



St John Boste Parish, West Durham
Esh, Esh Winning, Langley Park and Ushaw Moor

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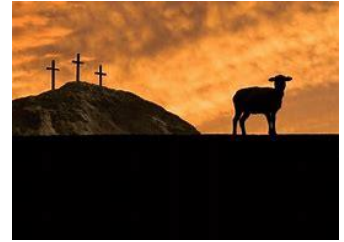
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Please telephone the Chaplain if you have someone in hospital who would like a visit.



	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 18 January	6.00 pm Mass Jimmy McQuillan and Family & People of the Parish			
Sunday 19 January <i>Day of Special Prayer for Peace</i>		9.00 am Mass Private Intention, Veronica and Billy Merrigan, All Members of the Merrigan Family & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Dermot Slevin & People of the Parish	
Monday 20 January				
Tuesday 21 January	7.00 pm Mass NBF (Confessions at 6.15pm)			
Wed 22 January		9.15am Mass (School Chapel) Private intention	9.15am Mass Private intention	
Thursday 23 January		11.30 am Funeral Service Allan Smith	9.15 am Mass Priest's Intention	
Friday 24 January				9.15am Mass Priest's Intention
Saturday 25 January <i>The Conversation of St Paul, Apostle</i>	6.00 pm Mass Carole Hart & People of the Parish			
Sunday 26 January <i>3rd Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Joan & Oswin Towns Snr & People of Parish	10.30 am Mass Olive & Joseph McKenna Snr, Joan Davies & People of the Parish	

Recently dead: **Dennis Cantwell.** Dennis used to be a member of the choir at Newhouse and also attended mass at Langley Park until a few year ago. He moved away from here and his family asked us to mention that he died in early January.

Joan Brennan (Langley Park) died on Wednesday.

Anniversaries: Ushaw Moor: Peter Webster, Mary Burley, Leo O'Neill, Jim Riley, Julie Ann Bradley, Margaret Gaynor, Joseph Corner, Elizabeth Harrison, Mabel Harrington, John Hope, George Gallagher, Carole Hart, Cynthia Rowland.

Esh Winning : Mary Ann Peel, Joseph Cutmore, Joan Taylor, Brian Joseph Finnegan, Agnes Corrigan, Nora Cran, Abraham Turner, George Stebbings, Joe McKenna, Alfred Wright..

Esh & Langley Park: Ellen Towns, Margaret Bennan, Robert Mullaney, Steven Brown, Robina Quigley, Brian Smart, Sarah McCabe, John Thompson, Frank Goundry, Fred Attle, Christina Ewen, Jack Callen, Fr Michael Mahon, Rev. Mgr. Hugh Cogan.

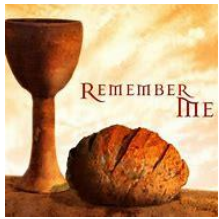
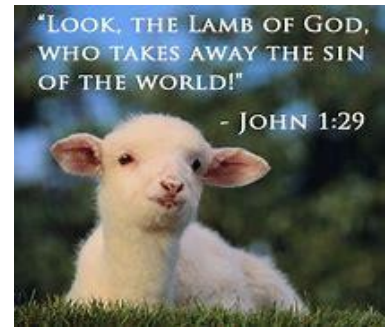
Collection Details: Ushaw Moor: £174.25; St Michael's, Esh £226.50; Our Lady Queen of Martyrs: £155.69. Attendance: 72

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	<u>Janet Dawson</u> Kath Gardiner Pam Stoddart	<u>Emma Peverall</u> Karen Thompson Susan Clark	Colin Davies Kenneth Kitching
Readers	Margaret Coonan	Denise Kendall Gerri Yates	Ann Lawlor & Chris Hogan
Prayers of Intercession	Peter Murray		
Welcomer		Carol Cooper	
Children's Liturgy		Emma Peverall Christine Thompson	
Counting Team	Ruth Outterside & Angela Jones		Colleen Brown & Lynda Elliott

2ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The Lamb of God: When we want to be close to God then we might do all sorts of things as a sign of what we are seeking, inwardly, from within our hearts. We might kneel down and pray, or give money to charity, or make some promise to God, or light a candle.... People in Jerusalem wanting to make amends and be at rights with God people might go to the Temple and buy a lamb. They would then present this lamb to the temple priest to be sacrificed, killed. They did this because they wanted to make some great sacrifice but instead of 'killing themselves', they sacrificed the lamb. Today this sounds incredibly cruel but the lamb was a substitute; the lamb 'carried the sins' of the penitent and, with the killing of the lamb, the sins were wiped out. This is the background to John the Baptist's pointing out of Jesus: 'Look, there is the Lamb of God'. John is suggesting that Jesus is the one who can take away the sins of the world. We use John's image just before we are invited to share in Holy Communion: 'Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world! Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb'.

David Coxon



Preparing for Sacraments: During the week children and parents preparing for sacraments were thinking about the 'offertory procession' we have at mass and wondering 'why on earth do we offer bread and wine to God?'

What do these gifts at mass represent? We will have a short liturgy about this at our mass today. Our next meeting for children and parents preparing for Reconciliation and Holy Communion will be at the Ushaw Moor Catholic Club on Wednesday, February 5th at 6.30pm.

Peace Sunday: The work of 'Pax Christi' is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Their vision is a world where people can live in peace, without fear or violence in all its forms. There is a retiring collection this weekend if you would like to support the work of Pax Christi. Thank you.

Christian Unity: This week is the week of prayer for Christian Unity. We used to hear rather more about this week of prayer but 'not hearing a lot about it' doesn't mean that it is now unimportant. Working towards unity of all Christians is part of mainstream Catholic teaching and, just as we seek closer union with other parishes in our partnership, so we seek closer union with our fellow Christians in our own area.



Churches Together: Our monthly 'Prayer time' will be held at St Patrick's Langley Moor on Tuesday 21 January 9:30-10:15am. All welcome.

Children's Liturgy: We have a Children's Liturgy at Mass each Sunday at St Michael's and at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. This is for children of primary school age.

Gift Aid: Gift Aid declaration forms need to be changed because of our becoming one parish, the parish of 'St John Boste'. There are 'standing order forms' and 'declaration forms' available in envelopes for you to complete and return to church ASAP. **Changes have now been effective since 4 January 2020.**

Partnership Development Group: As you know, we have representatives from all of our parishes on the Partnership Development Group. This group seeks to enable our parishes to work more closely together & also arranges occasional social gatherings, visits to one another's churches and some liturgical services together (such as Services of Reconciliation or services at Ushaw College). The next meeting of our Partnership Development Group will be at St Joseph's, Gilesgate on Thursday, January 23rd.



Holocaust Memorial Day: In our diocese it is has now become a significant occasion in the diary to celebrate

Holocaust Memorial Day. This usually involves a survivor of the concentration camps giving a talk about experiences in the camps, and also about attitudes since. We are invited to go along to St Michael's RC Secondary School, Beamish Road, Billingham, TS23 3DX on Thursday, January 30th, 7.00 – 9.00pm. All welcome.

Christmas raffle: Leading up to Christmas many people donated items for a raffle at St Joseph's church. This was coordinated by Margaret Coonan with help from Uma Nicholson and others. The raffle raised £347 for parish funds. Thank you to all who contributed or helped in any way. Unclaimed raffle prizes as follows: Yellow 14, 32, 111, 156, 175, 205, 260, 282, 312. Blue 23, 52, 477, 495, 547, 585, 615, 999. White 173, 246, 264, 276, 286, 305, 321, 442, 443.

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