so, if you are interested, let us know at the Parish office as soon as possible. In the meantime, see the notice at the back of church.

Anniversaries: This Friday will see the 30th anniversary of the death of Fr Laurence Thompson. He was priest at St Joseph's for many years and died in 1989. Next Sunday will be the anniversary of Fr Thomas Cain who served at St Michael's for many years. He died on September 8th, 1972.

The Heart of Prayer: An Introductory Day on *Centring Prayer*: Ushaw College on Saturday 21st September 2019, 10.00am - 3.30pm, led by Elizabeth Smith B.Ed, sharing the teaching of Fr Thomas Keating. Thomas Keating was Elizabeth's mentor and friend. The cost for the day is £10 per person, to include tea/coffee in the morning and in the afternoon. Light meals may be purchased in The Refectory. Booking is essential. To purchase a ticket, go to www.ushaw.org

Wedding anniversary: Geraldine and David Granath live in old Esh. She was a Durham girl, brought up in Houghton-le-Spring. Her husband, Dave, is originally from Essex so, as Geraldine says, he had to be specially imported. They were married at St. Michaels, Houghton-le-Spring on September 7th, 1979 and so will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Saturday. Congratulations to them on their Ruby Wedding.

'Open the Book' Our schools will be returning this week and among many other exciting things, the children will shortly be engaging with 'Open the Book'. This is a way of looking at the bible through story-telling. This is how the bible first came to be handed on from generation to generation. At a time when fewer people were able to read then the stories of faith were told with a sense of drama. The stories of God's activity in our world were told as people gathered around the camp fire at night. And children still love stories! Our primary school are wondering if any other parishioners, parents, grandparents might like to help as 'storytellers'. Training and materials will be provided! If interested, please let us know at the Parish Office.

Need a priest...? If you need a priest urgently this week please contact Fr Andrew Downie (St Cuthbert's, Durham) on 384 3442.

Partnership Open Afternoon: All welcome to St Cuthbert's church, Durham for a look around and for refreshments on Sunday, September 15th, 2.00 – 4.00pm. See poster at back of church.

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