



**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 2 November <i>The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed</i>	3.00 pm Blessing of the Graves 6.00 pm Mass Brian Elley & People of the Parish			
Sunday 3 November <i>31st Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Terry and Sylvia Hennessy. All Family and Friends of Dave and Geraldine Granath & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Mollie & Michael Brennan & People of the Parish 3.00 pm Blessing of the Graves	
Monday 4 November <i>St Charles Borromeo Bps</i>				
Tuesday 5 November	6.15 pm Confessions 7.00 pm Mass			
Wed 6 November		9.15 am Mass (School Chapel) Priest's Intention	9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
Thursday 7 November			9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
Friday 8 November				9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention
Saturday 9 November <i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	6.00 pm Mass Dec'd members of the McLoughlin and McCormick family & People of the Parish			
Sunday 10 November <i>32nd Sunday of the Year Remembrance Sunday</i>		9.00 am Mass Frank Coates, Joseph & Anne Steadman, Margaret Cox & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Kenneth Robson & People of the Parish	

Anniversaries:

Ushaw Moor: Vincent Kirkup, Hazel Freeman, Peggy Raine, John Pattinson (snr), Edward Kelly, Harry Kelly, James Kelly, William Conroy, Pauline Lewney, Alice Malley, Jozef Godoj, Anne Finnigan, Cyril Chatterton, Joseph Michael Dowson, James Holliday.

Esh Winning: Cuthbert McGinn, Fr Redmond Gibbons, Catherine Mallon, Ray May, Raymond Askew, Stella Anderson, Joe Bell, John Hennigan.

Esh & Langley Park: Evelyn Seymour, Joan Towns, Josephine Foley, Mary Brennan, Thomas Hennessy, Brenda Moralee, Mary Sherry, William Hall, Mary Richardson, James Hodgson, Gloria Johnson

Collection Details:

Ushaw Moor: 20 October: £227.50 27 October: £157.37

Esh: 20 October: £94.90 27 October: £220.80

Esh Winning: 27 October: Attendance: 57 Collection: £113.52

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	Janet Dawson Kath Gardiner <u>Pam Stoddart</u>	<u>Susan Clark</u> Jo Bresnen Margaret Hallam	Kenneth Kitching & Colleen Brown
Readers	David McDonough	Gerri Yates Sheila Robinson	Kathleen Flatley & Bill McCormick
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Chris Thompson	
Children's Liturgy		Donna Hunter Noreen Gardner	
Counting Team	Pam Stoddart & Madeleine McLoughlin		Colleen Brown & Lynda Elliott

31ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Confession: Many years ago, when I was a youngster making my first confession, our teacher suggested we prepare a 'list' of things to tell the priest: 'I have been disobedient', 'I have told lies', 'I haven't always said my night prayers', 'I have sworn'. This style of confession continued for many years, the same format and, to be honest, sometimes the very same list. Yet, confession is not really about offering a 'list' so that each item, as it were, gets rubbed out. Confession is intended to go rather deeper. It's a chance for us to reflect on our lifestyle and our attitudes. The Lord invites us to love, to forgive, to affirm in the way that he does. Very often we fall short of this because we think it is *them* who should be doing the forgiving, or because we don't want to put ourselves out too much. Today offers insights into how God approaches this. Read slowly the passage from the book of Wisdom. Take note of the depth of Zacchaeus' repentance in the gospel. Not just a 'list'...



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Food bank: Thank you very much for any items brought in for the foodbank today. Apologies for not giving a reminder in the newsletter last weekend.

Clergy Training: Last week we had a letter about the training of our future priests and deacons. We currently have five students in seminary. Today we will have retiring collection towards the Clergy Training Fund. You are invited to contribute today but the fund will be open for a further three weeks. There are some pink envelopes at the back of church; if you are unable to make any donation today, then take an envelope so that you can bring a contribution next weekend. If you don't get an 'official' pink envelope then any envelope will do the trick!

CAFOD Family Fast Day collections from our parishes totalled £ 156.18. Thank you.

World Mission Sunday collections from our parishes totalled £113.50. Thank you.



Blessing of graves: This weekend, the first weekend of November, we have our blessing of graves services. We gathered at St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor on Saturday afternoon and we will have our service at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs at 3.00pm this

Sunday. After mass at St Michael's on Sunday morning there will be an opportunity for blessing of graves at Esh and at Langley Park. Grave lights are available at £3 each.

St Joseph's Christmas Raffle : Any donations for raffle prizes will be gratefully appreciated. Proceeds to Parish Funds. Thank you for your support.

Becoming one parish: We are hoping to become one parish, the parish of "St John Boste" on the first Sunday of Advent (December 1st). Perhaps parishioners would like to offer suggestions for how our new Pastoral Council might proceed to help us grow as a community, a community of faith. We may hear something about this at mass today.

Newhouse Coffee Morning: It has been suggested that the coffee morning be resumed on the second Sunday of the month. Many of our parishioners love to have a catch up and a natter over a cup of tea or coffee and biscuit after mass. Could **you** offer to help on a rota basis? If so, please put your name on the list at the back of church. Thank you. We hope to have our next coffee morning on November 10th.

Fr Redmond Gibbons: On Wednesday we will have the anniversary of Fr Gibbons' death. He died on November 6th 1978.

John Henry Newman: Three weeks ago, Pope Francis canonized John Henry Newman. He is now offered to us as a saint to encourage us in our own faith. Newman was a writer, a poet, a theologian, a preacher and a great educationalist. He was also an Anglican clergyman before becoming a Catholic in 1845. He then became a Catholic priest and, ultimately, a cardinal, dying in 1890. Bishop Robert Byrne is to give a talk about Newman at St Cuthbert's, Durham at 7.00pm on Tuesday, November 12th. This will be preceded by vespers [evening prayer] at 6.30pm. All welcome.

Altar servers: Anyone thinking about becoming an altar server? Let me know and we can have a meeting.

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Thinking about baptism: We have had very few baptisms over the past twelve months but if any parents are wondering about baptism please get in touch with our Parish Office (373 0219) and we will arrange a 'baptism information' session.

Bubbles and Bling: A Bubbles and Bling fundraising dinner is being at Ushaw College on Saturday 16th November 2019 to help raise money towards Christian McMahon-Walsh's World Challenge to Peru and Grace Barrass' 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.

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