



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

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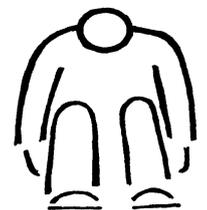
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**THE LORD
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	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 28 September	6.00 pm Mass Monica Mitten & People of the Parish			
Sunday 29 September <i>26th Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Marion Redmond, James and Anne Redmond Maggie Rowntree & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass John Lawlor & People of the Parish	
Monday 30 September				
Tuesday 1 October	11.00 am Funeral Mass Brian Elley <i>No Confession or Evening Mass</i>			
Wednesday 2 October <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>		9.15 am Mass School Chapel Priest's Intention		
Thursday 3 October			9.15 am Welcome Mass In Church With School Priest's Intention	
Friday 4 October <i>Family Fast Day</i>				9.15 am Mass Joe & Joan Dumighan In Thanksgiving Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Saturday 5 October	6.00 pm Mass Gannon and Glennon Families, Pat Loftus (Keelty) & People of the Parish			
Sunday 6 October <i>27th Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass John Coulson, Dec'd Members of the Foy Family & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Peter Rochford & Dec'd of Rochford & Brennan Families & People of the Parish	

Recently Dead: Brian Elley (Bearpark); Funeral Mass at St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor on Tuesday 1st October at 11.00 am.

Anniversaries: Ushaw Moor: Barbara Pattinson, Martin Gallagher, Eleanor Howard, Arthur Counter, Luke Dodds.

Esh Winning: Katy Mullen, Honor Rowan, Terence Brown, Tommy Carr Flatley, Teresa Newton, Margaret Kervin, James Hughes.

Esh & Langley Park: Jack Bolam, Maggie Rowntree, Michael Seymour, Austin Sands, John Rowntree.

Collection Details:
Ushaw Moor: £166.35
Esh: £270.30
Esh Winning: Attendance: 54 Collection: £88.41

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	Janet Dawson <u>Kath Gardiner</u> Pam Stoddart	<u>Sheila Robinson</u> Jonathan Yates Lynn Dumighan	Maria & Anne Sewell
Readers	David McDonough	Jean Ruddock Stuart Cox	Lynda Elliott & Jim Shoulder
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Noreen Gardner	
Children's Liturgy		Donna Hunter, Pat Ives	
Counting Team	Julie Kitching & Siobhan McMahan-Walsh		Phil & Paula Mackie



David Coxon

Complacency: Today our Scripture readings prompt us to think about areas of our lives where we feel untouched, unmoved, unconcerned about the very real difficulties and needs of people around us. We have the rich man in the gospel who dressed well and feasted magnificently every day, untouched by the poor man who slept at his gate. Even more powerful is the story of Amos in the first reading: *‘Woe to those who sprawl on their divans, dine on lambs from the flock, drink wine by the bowlful and bawl to the sound of the harp’*. They will be the first to be exiled! While we are getting on with our own daily lives, what is actually going on in the lives of people around us?



Confession and Holy Communion:

This Wednesday evening (October 2nd) we will have a meeting for the parents of children who are in Year 4 or above. This meeting will be in St Joseph’s church, Ushaw Moor at 6pm and will seek to outline our plans as we prepare for the

sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion over the coming months. Because every sacrament is about a celebration of faith and about being part of our faith-community then our preparation affords a real opportunity to children, parents, catechists & parishioners to reflect on what our own faith means to us, individually.

Fast day: Next Friday (October 4th) will be a day of prayer for the needy and hungry of our world. We are invited to take part in a voluntary fast day on Friday.

Food bank: next weekend. All donations are gratefully received. The items that the depot have a shortage of are **UHT milk, longlife fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, tinned spaghetti and sugar.**

From the bishop’s letter: Last week, at mass, we had a pastoral letter from Bishop Robert Byrne. He mentioned three events coming up this autumn: (a) the Englishman, John Henry Newman, is to be canonized by Pope Francis in Rome on October 13th. In this canonization Newman will be formally recognized to be a saint. (b) The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be at our cathedral in Newcastle on October 24 – 26th. (c) Information will be coming out shortly about ways in which we might engage more effectively with the bible. This project is called ‘The God who speaks’ and, for our children, ‘Open the Book’.

Diamond Wedding anniversary:

We seem to have had a few significant wedding anniversaries recently. This Thursday (October 3rd) will see the 60th anniversary of Joe and Joan Dumighan from Langley Park. Congratulations to them and to their family.



Partnership Open day: In July we had an Open Afternoon at Newhouse and many people from across our partnership came to chat with us and look around our church and Parish Centre. It was a very happy and successful afternoon. The next ‘Open Day’ will be at St Joseph’s, Gilesgate next Sunday (October 6th), 2–4pm

From the bishop’s letter Bishop Robert had an important item in his letter last weekend which might be helpful as we move to becoming a single new parish. He quoted Pope Francis in saying that *‘our parish communities must be “centres of constant missionary outreach”*. Bishop Robert went on to say that we need to look at *‘how some of our structures can be developed in order to assist our mission, and how we can become more engaged in taking the faith to those who do not know Christ’*.

Last Night of the Proms: There is to be a special ‘Last Night of the Proms’ at Ushaw College on Saturday, October 12th, 7.30pm. This will be with Easington Colliery Band and the Ushaw Chapel Choir. Tickets: £10 (under 18’s: £2) from Tel. 0191-373 8500 or www.ushawboxoffice.com

Bubbles and Bling: A Bubbles and Bling fundraising dinner is being at Ushaw College on Saturday 16th November 2019 to help raise money towards Christians World Challenge to Peru and Graces Netball trip to Singapore in July 2020. Tickets are £40 each and includes drinks on arrival, 3 course dinner with wine on the table, and Live Entertainment. All welcome. Booking details for the event are on the poster at the back of church. Otherwise if anyone can donate a prize for the raffle it would be greatly appreciated.

Children and prayer: Last week we mentioned an interesting article that had appeared in ‘The Tablet’. The article was about children and prayer, and how children very naturally take to meditative prayer. The article is entitled *‘Born contemplative’* and offers practical suggestions to help parents embed meditative prayer into their family life. Last weekend we had copies of this at the back of church, but ran out. If you should like a copy then there are more [on blue paper] at the back of church.

‘Northern Cross’ next weekend

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