



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

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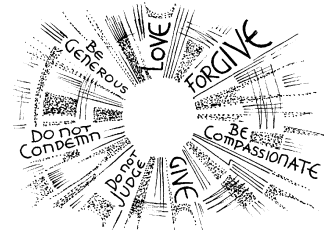
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Please telephone the Chaplain if you have someone in hospital who would like a visit.



	St Joseph's Ushaw Moor	St Michael's Esh Laude	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Newhouse	St Joseph's Langley Park
Saturday 22 February <i>The Chair of St Peter, Apostle</i>	6.00 pm Mass Sheila Steel & People of the Parish			
Sunday 23 February <i>7th Sunday of the Year</i>		9.00 am Mass Joan Brennan & People of the Parish	10.30 am Mass Doris & Jimmy Wilson, Syd Duggan, Peter & Freda Harrison's Diamond Wedding & People of the Parish	
Monday 24 February				
Tuesday 25 February				
Wed 26 February ASH WEDNESDAY	9.15 am Mass Suzanne Murphy	11.00 am Mass In Church	7.00 pm Mass	
Thursday 27 February			9.15am Mass Priest's Intention	
Friday 28 February				
Saturday 29 February	9.30 am <i>Morning Prayer</i> 6.00 pm Mass Eileen Nelson & People of the Parish			
Sunday 1 March <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>		9.00 am Mass Rita Tallentire & People of Parish 4.00 pm <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	10.30 am Mass Christine Potts and Maureen Duggan & People of the Parish	

Recently Dead: Lawrence Thompson (Esh Winning)

Anniversaries: Ushaw Moor: Alison Davidson, Ann Olive Brown, Rose Champion, Maureen McEleavey, Jane Boyle, Michael John Boyle, Jane Ward, Steven Riddles, Gladys Conroy, Olive Pattinson, Catherine Purdom, Jane Wilson, Joseph Craggs.
Esh Winning : Sarah Ellen Hughes, Ellen Rochford, Mary Bone, Larry Joyce, Margaret Dowdall, Betty Cantwell, Bill McMahon, Christine Potts.

Esh & Langley Park: Peter John Gilroy, John Tiplady, Carl Vitale, Mary Whitty, Rose Grieve, Alan Lamb, Lesley Dunhill.

Collection Details: Ushaw Moor: £156.03
 St Michael's, Esh: £219.60
 Our Lady Queen of Martyrs: £118.62 Attendance: 53

	Ushaw Moor	Esh/Langley Park	Esh Winning
Holy Communion Ministers	Janet Dawson <u>Kath Gardiner</u> Pam Stoddart	<u>Emma Peverall</u> Shelagh Robinson Susan Clark	Colin Davies & Lynda Elliott
Readers	Margaret Coonan	Eileen Tallentire Denise Kendall	JS & Kathleen Flatley
Prayers of Intercession			
Welcomer		Karen Thompson	
Children's Liturgy		Gerri Yates Anne McMahon	
Counting Team	Ruth Outterside & Angela Jones		Angela White & Susan Carmedy
Coffee Morning			

Easter raffle: St Joseph's, Ushaw Moor will be having an Easter Basket Raffle this year.

Any donations gratefully received. Thank you.



Be holy, as the Lord your God is holy. ‘Holiness’ might often be thought to refer only to formal religion, to praying, going to church etc. Yet this is an inaccurate picture since that is not how ‘holiness’ is presented in the bible or even in Catholic teaching. To be *holy* means to grow to be like God. And God wants to reach out to *people*, particularly people who are in need or difficulty. Perhaps you would like to have a slow read through today’s first reading, and then the gospel, in this light. Our holiness becomes evident in our relationships and the degree to which we seek to support those in need.

David Coxon

Lent Calendar: With today’s newsletter you will have received a Lent calendar with an invitation for each day of Lent.

Morning Prayer: On Saturday mornings during Lent we are hoping to have Morning Prayer at one of our churches. This coming Sunday (29th) we are all invited to St Joseph’s, Ushaw Moor for 9.30 am.

Stations of the Cross: Next Sunday (March 1st) 4.00 pm at St Michael’s. Also Wednesdays at 11.30am at St Michael’s.

Lenten Masses: Maybe try to come along to weekday masses during Lent?

Ash Wednesday: This Wednesday will be Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. This is offered to us as a time for reflection and prayer, and a time for a simpler lifestyle and diet. Trying out a bit of fasting can be a useful way to focus the mind on ‘those things that are important in our lives’. Masses on Ash Wednesday: 9.15am : *St Joseph’s*; 11.00am : *St Michael’s*; 7.00pm: *Our Lady Queen of Martyrs*.

Thinking about baptism: There have been a couple of enquiries about baptism so we hope to have a Baptism Information session on Saturday, February 29th. This will be at 10.30am at St Joseph’s church, Ushaw Moor. If any parents are interested in coming along then perhaps you could let us know at the Parish Office (373 0219).

Day of Reflection: There is to be a Lenten Reflection day at Ushaw College on Wednesday , 25th March, 10.30am–3.30pm. This will be led by Sr Rosarie Spence and will provide an opportunity to experience different ways of praying at this time of Lent and on the feasts of the Annunciation. The cost is £10 per person, to include refreshments at the beginning and end of the day. Please book: (a) online at www.ushaw.org ; (b) by phone 0191-334 5119; or (c) at Ushaw’s reception desk. Poster at back of church.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Peter and Freda Harrison (Waterhouses) who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last Thursday.

Fr Paul Hopper: For the past three years or so, while doing a doctorate at Durham University, Fr Robert Riedling has been priest in charge at St Patrick’s, Langley Moor. Now Fr Robert is to leave St Patrick’s and, in due course, will return to his diocese in Australia. In the meantime, Bishop Robert Byrne has appointed Fr Paul Hopper to look after St Patrick’s as a member of our Finchale partnership. Fr Hopper is a Holy Ghost Father and I’m sure we will meet him at some point.

‘The God who Speaks’ No bible study session this Thursday. Next meeting: March 5th.

Food bank: Saturday/ Sunday, March 7/8th.

Gift Aid declarations: Thank you to all who, over the years, have signed Gift Aid declarations for their respective parishes. Now that we have amalgamated into the one parish of ‘**St John Boste**’ then declaration forms now need to be signed in support of our newly named parish. This is an opportunity for all who have been part of Gift Aid previously, but also for all who might like to join in for the first time. Perhaps you could return your declarations to Margaret Sands, Kevin Quigley, Peter Murray or to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Sunday, March 8th During our monthly coffee morning in the Parish Centre at Newhouse on Sunday, March 8th someone has offered to come and speak about powers of attorney. This is open to anyone who would like to discover more.

Collections for prisoners being released from local prisons: ‘Nepacs’ is a north east charity which has been supporting people affected by imprisonment for over 135 years. Once again, we would like to collect items for ‘nepacs’ to make up Toiletry and Homeless Packs for prisoners being released who are in particular need. Our previous collections have been greatly appreciated. Useful items to contribute to the Toiletry Packs are toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, shower gel, soap, deodorant (roll-on or spray), flannels, combs and wet wipes. Packs for anyone who is homeless on their release also include socks, plasters, waterbottle/flask, bacterial gel, and a dry food pack (coffee, tea bags, hot chocolate powder, cup-a-soup, cereal bars, sugar, stirrer, Mars Bars). In addition, the packs for HMP Low Newton need lip balm and Sanitary Pack (STs, tampons, panty liners), and those for HMP Durham need disposable razors and shaving foam. Please bring any items to your church and they will be passed on from there.

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