

The week ahead...

Saturday 10 November Vigil Mass for Remembrance Sunday	5:00pm	Mass: Teresa Coad, the Dead of the two World Wars and <i>pro populo</i>
Sunday 11 November Remembrance Sunday	NO MASS	
Monday 12 November <i>St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</i>	NO MASS	
Tuesday 13 November Weekday of Ordinary Time 32	6:30pm	Mass: Private Intention
Wednesday 14 November Weekday of Ordinary Time 32	9:30am	Mass: The Faithful Departed
Thursday 15 November Weekday of Ordinary Time 32	9:30am	Mass: The Faithful Departed
Friday 16 November Weekday of Ordinary Time 32	7:00am	Mass: Private Intention
Saturday 17 November Vigil Mass for 33 rd Sunday	5:00pm	Mass: Moran family and <i>pro populo</i>



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Remembrance Sunday 11 November, 2018

Remembrance Sunday 2018

Remembrance Sunday always gets plenty of publicity and we are made aware of it in this part of the world by the appearance in mid to late October of fundraising poppies that people often display on their clothing or even on their car. They are also prominent in various public spaces. Remembrance Sunday this year is more significant than in previous years because it marks the hundredth anniversary of the Armistice which effectively brought an end to four years of carnage on a scale never before seen. The official end of the war came, of course, with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles in June 1919. This is why you will sometimes see World War One monuments marked with the dates 1914-1919 instead of the usual 1914-1918.

Yet just fifteen years after the guns of the First World War fell silent, Adolf Hitler took the reins of power in Germany after the turmoil of the Weimar Republic and a handful of years later Britain declared war on Germany and a conflict of even greater magnitude than the "Great War" of 1914-1918 was underway.

And when we consider the conflicts that have been spawned since the Second World War, it is easy to feel somewhat depressed: Korea, Vietnam, Northern Ireland, the Falkland Islands, the Gulf Wars, the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan, to say nothing of the many conflicts that don't grab the headlines simply because the scale is considerably smaller than these better known conflicts or the non-involvement of Europeans or Americans means that it is not considered newsworthy in most of the developed world.

But we must resist the temptation to despair. As Christians, it is hope that sustains us, perhaps most especially in the darkest of times. But it is incumbent upon us to actively work for peace and not to understand hope to be personified in a God who is content for us to do nothing but wait for his miraculous intervention to bring about the peaceful world for which we all long. We must radiate peace and justice in all we do, even in the humble circumstances of our everyday lives. In essence, if we cannot "live peace and justice" in our everyday affairs with other people, how can we expect peace and justice to exist in the larger sphere between nations?

Our Mass this weekend is a Mass for the Dead for all those who died in the two world wars that so scarred the early twentieth century. Forty men from this parish went to fight in the First World War never to return. Most certainly there were locals lost in the fighting of the Second World War too. These losses will not have been in vain if our professed Christian faith, based on the death and resurrection of Jesus, compels us to work relentlessly for a world where the conditions ripe for conflict are stymied by our active love for peace and justice.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.*



Confessions available after all Masses or by appointment

MINISTRIES
Saturday 10 November
Eucharistic Ministers
 Teresa & Malcolm Wass
 Andrew Aberdeen
Readers
 Maria Griffiths
 Angela Harmston
Children's Liturgy
 Maria Griffiths
 Michelle Dennis
Welcomers
 Angela Harmston
 Christine Tracey
Music
 Bill Wilkinson & Choir

MINISTRIES
Saturday 17 November
Eucharistic Ministers
 John & Irene Carey
 Kevin Boyle
Readers
 Marie Paily
 Stella Foody
Children's Liturgy
 Anne Davies
 Angela Harmston
Welcomers
 Pat Middleton
 Mary Kitching
Music
 Greg Mearman & Choir

Remembrance Sunday

Should you have any items for the bulletin or wish to have it emailed to you, please contact the parish via phone or email. Contact details are on the front of the bulletin. Items for publication need to be submitted by **12:00noon on Thursday.**

We pray for our beloved deceased, including....



THE WAR DEAD
 Teresa COAD
 John CANAVAN
 Jennie MIDDLETON
 John JAMIESON
 Robert TUMILTY
 Lorraine HENNAGE

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish....

*Frances Harland, Sylvia Kelly,
 Mary Spears, Rose Crick,
 Doreen Carroll, Jack Tobin,
 Tom Taylorson,
 Margaret Pouton,
 Vera Lumsden
 and Pat Harrison*



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION
£ Gift Aid: £190 Loose Plate: £182
TOTAL: £372
 Mass Attendance: 154
 DIOCESE OF HEXHAM AND NEWCASTLE
 CHARITY NUMBER 1143450



What's going on...?

Gathering after Mass this week: Thank you to all who helped make last week's gathering after Mass such a nice. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Clergy Training Fund Appeal: Thank you for your generosity last weekend. So far we have raised £135.30. This compares with the £190.00 raised last year by our parish. This appeal will remain open until **25 November**. Gift aid envelopes and annual reports are available at the rear of the church.

World Mission Appeal: The World Mission Appeal held a couple of weeks ago raised a total of £296.60. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Pastoral Council: The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is scheduled for **Wednesday, 21 November at 7:00pm**. As always, the minutes of the last meeting and a draft agenda are posted on the noticeboard. An attendance sheet is available on a clipboard on the table at in the narthex for those who are not members of the PPC but who would like to attend as parishioners.

Piety Stall: There is a tremendous collection of Christmas-themed goods now available for sale at competitive prices at the pious goods stall at the rear of the church. Feel free to check it out!

Coffee Morning Fundraiser for HCPT: This is to be held here at St Patrick's on **Saturday, 17 November from 10:00am - 2:00pm**. Funds raised will assist the HCPT Lourdes Group 25. Coffee, cake, raffles and stalls. Tickets are £1.50 each and available after Saturday evening Masses. Please support this worthy cause!

Youth Groups: Come along to one of our groups at Durham Martyrs Parish to make new friends, share a meal and take some time out. We have three groups, for three different age ranges, the details of which can be found below:

Base Camp - For school years 4 and 5 - Tuesdays 4:30 - 6:30pm

Signpost - For school years 6, 7 and 8 - Thursdays 5:00 - 7:00pm

Frontier - For school years 9 - 13 - Wednesdays 7:00 - 9:00pm

All groups will meet in the Jubilee Room at St Joseph's Church, Mill Lane, Gilesgate, Durham, DH1 2JG. Entry is £1.50 and includes a meal.

The groups are run by Katie Flood, the Youth Ministry Coordinator for Durham Martyrs Parish, along with other volunteers from the parish who are all DBS checked.

If your child wishes to attend the groups, please be aware that you will be required to complete consent forms, including photo consent, before you leave your child with us. These can be completed upon your arrival.

For more information about the groups please contact Katie Flood at youth.durhammartyrs@rcdhn.org.uk or on 07483 36956.

Memory Café: The parish of Durham Martyrs hold a café on the **second Tuesday** of every month, from **1:00pm - 3:00pm**, for those affected by dementia and their carers. They meet at St Joseph's Church in Gilesgate. For more information contact the parish secretary on (091) 384 3810. See the noticeboard for more details.

Noticeboard: As always, there are plenty of events happening both around the partnership and around the diocese which there isn't room here to mention, so please look at the noticeboards regularly to find out about events that may interest you.

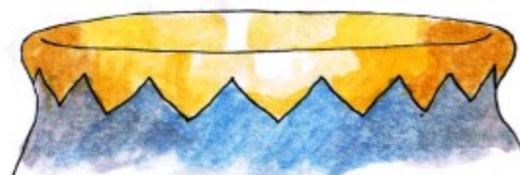


The Kids' Bulletin

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 11th, 2018



Mark 12:38-44



In today's Gospel reading Jesus saw a poor woman putting everything she had into the Temple treasury. How much was it? Connect the dots to find out!

SCHOOL NEWS

Statement to Live By

This week's statement was, 'I try to be just and fair'. We shared Psalm 146 and talked about the need to be just and fair to our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate than ourselves and to those whom we meet every day, at home, at school and at work.

Konflux Theatre in Education

We were visited by Konflux Theatre in Education this week. Each class took part in a range of dramatic activities. These included the exploration of feelings and emotions through movement and pupils creating 'freeze frames', in response to war poetry by Wilfred Owen.

School Gates

Next week, repairs will be made to both the front entrance and side entrance gates. At least one gate will be in use at any one time. We hope this essential work does not inconvenience anyone visiting the school.

Masses and Liturgies

The following celebrations have been organised for the coming couple of weeks:

Wednesday, 14 November @ 2:45pm: Mass with Year 6 (Chapel)

Thursday, 15 November @ 9:30am: Mass with Reception, Years 1 & 2 (Church)

Thursday, 15 November @ 2:45pm: Mass with Year 5 (Chapel)

All welcome!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St Gertrude (the Great) of Helfta - 16 November

Gertrude was born at Eisleben in Thuringia, Germany in 1256. As a girl she was educated by the Benedictine nuns at Helfta (Germany) and was particularly talented at literature and philosophy. She turned to God and became a nun herself. She was devoted to the mystery of the Incarnation, in particular to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Eucharist. She was the recipient of many mystical experiences, and her spiritual writings had great influence in later centuries and indirectly contributed to the establishment of the feast of the Sacred Heart. She died around 1301.



(Information taken from Universalis)

~ CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DH7 ~

Pope Francis' Mission Statement for November

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

"In the name of Jesus we can make known, through our witness, that peace is possible."

**LOVE,
LOVE,
LOVE**

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Prayer Group & Bible Study

Prayer Group meets Tuesday **20 November** at St Patrick's, Langley Moor, 9:30am - 10:15am.

Gospel Study meets Monday **12 November** at St Andrew's Methodist, Brandon, 3:30pm - 4:45pm. Refreshments available before the meeting.

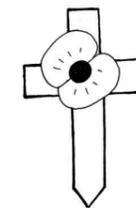
The **Advent Study Group** will commence on Friday, **23 November**, 2pm - 3pm. This group will meet weekly. The York course "Life to the Full" will be used. More news to come!



DID YOU KNOW...?

...that the idea of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was the idea of a British World War One chaplain?

The Reverend David Railton was an Anglican clergyman and a chaplain on the western front during World War One. He had the idea of having an unidentified British soldier buried amongst kings and other dignitaries in Westminster Abbey to represent the hundreds of thousands who had died on the battlefields.



"QUOTE OF THE WEEK"

"The more confident we become as to the certainty of the ultimate success of the Allies, the more important it is that we should bear steadily in mind the thing we are fighting for... [The] aim is nothing less than to banish war from the earth. Anything less than that would be inadequate to compensate the free peoples for the sufferings and sacrifices they have borne."

Remembrance Day



Lest We Forget

The Tablet
14 September 1918

PLEASE PRAY... for the following intentions throughout Autumn as requested by Bishop Séamus: **Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer...

