



Bishop's Column

Usually, May is a month full of celebrations – First Holy Communions, Confirmations, and it's the beginning of the "Wedding Season". On May 11, Francis Sutcliffe will be ordained to the priesthood. Most of Francis' adult life has been spent in ministering in the Anglican Church. However, he felt called to join the Catholic Church and Pope Francis has given permission for him to be ordained into the priesthood in the Catholic Church. I am sure you will keep him and his wife Barbara in your prayers as he approaches this wonderful event, which will take place in his home parish of St John of Beverley.

Of course, May, Spring Bank Holiday, is also the time of our annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. St Bernadette was born on January 7 1844 and was baptised on January 9. So this year we are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of her birth and on April 16 we celebrate the 140th anniversary of her death.

The theme for this year in Lourdes is from the Beatitudes in St Luke's Gospel: Blessed are the poor, for the Kingdom of God is theirs. In choosing this theme, we are not being asked to say that poverty is a good thing in itself. That would be so wrong and also very demeaning and insulting to those who, despite their best efforts, find themselves the victims of misfortune.

Rather, we are being encouraged to follow the path offered to Bernadette by Our Lady. We have to die to self in order to find true life in Christ. Here in Lourdes, we have the time to take a good long look at the way we live our lives. We have the opportunity to get

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Celebrating The Church's Mission In The World

Catholics around the world will celebrate the Church's missionary and evangelical work in a special way later this year.

Pope Francis has initiated Extraordinary Mission Month October 2019 to mark the 100th anniversary of Pope Benedict XV's apostolic letter *Maximum Illud*, which identified the principles and priorities of the Catholic missions.

The theme of the month is "Baptised and Sent: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World."

In 1622, the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith was created by Pope Gregory XV to promote and direct the work of evangelisation and of the missionary efforts of the Church.

Pope St Paul VI emphasised the importance of its work in 1967 and gave the dicastery a new name, the Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples (CEP).

All baptised Catholics are responsible for the mission of the Church, supporting the Holy Father in his role as Universal Shepherd.

The Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS) are committed to promoting and supporting the missionary efforts of the Church through prayer, self-sacrifice and missionary vocations. They were born from a deep concern for the missions of both laity and clergy in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Extraordinary Mission Month October 2019 will be marked in our diocese when Bishop Terry celebrates Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Thursday October 17 at 7pm.

Our diocesan director Canon Michael Loughlin will be telling us more about the work of the PMS and Extraordinary Mission Month October 2019 in forthcoming issues of the Voice.

How To Live The Extraordinary Missionary Month

Pope Francis has specified four dimensions to help us live the Extraordinary Missionary Month October 2019.

1. A personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in His Church through the Eucharist, the Word of God, personal and communal prayer.
2. Testimony: Missionary saints, martyrs and confessors of the faith, as an expression of the Church scattered throughout the world.
3. Missionary formation: Biblical, catechetical, spiritual and theological.
4. Missionary charity.



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Prayer for the Extraordinary Missionary Month

Heavenly Father,
When your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he commissioned his followers to "go and make disciples of all nations" and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.

Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.

Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

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The developing Pastoral Strategy and a renewed emphasis on Adult Formation are key aspects in the future of the Diocese. In the light of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, and the General Directory for Catechesis, the Coordinator will contribute to the development and implementation of the unfolding Diocesan vision for missionary discipleship and lay pastoral ministry.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Middlesbrough covers a geographical area from Teesside to Humberside, consisting of Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland, Stockton on Tees (South of the River Tees), the cities of Kingston upon Hull and York, East Yorkshire and most of North Yorkshire.

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rid of the clutter and rubbish that we often drag around with us. We have the chance to see what is really important to us, and to focus on it.

For me, Lourdes has always been a place where the Gospel works in a very clear and visible way. The last can become first and the poor can become rich, the lame can walk, those who have been laid low by sickness and depression can rise up again – the Kingdom of God is truly present among us here! And its joy!

All of us are poor in some way – financially, perhaps, but physically, emotionally, spiritually, relationally, intellectually, socially. Our Lady told Bernadette that she did not promise to make her happy in this world but in the next. While the Diocesan Pilgrimage is in Lourdes, I ask all of us to pray that we may recognise our own poverty so that we may experience the joy of being called into God's Kingdom, even here and now.

Finally, I draw your attention to the article in this month's Voice introducing Extraordinary Mission Month October 2019. I'll be telling you more about this important initiative from Pope Francis in the month's leading up to the celebration.

Yours in blessed hope,

Francis Is Ordained As Deacon



Francis lies prostrate on the altar during his ordination as a deacon

Bishop Terry told the congregation to reflect on the love and guidance we receive from God in the sacraments during the Ordination to the Diaconate of Francis Sutcliffe.

The ordination took place during the 10.45 Mass at his home parish of St John of Beverley Church, Beverley, on Sunday March 17. Francis, who is 71, is a former Anglican vicar and is married to Barbara. He will be ordained to the priesthood at the same church on Saturday May 11.

Deacon Peter Taylor, from Ingleby Barwick, is nearing the end of his studies at the Venerable English College in Rome and will be ordained to the priesthood at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday September 7.

Intentions For Lourdes

For the Holy Father and for all leaders in the Church, that they might be guided by the Holy Spirit and confirmed in their faith.

For all Christians, that they might understand Baptism as the first and most important call and hear the Father's voice proclaiming them his beloved daughters and sons.

For all those who have been Confirmed, that they claim the gifts of the Spirit given to them at Confirmation and become strong witnesses to the presence of the Risen Lord in their lives and in the world.

For all who are seeking God's will, that they might hear his voice calling them and experience the support and wisdom of the Christian community.

For all on pilgrimage here in Lourdes, that they might truly recognise that Christ is the centre of their lives

For the Diocese of Middlesbrough, that all might hear and respond to the call to become missionary disciples in a missionary Church.

For all those who are suffering, physically, emotionally and spiritually, that they might know the presence of the Risen Lord in their lives and be comforted and helped by the community of the Church.

For all those who have died since our last pilgrimage to Lourdes and for all the faithful departed, that they might enjoy the fullness of joy in the Kingdom of God.

Diamond Celebrations For Monsignor John

Monsignor John Heslin, a retired priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham who lives in Saltburn, recently celebrated the 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Monsignor John often supplies in Redcar and by happy coincidence his anniversary corresponded with a weekday visit to the Sacred Heart Church.

Word of his anniversary spread among parishioners in Redcar, Marske and Saltburn, and our photograph shows some of those who made a special effort to share the celebration with him.



Young People Share St Vincent's Vision



Canon David Grant and parishioners and Mini Vinnies from St John of Beverley try on some of the scarves they knitted



Students from the SVP Youth group St Francis Xavier School in Richmond visiting the Mini Vinnies at St Mary's

In the latest of our series focusing on some of the groups that form Caritas Middlesbrough and are engaged in social outreach, we look at how young people are transforming the world by following the example of St Vincent de Paul...

While some SVP conferences find it challenging to recruit new members, young people are responding enthusiastically to the call to put faith into action.

Every Catholic primary school in Hull and district has a Mini Vinnies group and the city's St Mary's College has a flourishing youth SVP.

St Mary's activities have included visits to Holy Name Care Home, singing Christmas carols to children in Hull Royal Infirmary, helping at St Stephen's housebound group and raising funds to feed children at a nursery run by Daughters

of Charity in Ethiopia.

Last year they sent hundreds of knitted scarves to keep refugees in Calais warm and they have now committed to supporting an SVP conference in Kerala, India, by raising £400 to house a poor family.

They recently helped provide a formation day for Mini Vinnies, with Nicky Coyle and the team of chaplains translating their ideas into a programme and resources. Around 50 children from the seven primary schools in St Cuthbert's Catholic Academy Trust and St John of Beverley School gathered at the Marist Church Hall.

The children learned how Blessed Frédéric Ozanam and his friends started the SVP with the guidance of Sister Rosalie Rendu, how we encounter God in service of the poor and that kindness is the key to hearts.

St John of Beverley parish SVP members joined forces with the primary school's Mini Vinnies and their families to knit scarves for those who are homeless and blankets for dementia sufferers.

Deputy head and Mini Vinnies' coordinator Rebecca Monkman said: "We are so proud of the children in our school and how much desire they have to help others.

"This year they have raised funds for CAFOD, held a fair trade stall, made prayer cards for those who are sick, purchased world gifts and organised a collection of goods for the homeless in Hull."

SVP member and school governor Maureen

Mulligan was instrumental in liaising with the Mini Vinnies.

In Richmond, St Francis Xavier SVP Youth and St Mary's Mini Vinnies are also thriving. The SVP group at SFX of about 15 pupils meets weekly. Many members are also members of the school worship band and have planned the end of term Easter Service.

Students also attended Flame at Wembley Arena, shared a weekend chaplaincy retreat together at Osmotherley Youth Hostel and enjoyed outdoor activities as part of a forest church programme, as well as visiting St Mary's Primary School to meet up with the Minnie Vinnies there.

Bishop's Blessing For New Chaplaincy Team

Bishop Terry gave his blessing to what is thought to be the first NHS chaplaincy leadership team of its kind during a visit to James Cook University Hospital in Middlesbrough.

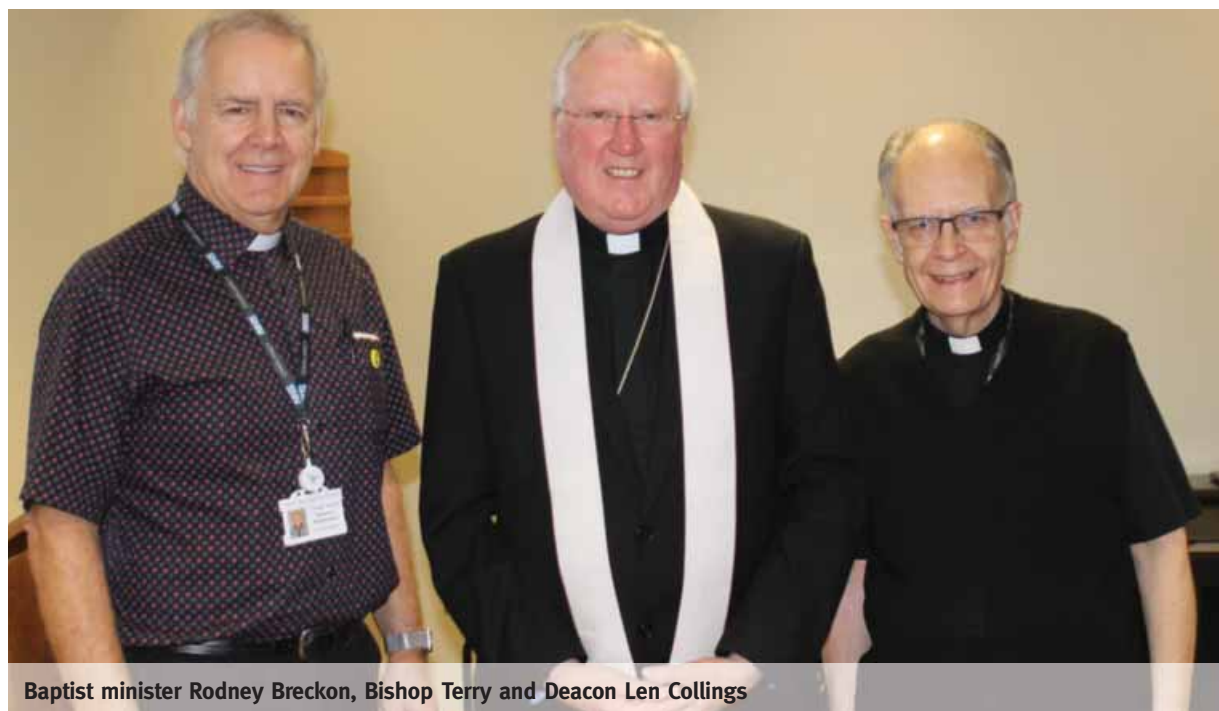
Deacon Len Collings, from Blessed Nicholas Postgate Parish, Redcar, has been appointed as one of two joint lead chaplains for the South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, alongside Baptist minister Rodney Breckon.

Deacon Len has been the Roman Catholic chaplain at James Cook for the last seven years, while Reverend Rodney has been a member of the chaplaincy team at both James Cook and the Friarage Hospital Northallerton for more than 20 years.

As well as these two hospitals, the new team will be responsible for chaplaincy provision at the trust's hospitals in Redcar, Guisborough, Brotton and Richmond.

Deacon Len said he was humbled and honoured to be appointed to such a rewarding role and is excited at the prospect of taking the team forward alongside Reverend Rodney.

During his visit, Bishop Terry enjoyed chatting to patients and staff on several wards, before the short blessing ceremony in the hospital chapel.



Baptist minister Rodney Breckon, Bishop Terry and Deacon Len Collings

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**The Second Glorious Mystery of the Rosary
The Ascension**

When we say this decade, we think about what happened after the Resurrection. In your mind, picture Jesus on the road to Emmaus, talking to two disciples. They didn't recognise him until he broke bread with them and gave them Holy Communion.

Now think of Jesus appearing to the disciples (Thomas was not there). Later, when Thomas arrived, they told him they had seen Jesus, but Thomas didn't believe them. Later, Jesus came to them again, and this time Thomas was with them. He knelt at Jesus' feet and said, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said: "You believe because you can see me, but blessed are they who believe yet have not seen." Jesus told the disciples to go out into the world and tell the good news. They saw him lifted up and a cloud took him from their sight.



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**St Alphonsus' Recognised
As School Of Sanctuary**

Pupils and staff from St Alphonsus' Catholic Primary School enjoyed a very special visit to Middlesbrough Town Hall to be recognised as a School of Sanctuary.

The title confirms the school is committed to offering a safe and welcoming place for all, especially those whose lives are in danger in their own country, have troubles at home or are just looking for a space of safety.

"Receiving the School of Sanctuary Award is a fantastic achievement for the pupils, staff and governors," said headteacher Angela McCann. "We pride ourselves in providing a place where all pupils feel welcomed, valued and, above all, safe."

A School of Sanctuary helps its students, staff and the wider community understand what it means to be seeking sanctuary and to extend a welcome to everyone as equal, valued members of the school community.

Teesside is recognised for its groundbreaking Schools of Sanctuary stream, with many other areas using its assessment framework.

According to their section 48 inspection report last year, "St Alphonsus' Catholic Primary School is a beacon in the community and embraces, nurtures and cares for all pupils of different backgrounds and abilities. It offers high levels of pastoral care to all concerned within the school family."

The school's engagement includes a young interpreters' group, bilingual and multilingual children who represent a number of the different cultures and languages. Through their supportive network, and using their skills and experiences, the children work hard to ensure newly arrived children and their families settle into our school, often acting as interpreters.

"Receiving this award is a great honour, which

recognises the continuous hard work of dedicated staff and pupils who all play a vital part in ensuring new arrivals to our school are happy, settle quickly and are given the tools to help them to access their learning," added Miss McCann.

St Alphonsus' recently joined the newly formed Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust (NPCAT), a family of 25 schools, a sixth form and teaching school. With more than 9,000 students and 1,200 staff, NPCAT is now the North-East's largest Catholic trust and the second largest Catholic multi-academy trust in the UK.

"We are thrilled one of our schools has received this accolade," said NPCAT's primary standards officer, Nicky Jamalizadeh.

"This is an inclusive trust and as such we also acknowledge and celebrate the many different backgrounds and cultures of the pupils in our schools. Displays, focus weeks and regular events enable students to both share their own culture and to also learn about others, including our own Catholic faith, while all the time promoting tolerance."



St Alphonsus' pupils and staff receiving their School of Sanctuary award at Middlesbrough Town Hall

Workshops Promote Teamwork And Confidence



More than 175 pupils from five Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust (NPCAT) schools took part in workshops designed to promote self-confidence, self-esteem, teamwork and respect for others through music, dance and performance.

In addition, 35 children from the local community joined NPCAT pupils, with their places subsidised by an Aviva Community Fund grant.

The workshops were run by the Young Americans International Music Outreach Tour, which began in 1992 and aims to bring music back into schools and discover musical talents.

Children from St Bede's Catholic Primary in Marske-by-the-Sea, St Gabriel's Catholic Primary, Ormesby, St Joseph's Catholic Primary, Loftus, St Paulinus Catholic Primary, Guisborough, and the Sacred Heart Catholic Secondary School, Redcar, attended two three-day programmes at St Gabriel's, St Paulinus and the Sacred Heart.

Pupils aged from six to 17 years attended a two-day workshop with the programmes culminating in a finale presentation to parents and the local community on day three for the children to showcase their newly discovered abilities.

"Thank you for teaching me and inspiring me to be confident in myself," said one St Gabriel's pupil afterwards. "You are so helpful and caring towards me and others."

"Thank you all for being such amazing teachers, performers and friends," said another pupil.

One St Gabriel's mum said her daughter was a little anxious at first but then loved it, adding: "I think she needed it to boost her confidence. Thank you for giving her the opportunity."

And a mum from St Paulinus added: "My girls have had an absolute ball and have made so

many new friends and amazing memories."

Hugh Hegarty, NPCAT's chief executive officer, said: "We were delighted to work again with the Young Americans initiative. The programme is inspiring and something truly valuable.

"Music brings people together and serves so many purposes, including teamwork, respect, accomplishment, caring, self-discipline and a sense of self-worth. The youth programmes have touched lives across the world and been praised by OFSTED."



Hitting the right note at the Young Americans' workshop



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A Letter From Madonna House

Around 8,000 young people from all over England and Wales, including 100 from our diocese, gathered at London's Wembley Arena for the Flame conference.



Flame was inspired by the papal visit in 2010 and aims to reignite and encourage young people to live out their faith. I don't think there was one person who left the arena that day who was not reignited!

This year, the theme was "Significance" and we were steeped with the message that we are beloved, we are worthy and that our life has meaning. Perhaps this can seem cliché but who of us does not need to be reminded of this over and over again? Who does not desire this truth to permeate our being to its very core? Who of us truly lives out of this reality?

The day was interspersed with speakers, moments of praise and worship, rap beats from Guvna B and a dramatic presentation. Speakers included Archbishop Eamon Martin, who spoke about his experience at last year's Synod on Young People, about the need for us to be the ones to reach those on the outside of the Church, offering hope and truth.

There was also a recorded interview with Jean Vanier, founder of the L'Arche community. He was asked how we can become happy and said that often we are unhappy because of the tension we experience between what we dream and the crushing of that dream because of our pursuit of other things, such as popularity and success.

His answer really made me examine my own heart – do I live in pursuit of my deepest desire, which is union with God? Or do I allow myself to be pulled into the pursuit of other things, which leave me feeling dissatisfied and empty?

A favourite of mine was a speaker from Texas, Robert Madu, who had us all laughing to tears. His emphasis was on, "Staying in your own lane and keeping your eyes on Jesus."

He reminded us that God has given us all that we need to accomplish our mission in life and that we begin to fall when we start comparing ourselves to those around us. God created us and knows us, we need to look to him to know where we are going.

As a runner in a race needs to stay in his own lane and keep his focus ahead on the finish, we need to stay in our "own lane" and keep our focus on Jesus.

As we were encouraged again and again to seek our worth in how God sees us and to believe that each of us has a unique and beautiful mission to fulfil, we were led to the source, himself, in Eucharistic Adoration.

This was the highlight for me, being gathered in these moments of silence with the very one who loves us and gives meaning to our lives. In my own life I have experienced the power of being in the Presence of Jesus in Adoration. He truly changes things.

What can I say after this day, except that there is hope in the Church? People often lament, "There are no young people" – well, there are! Pray for and encourage them. It's a challenging world to make your way in, but there is definitely hope.

Joanne Slugocki



The acts who performed at the Conquer The Stage Talent Show in Teesville – Photo by Paul Terry

Talented Pupils Conquer St Andrew's

Students from four Catholic schools performed to a large audience as the "Conquer The Stage" talent show came to St Andrew's Parish Hall, Teesville. The 21 acts from St Margaret Clitherow's, South Bank, St Gabriel's, Ormesby, St Mary's, Grangetown, and St Peter's, South Bank, included dancing, singing and drama.

Highlights included the Queen classic *Bohemian Rhapsody* and The New Seekers' *I'd like to Teach The World to Sing*, before the final act, a moving tribute to the soldiers of World War I. "The Fallen", performed by a year six class, included drama, the Sting song *Fields of Gold* and the reading of a poem.

St Patrick's Celebrations In Thornaby



Grace Love, 12, of St Patrick's College, and Gabriel Wilson Garside, ten, from St Patrick's Primary School, who received sprigs of shamrock on behalf of their schools, pictured with Father Pat O'Neill and Hugh Hegarty – Photo by Stuart Boulton

Pupils were presented with sprigs of shamrock flown over from Ireland during St Patrick's Day celebrations in Thornaby.

Children from all three of the town's Catholic schools – St Patrick's College, St Patrick's Primary School and Christ the King Primary School – gathered for a special Mass at St Patrick's Church on Friday morning.

Parish priest Father Patrick O'Neill, a native of County Tipperary, told the children they were honouring a tradition that stretches back for many generations.

"Your parents, your grandparents and maybe even your great-grandparents went to St Patrick's School and were part of this faith family," he said.

"Be proud of your green blazers and jumpers and let everybody know you're proud because this wonderful tradition is a huge part of Thornaby life."

Shamrock is traditionally worn on St Patrick's Day in honour of the saint, who used its three leaves to explain the doctrine of the Holy Trinity – God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

Derry-born Hugh Hegarty, chief executive of

Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust, said:

"This is a time when we reflect on all those Irish men and women who travelled right across the world, and especially here to Thornaby and all over Teesside, and were made welcome and had a positive impact on establishing strong Catholic communities.

"St Patrick's Day is an opportunity to reflect upon your faith journey, but it's also a time for fun and enjoyment and to celebrate who we

are."

St Patrick's College deputy head Damian McCann, who is from Dublin, added: "As an Irishman, you take the message of St Patrick everywhere you go. It's a story of people who had to leave their own homeland in many cases and took with them the eternal message of Christ with us. That deep faith is central to what St Patrick represents."

- Pupils, parents and staff enjoyed lots of three-sided games and even ate triangular food as the Festival of Triangles came to St Hilda's Primary School in Whitby.
- Their triangle-themed maths week – run by the staff supported by family maths charity Maths on Toast – involved a host of classroom activities and after-school workshop where families could learn together.
- Afterwards they enjoyed Doritos, pizza slices and waffles, cake and melon cut into triangular shapes.
- Our picture shows Anya finding a novel way of using her tetrahedron.



Teesside Hero Honoured By The Church

Eddie White has, for decades, played an integral role in the Catholic life of Middlesbrough – including the Young Christian Workers, the Sacred Heart Youth Club, Irish dances, Eucharistic ministry, parish maintenance and fundraising. Last year he was recognised as a “Teesside Hero” for his positive impact on the town.

On St Patrick’s Day this year he was presented with the papal honour Benemerenti for his services to the Church, during Mass at the Sacred Heart, Middlesbrough, by parish priest Canon Stephen Maughan. He is pictured here with his wife Nora and their family.




This Month’s Cathedral Choral Services

- Sunday May 5 at 10am:** Solemn Mass (Members of Cathedral Choir)
- Wednesday May 8 at 6pm:** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Cantor)
- Sunday May at 12 10am:** Solemn Mass (Cathedral Choir)
- Sunday May 12 at 4.15pm:** Solemn Vespers (Cathedral Consort)
- Wednesday May 15 at 6pm:** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Ladies/low voices Schola)
- Sunday May 19 at 10am:** Solemn Mass (Cathedral Choir)
- Wednesday May 22 at 6pm:** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Ladies Schola)
- Sunday May 26 at 10am:** Solemn Mass (Cathedral Choir)
- Sunday May 26 at 4.15pm:** Solemn Vespers (Cathedral Consort)
- Wednesday May 29 at 6pm:** Sung Benediction with Vespers (Cantor)
- Thursday May 30 at 7pm:** Solemn Mass for Ascension (Cathedral Choir)

For more information about our choral services and music visit us online at <https://sites.google.com/site/middlesbroughcathedralmusic>.



Parishioners from Hornsea, Marton and Beverley say farewell to Father James Benfield, who has moved to St Charles Borromeo in Hull. Members of all three parishes provided a feast and an excellent evening was enjoyed by all. Father James is standing at the back, behind the ladies and children wearing beards in his honour! He will be missed.




2019 DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

PIETRELCINA & ASSISI

EXPERIENCE

Wednesday October 2–Sunday October 6 2019

Bishop Terry will lead a diocesan pilgrimage following in the footsteps of



SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA & SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Some highlights:

PIETRELCINA – the village where Padre Pio was born. The visit will include Saint Pio’s house, the church of Santa Maria degli Angeli, the Church of Sant’ Anna and ancient village

SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO – we will visit the places associated with Saint Pio’s life and activities – Santa Maria delle Grazie, the new church of Padre Pio, the sanctuary where he had a famous appearance and more

ROUTE TO ASSISI – via **LANCIANO** (Miracle of the Eucharist) there will be a guided tour of the Basilica of Santa Maria Degli Angele. We will visit St Francis’ hermitage and on to **SAN DAMIANO** and the Basilica of St Clare

This is a taster of the places we will visit and experiences we will have while on this journey. Mass will be celebrated every day in some of the beautiful basilicas.

To express your interest in joining this pilgrim journey, please email: [Jenny Dowson on jennydowson@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:jennydowson@rcdmidd.org.uk) or write to her at The Curial Office, 50A The Avenue, Middlesbrough, TS5 6QT, giving your contact details. Flights are from and to Leeds-Bradford airport. Cost is £659 per person sharing based on a minimum of 40 people travelling. Single supplement £28 per night, travel insurance required and available for £29pp.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Catholic Healthcare Professionals Meet In Hull

Healthcare professionals, chaplains and students are invited to the annual conference of the Catholic Medical Association at Hull University Catholic Chaplaincy.

The conference is titled "Following Jesus in Healthcare" and speakers include director of the Iona Institute David Quinn on "Bringing faith into public life" and Sister Andrea Fraile with a talk about her order's work entitled

"Helping people in a crisis."

Other speakers include consultant in old age psychiatry Dr Adrian Treloar ("Caring for the sick in Lourdes"), consultant anaesthetist Dr Joseph O'Dwyer ("Living our faith at work"), consultant cardiologist Dr Dermot Kearney ("Keeping a strong faith in a busy career").

Healthcare workers including doctors, nurses, social workers, occupational therapists, physios

and pharmacists, as well as students of all healthcare professions and anyone who has an interest in a Catholic view of healthcare today, are all welcome to attend.

The event takes place from 10am to 6.30pm on Saturday May 4 and costs a minimum donation of £10 for students and chaplains, £20 for CMA members and £30 for non-members. Lunch is provided, with contributions welcome.

The association's AGM, for members of the CMA and Catholic Medical Missionary Society, takes place the following day. To book for the conference and supper (additional cost), email kentcma@gmail.com or call 07831 577 371. For more details visit catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk or facebook.com/pg/cmaenglandandwales.

Katie Brings Her Band To Whitby

Award-winning singer-songwriter Katie Doherty will bring her band The Navigators to St Hilda's Parish Hall, Walker Street, Whitby, for a special concert on Friday May 10 at 7.30pm.

Teesside-born Katie has previously toured with Kathryn Tickell, Kate and Anna McGarrigle and Ray Davies but some of her earliest memories are as part of our Lourdes pilgrimage.

"Growing up on Teesside my musical memories are made up of Vin Garbutt playing at my school and listening to my older brother and sister playing in the Lourdes music group," says Katie. "It was my dream to follow in their footsteps.

"Then the Wildcats of Kilkenny kept me dancing in my teenage years. Fast forward a few years and my husband and I were blessed to be married by Father Pat Keogh at the Lady Chapel in Osmotherley and I am always delighted to be able to return to my homeland to play music.

"I know I can count on the audience to be in good voice."

A limited number of tickets are available priced £7 from the church on 01947 602476.



Katie Doherty and The Navigators

Children Of Abraham Focus For Living Theology Weekend

This year's Jesuit-inspired Living Theology weekend will feature a range of speakers on Christian, Jewish and Muslim subjects.

"Children of Abraham – interfaith topics: Removing our sandals before the sacred ground of the other" is the title of the event, which is jointly sponsored by the Newman Association.

We know people of different faiths need to understand each other better, since our world suffers many problems in the name of "religion". Anti-Semitic rhetoric, pro-Zionist actions, careless use of the term "crusade", Islamist and anti-Muslim terrorism all threaten our peace.

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis says: "Inter-religious dialogue is a necessary condition for peace in the world." He reminds us that, with the Jewish people, "We believe in the one God who acts in history, and we accept his revealed word."

He says followers of Islam, "Profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, who will judge humanity on the last day" and encourages us "to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other."

In the hospitable oasis of the Bar Convent in

York we shall learn more about Islam and Judaism through a rich programme of informative talks, lively discussion, prayer and companionship. All are welcome to attend.

There are courses from expert on Islam and Christian-Muslim relations Father Damian Howard SJ and student rabbi Gabriel Webber, who will share knowledge of Judaism.

Dr Geoffrey Turner will speak on the Psalms, prayers for both church and synagogue, and Frances Smith will give a talk on Islamic architecture in Spain. There is also a course on Blessed John Henry Newman from Dr George Herring, focusing on his conversion to Catholicism.

The weekend is on Saturday July 13 and Sunday July 14 and the cost, including lunches and refreshments, is £70 (students £35). Attendance for one day is half the price.

Booking is essential. For full details please visit jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2019, email tpj.egerton@virgin.net or call 01642 645732.

Accommodation may be available in the Bar Convent Guest House but must be booked separately. If you are staying for the weekend, book as soon as possible on 01904 643238, quoting "Living Theology weekend".

Patricia Egerton

Storey Lecture Centres On Search For Peace

This year's Anthony Storey Memorial Lecture is on the subject of "Future wars and how we prevent them."

The speaker is Professor Paul Rogers, emeritus professor of Peace Studies at the University of Bradford, whose latest book is *Irregular War: ISIS and the New Threat from the Margins*.

He has worked in the field of international security, arms control and political violence for more than 30 years.

Paul knew Father Storey when he was involved with the Union of Catholic Students in the mid-1960s.

The lecture takes place at 11am on Saturday May 11 in the University of Hull's Canham Turner Building. Tea and Coffee will be

available from 10.30am. All are very welcome.

• Readers are also reminded that copies of a new biography of *Father Tony – A Priest for His Time: A.J. Storey 1919-2007*, by the historian Peter Roebuck, will be available for the first time at the lecture.

The book traces the origins and nature of the many strands of Father Tony's complex personality, attitudes and outlook, identifies significant junctures in his life and charts the process whereby key influences coalesced to inform and enrich a remarkable ministry and profound personal wisdom.

You can email the author at peter.roebuck3@gmail.com to reserve a copy.

Pray For Seafarers At Lindisfarne Pilgrimage

The Apostleship of the Sea (Stella Maris) invites you to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne for a peaceful day of prayer and reflection on Saturday June 8. Parish groups, families and individuals all welcome to join them and pray for seafarers and for everyone involved in our ministry and charity. The retreat will be led by Bishop Paul Mason, AoS bishop promoter for England and Wales. For further information, please contact regional port chaplains Paul Atkinson on 07906 212 426 or Peter Barrigan on 07713 924 504.

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Lenten Soup Lunches Transform Lives

Catholics from our diocese hosted Family Fast Days every Friday during Lent by eating a simple soup lunch and donating the money saved to help communities living in poverty around the world.

Parishioners from Christ the King parish in Thornaby took turns making three large pans of soup each week for the local community to enjoy and inviting them to make a small donation to Catholic development charity CAFOD. The final total is yet to be totted up but they collected £100 one week alone.

Parishioner Doreen Middleton said: "Christ The King has a really lovely community spirit and everyone pulls together to help one another."

"We take it in turns to make the soup and if one person is poorly or can't make it for some reason, people are happy to chip in and do another week. CAFOD is a good cause and it's great that we can help. Sometimes pupils from local schools and colleges are able to attend, which is really nice."

Parishioners from St Gabriel's, Ormesby, and St Clare's in Brookfield also held weekly soup lunches.

Funds raised will help CAFOD reach more people around the world facing the devastating effects of climate change, teaching people new farming skills and providing hardy seeds that will grow despite droughts.

You Could Become A CAFOD Climate Champion

We're looking for young adult Catholics aged from 18 to 35 who have an interest in sustainability or campaigning with CAFOD and are enthusiastic to learn more.

We also want to recruit people with a mix of skills, experience and backgrounds to take part. You don't have to be an expert!

Climate change, living more sustainably and caring for creation are crucial parts of our faith. This volunteer opportunity will help you gain new experience, meet others interested in tackling climate change and play your part in creating a better world.

Last year our climate champions visited a sustainability camp and participated in an exchange with campaigners in Poland, wrote blogs, met their MPs, planned campaigning events in schools and parishes, learned about campaigning and contributed input to future climate change

campaigns.

We now need climate champions for 2019, who will become leaders in our new campaign, including taking part in workshops and a residential on sustainability and campaigning with other Catholic young adults.

Based on your own strengths and skills, we will support you in raising awareness in your parish or community, as well as talking to your MP and participating in our climate campaign. To find out more or apply to become a climate champion, call 0303 303 3030 and ask for Sarah Croft in the campaigns team or email scroft@cafod.org.uk.

Carol Cross, Community Participation Coordinator



A group called the Pacific Climate Warriors visited CAFOD HQ at Romero House, London, to share their perspectives of climate change in their region. The warriors represent grassroots, frontline and indigenous communities and work together on environmental justice issues. Our picture shows warriors Aumatagi Joseph Moeono-Kolio, Brianna Fruean and Sione Mauhelotu – Photo by Ben Rogers/Potential Productions

STOP PRESS:

We're offering subsidised places of £10 per seat for the first 20 students from our Catholic secondary schools who wish to join the lobby of parliament.

"Young people demand change," says Pope Francis. "They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded." Email youth@cafod.org.uk for more details.

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New Campaign Focus Is Our Common Home

Climate change is the single biggest threat to reducing poverty, whether it's flooding destroying homes or unpredictable seasons leading to failed harvests.

It's undoing years of our work together to improve people's lives and affects our health, our homes, our heritage and our beautiful landscapes. It ruins the work we do to fight poverty and to lead better lives. We have made huge progress on climate change, but the situation is urgent now.

We need to work together to end climate change. Together, we as Catholics can turn the tide. We can treat our home with respect by leading the way, taking responsibility, forging new habits and calling on politicians to go further and faster with emissions cuts.

To avoid the worst effects of climate change, we must limit global temperature rise to 1.5°C. Going above 1.5°C warming could multiply hunger, migration and conflict.

To do this, we need the UK to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to "net zero" by 2045, meaning Britain no longer contributes to climate change. If things remain as they are, projections predict temperature rises of 3.6°C – so we have to act now!

It's time to tell our leaders that enough is enough. This is not the legacy we want to leave for our grandchildren or the future we want.

While many countries, the UK included, have made huge steps and recycling, choosing public transport and reducing our meat intake

all help, we need more ambitious political action if we are to ensure global temperatures are limited to 1.5°C.

Inspired by Pope Francis' call to renew the earth, moved by steps the Catholic community have already made and fed up with inaction by distracted leaders, our new campaign, "Our Common Home" aims to stop the UK contributing to climate change for good.

We'll do this by petitioning the prime minister to ensure the UK commits to net-zero emissions by 2045 and continues to lead the way on climate action.

But we need your help. People hear about our campaigns through you. Share our news, events and petitions with your friends, family and parishes. Here's what you can do:

- Come along to the Creation Mass in St Mary's Cathedral at 10am on Sunday May 19
- Organise a Creation Celebration in your parish – we have resources to help you do this
- Join our mass lobby of Parliament on Wednesday June 26 – a coach is being organised from our diocese. To book a seat, priced £20, visit cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby
- Sign our petition online at cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby
- Organise a climate quiz – we have resources you can download
- Pray – on your own, or in a group, in your parish. Prayer underpins all our work.

NEWS

Playful Hippos Delay Journey Home

Francis Hannaway, from St Gabriel's Parish, Middlesbrough, lives and works in Basankusu Diocese, in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Today, two hippos bid farewell to Father John.

Father John Kirwan was granted a month's visit back to Basankusu ahead of his retirement.

"I've lived and worked here for many years and with these few weeks I can make my farewells to people I've got to know," he said.

Our malnutrition centre had just stocked up on milk powder, beans and so on, and all the volunteers had attended our latest training sessions. Numbers were thankfully down during April.

"Perhaps I could take a holiday," I thought. "I could travel back to England with Father John before the malnutrition centre fills up again in June, July and August."

Our team of visiting eye-doctors was due to arrive soon from Belgium. Their 16-seater plane would be travelling back to Kinshasa empty, so it would be great to take advantage of it.

Father John spent his last few weeks visiting the villages where he'd worked. With plenty of goodbye meals at various places, his celebrations culminated the Sunday before his departure with a Mass in Basankusu's cathedral, followed by an evening at the bishop's house.

The eye doctors said hello as we passed at the airstrip.

"They're expecting us to treat more than 3,000 patients in two weeks this year," explained Yann, the doctors' organiser.

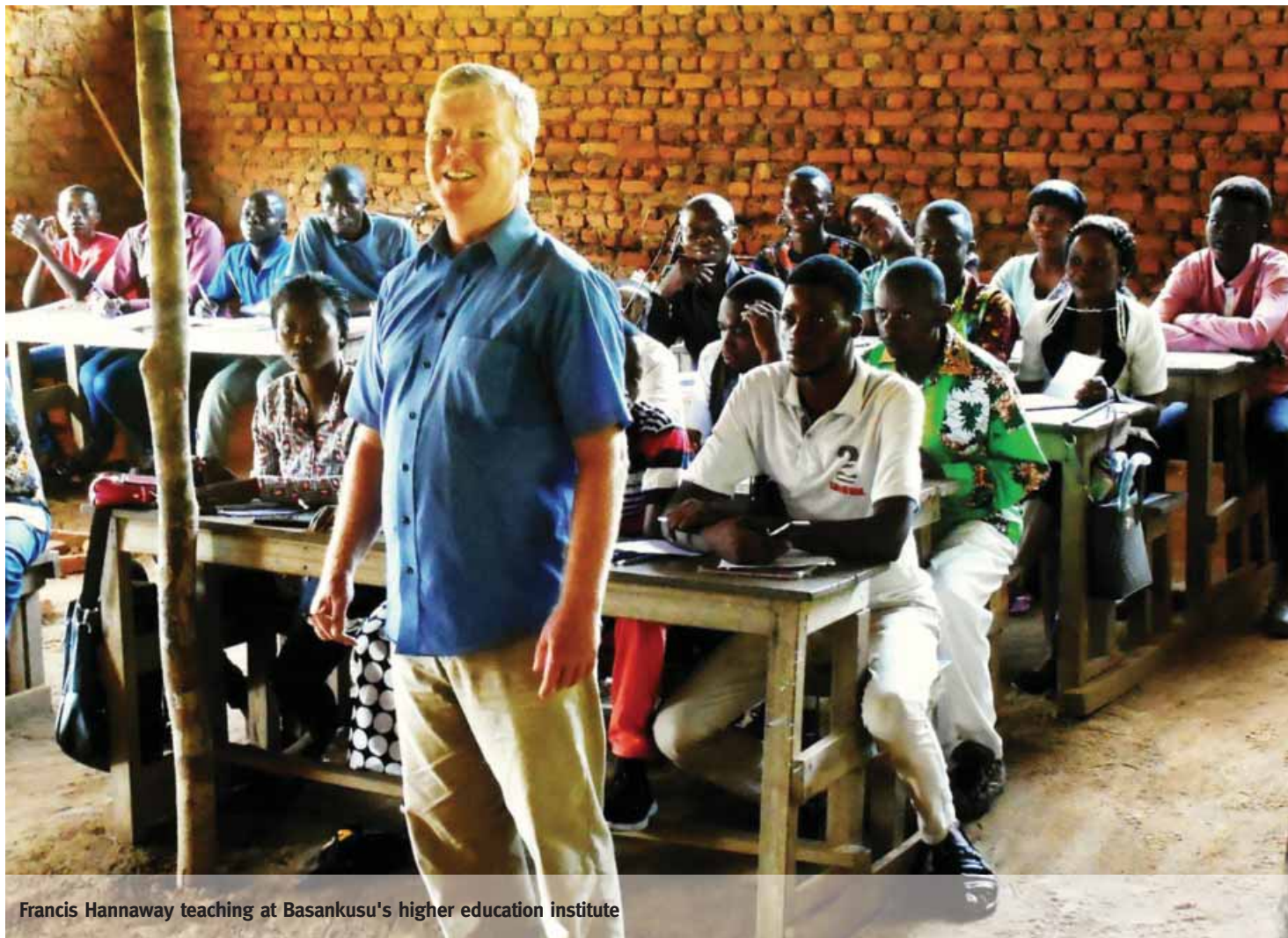
"I'm sure you'll do your best!" I replied.

And with that, Father John and I climbed the steps of the plane and we were on our way to Kinshasa.

We took three hours to pass over the hundreds of miles of tropical forest, eventually landing on the decaying surface of Kinshasa's city airport at Ndolo.

From there we passed the marine engineers, Chanimetal, on the River Congo and ran into a huge traffic jam. The traffic was at a complete standstill.

"What do you think the problem could be?" I asked Father John.



Francis Hannaway teaching at Basankusu's higher education institute

I could see that he'd already spotted the problem, as people were already getting out of their cars and holding up their phones to photograph something.

The marine engineers' compound has a large area of land leading to the river's edge.

"Look down there," said Father John. "Something's splashing around!"

And there they were – two hippos, running up onto the riverbank and then racing back into

the water.

They disappeared underwater and then suddenly reappeared, snorting and splashing about and generally having a good time.

It's an unusual sight in Kinshasa. The passing motorists had certainly never seen such a thing before and neither had we!

"Perhaps they'd heard that you're leaving and they've come to say goodbye," I said.

• Follow Francis Hannaway on Facebook. Email:

francish7@yahoo.com. Donate via PayPal (type PayPal.me/FHannaway into your browser), or internet banking: Pay: St Joseph's Society for FM, Ref: F Hannaway Congo, sort code: 16-00-15, account: 23114537. Cheques to: Mill Hill Missionaries, St Joseph's Parish Centre, PO Box 3608, Maidenhead SL6 7UX. Pay: "Mill Hill Missionaries" (enclose a note to say it's for F Hannaway and request a gift aid form).

Environment Corner Helping You Buy Ethically

We've heard a lot in the press recently concerning the environmental cost of many of the clothes and articles we buy and of the fashion industry more generally.

Many of us will already be sourcing Fairtrade goods from local outlets, but this month we would also like to highlight the Ethical Superstore, whose vision is to give us the choice to use ethical products that suit our lifestyles.

"Here at Ethical Superstore we've made it our mission to enable you to make feel-good choices when it comes to your shopping," they say.

"To help you make the choices you feel are right, we bring together products sourced from all over the world that hold the ethical credentials we know are important to our customers.

"Whether you're new to the idea of ethically-conscious buying or you're very passionate about a whole range of ethical issues that affect what you buy, those values are personal to you and we are here to make it easier for you to live by those ideals.

"We strive to protect our planet and make efforts to find eco-friendly alternatives to everyday items such as fashion, food, cosmetics and cleaners that do as little harm to the environment as possible – we want to give you the choice to use environmentally friendly products that suit your lifestyle.

"We do what we do to inspire you to live life to the full, promoting a healthy lifestyle, encouraging our customers to enjoy the beautiful world around us and letting you rest easy, knowing you've made the most positive choices for people and planet."

They also publish regular newsletters and catalogues that make interesting and informative reading.

For more information visit ethicalsuperstore.com.

Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission



Andrew Major, a parishioner of Our Lady and St Peter in Bridlington, is pictured presenting a cheque to Yorkshire Air Ambulance from money raised at coffee mornings after Sunday Masses. Andrew also contributes by saving his small change. The photo shows Canon John Loughlin, Andrew and Val Fielding with Yorkshire Air Ambulance representatives.

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LOURDES

Countdown Begins For Lourdes 66!

Preparations for this year's Lourdes Pilgrimage are well underway with just weeks to go before we set off once again.

Our youth came together for an amazing training day in York and the following week 194 Hospitalité members attended our formation day. It was great to meet up with old friends and new handmaids, brancs and a nurse from Hull, who will all be joining us on pilgrimage for the first time this year.

Teams have been organised, rotas worked out and new equipment bought, as well as kitchen staples and other goodies. Our young people made welcome bags for our supported pilgrims' arrival and our secondary schools are preparing artwork to brighten the Accueil.

A number of our primary school Mini Vinnies groups are busy making welcome and prayer cards, bookmarks and even placemats for the dining room. The support we get from our schools really is fantastic and is very much appreciated by everyone.

A huge thank you to all of those who have been busy with their knitting needles. Once again, we will be taking beautiful blankets to brighten the rooms and keep our supported pilgrims warm when they go out in their

wheelchairs. It's especially heartwarming that we often see our supported pilgrims with the blankets in their hands, just holding them – they really are loved!

If you could help with our cake appeal I would be very grateful. It's always nice to be able to share a cup of tea and a piece of cake together. The Accueil is our supported pilgrims' home during our week in Lourdes and is a place of welcome – and what better way to enjoy their visit than with some homemade treats!

If you are able to help, you can bring your cakes along to our pre-pilgrimage Masses at the Sacred Heart Church in Hull at 2pm on Sunday May 12 or St Gabriel's Church in Middlesbrough at 4pm on Sunday May 19. Alternatively, give me a call on 01642 324043.

Our week is the success it is because of the enormous help and support we get both while we are in Lourdes and here at home, so thank you. If you're not able to travel with us to Lourdes, please keep us in your prayers, as you will be in ours.

God bless.

Chris Tillotson, Head Handmaid

Security In Lourdes

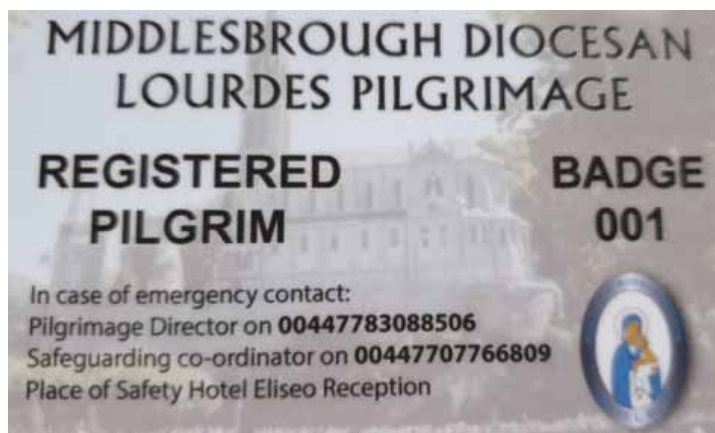
May has arrived and as all look forward to our pilgrimage at the end of this month, security is once again an important part of our plans.

All pilgrims – including supported pilgrims and members of our Hospitalité teams – will be issued with ID badges, which should be worn at all times while in the domain.

ID cards will be issued at Durham Tees Valley airport to all our pilgrims, including supported pilgrims who are joining us on the main flights. All other pilgrims who are travelling independently are asked to register and collect their ID badges from permanence number 10 in Lourdes.

All ID badges are to be returned to pilgrimage officials at Durham Tees Valley on your return, or to permanence number 10 on Thursday afternoon after the closing Mass. Thank you for your help and cooperation in this matter.

Keith Tillotson, Pilgrimage Director



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Help Make Our Race Night Another Success

Following the success of last year's event, the Hospitalité Council have arranged another race night for us to get together with our supported pilgrims and friends of our Lourdes family.

If you are unable to join us on the night you can still share in our evening by generously sponsoring a race or a horse. The venue is St Francis Social club, Acklam Road, Middlesbrough, on Saturday May 11, with the first race starting promptly at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5, which includes a pie and pea supper. There will also be a raffle.

There will be eight races in total, with eight horses in each race, and we're looking for race sponsors at £20 and horse sponsors at £2.50 each. Each winning owner receives a prize. For tickets, or to sponsor a race or horse or donate a prize, please email john.brown160@ntlworld.com or call 07871 958412.



CATHOLIC HISTORY

Varied Programme For Catholic History Day

This year's York Catholic History Day will take place at the Bar Convent on Saturday June 1.

Registration is from 10am and the programme begins at 10.30am with a paper by Dr Wilfred Hammond, who has researched the political engagement of the Lancashire gentry in the reign of Elizabeth I.

His lecture, entitled "Rethinking the Rebellion of the Northern Earls, 1569", provides the opportunity to reconsider the rebellion 450

years ago, in which many northern Catholics were involved.

Dr Emilie Murphy, lecturer in Early Modern History at the University of York, will give the second paper, on Catholic music and memory in post-Reformation England.

After lunch, Dr Peter Doyle, whose history of Upholland College was published last year, will give a paper on "Keeping the world at bay – Seminary training in England and Wales, 1850-

1950".

The brief final session of the day is an opportunity for participants to comment, make suggestions for the future, advertise recent and forthcoming publications and future events of interest, as well as asking for help and information with current research. The day will end with Mass in the Bar Convent chapel.

The cost is £18, students £9, which includes tea and coffee, but not lunch, which is

available at the Bar Convent café and can be booked on the day. Please telephone 01904 764910 to reserve a table in advance.

There is no need to book for the day, although the organisers would be pleased to hear if you intend to come, to help with planning. If you are not already on the mailing list, please contact Judith Smeaton for more information, or to say you plan to attend, by emailing judith.smeaton@btinternet.com or calling 01904 704525.

Changing Chapels – A Lasting Legacy Of Faith

A recent press article on the restoration of a weekend ferry service across the River Ouse between Beningbrough and Nun Monkton reminded me of the history of the chapels that served Catholics in the area during the last four centuries.



George Wright, one of the last ferrymen before the crossing closed in 1952, pictured taking the postman across the river – Photo courtesy of nunmonktonferryboat.org

That history begins with a chapel in the manor house of the Appleby family at Linton-on-Ouse, the Applebys being listed as "recusants" (refusing to conform to the Church of England) from at least the 1630s and providing from their ranks Mother Mary Appleby, one of the earliest superiors of the Bar Convent in York.

The family ceased to be Lords of the Manor at Linton in 1706, but the Will of Hugh Appleby, made in 1701, left £1,500 for the maintenance of a priest there and further sums were added, including £200 bequeathed by Rev John Johnson in 1739.

Nine families attended fortnightly or three-weekly Masses in 1743, the priest usually travelling out from the chapel at Little Blake Street in York (today's St Wilfrid's). In 1791, when Catholic chapels could be legally registered, Rev William Croskell described that at Linton as "a certain part of my dwelling house."

Croskell, we know, was as often resident in York as in Linton because he had responsibility for the finances of the secular clergy in Yorkshire at the time, but clearly

there was a building at Linton. In fact, we know that the lease on a dwelling house expired in 1856, after which date the chaplain of the Bar Convent travelled out occasionally to celebrate Mass in a private house.

However, no site for a new chapel could be found in Linton. Instead, in 1862, land was purchased at Nun Monkton, on the opposite side of the Ouse but linked by ferry. Anciently, Nun Monkton had been the site of a hermit's cell and then of a priory of Benedictine Nuns, whose chapel remains as St Mary's Anglican Church (hence the name "Nun Monkton").

Two grainy photographs of the chapel built in 1862 or thereabouts and dedicated to St Joseph survive in the archives of Ushaw College. From the outside it appears very much like a house but the interior photograph shows a narrow chapel with pews, a tar rails, a reredos behind the altar and a circular window above containing coloured or stained glass.

It survived until 1951 and its demise may have followed the establishment of an RAF chaplaincy at Linton during the Second World War and maintained thereafter. When it closed

it was sold to Mr R Wray, great-grandson of the man who originally sold the land, and was converted into a house. The baptism register for Nun Monkton begins as the Linton register in 1851 and contains baptisms up to 1956.

Those registered after 1951 took place at Green Hammerton, further out from York on the Harrogate road and not far from Allerton Park, once home to the Catholic Stourton family, which had its own priest and registers into the mid-20th century. Mass was celebrated in the Village Reading Room at Green Hammerton from the closure of Nun Monkton and the dedication to St Joseph, plus the parish funds and endowments, were transferred there.

A letter from 1960 indicates that 110 parishioners lived in the parish, scattered through 11 villages, and that £325 was to be spent on purchasing a disused Congregational church. That building today is St Joseph's, Green Hammerton, a chapel-of-ease to Our Lady's, York, and the heir of a long tradition of faith in this small area close to the confluence of the Ouse and the Nidd.

Father Dominique Minskip

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Catholic Records Conference Comes To The Bar Convent

The 62nd annual Catholic Record Society Conference takes place at the Bar Convent in York from Monday July 8 to Wednesday July 10. The programme includes well-established names and up-and-coming scholars.

Dr Katie McKeogh, from the University of Oxford, will speak on Catholicism and antiquarianism, 1560-1660" and Professor Bill Sheils, from the University of York, will give a talk on "Monastic sites and Catholic houses c1540-1700", focusing on Coxwold, North Yorkshire.

Other confirmed subjects include "Popery" in British history" and Mother Magdalen Taylor (1932-1900). The cost is £89 per person. For more details visit catholicrecordsociety.co.uk.

From the Archives



50 Years Ago

(From the Last Will & Testament of a Middlesbrough priest)

I bequeath my chalice, paten and vestments to whichever Nephew of mine has been ordained for the longest period at the date of my death and if none of my Nephews has been ordained at that date I bequeath my said chalice paten and vestments to the said Middlesbrough Diocese.

100 Years Ago

(From The Hull Catholic Magazine)

We regret to announce the death which took place at Fort William, Ontario, Canada, of Private Michael Walsh, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Walsh, 116 Lambert Street. Private Walsh was educated at Pryme Street School and afterwards at Mount St Mary's College, Chesterfield. He went to Canada in 1912 and later to America. After the outbreak of hostilities he being so desirous of serving his King and Country, returned to Fort Francis, Ontario, where he joined up, coming to England in 1916 and afterwards going to France. He was wounded in the battle of the Somme, and on April 9th 1917 at Vimy Ridge received serious wounds from the effects of which he never recovered. He returned to Canada for discharge in May last but developed pneumonia and died earlier this year.

David Smallwood

Ebor Lecture Series Underway

The thirteenth series of Ebor Lectures has got underway at York St John University with the theme of "Science: Wonder, Gift and Challenge".

The lectures promote a conversation between theology and public issues and contribute to the creation of personal and collective decision-making in economic, political and social spheres.

Lecturers come from a wide array of fields and will explore the extraordinary possibilities offered by science to examine the beauty, fragility and complexity of the world and consider what it means to be human in a rapidly changing technological society.

The first lecture, by the former registrar and secretary at Gresham College, London, Dr Valerie Shrimplin, discussed how the beginning and end of the universe have been portrayed visually.

She considered examples of art from ancient times through to Michelangelo's depiction of the Creation and Last Judgment in the Sistine Chapel and up to the present day.

Before the lecture, the two winners of the Ebor Lectures Essay Competition were presented with their prizes by the chair of the lectures committee, Canon Dr Christopher Collingwood.

The prize is given to students who submit essays on any aspect of "Theology and Public Life".

Isobel Hedley-Jones, from York, was one of the winners for her essay on environmental issues and climate change.

Forthcoming lecturers in the series include two prominent Catholic scientists, Dame Ottoline Leyser, of the University of Cambridge, on Wednesday July 3, and Brother Guy Consolmagno, director of the Vatican Observatory, who will give both a lecture and presentation for families on Wednesday

August 21.

The next lecture is on Wednesday June 5 when physicist, natural philosopher and Anglican lay reader Professor Tom McLeish speaks on "Science as Gift not Threat: An Essential Culture-Change for the Church".

The Ebor Lectures is an ecumenical project jointly organised by York Minster, York St John University, the Order of Carmelites – British Province, the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church and the C & JB Morrell Trust.

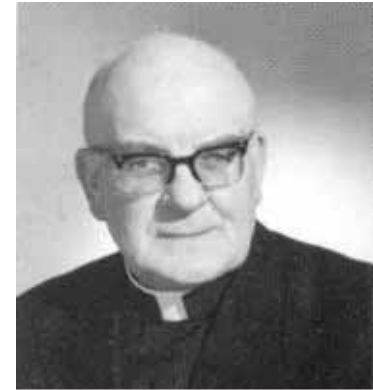


Isobel Hedley-Jones, from York, receiving a prize for her essay on environmental issues and climate change

This Month's Clergy Anniversaries

Please pray for the following priests of our diocese whose anniversaries are during the month of May...

1	1994	Rev John Eaves-Tinsley	Middlesbrough
1	2007	Rev Anthony JF Storey	Hull
2	1889	Rev John Leadbetter	Hedon
2	1911	Very Rev Canon Thomas Holland	Yarm
2	1986	Rev Francis Hyland	Everingham
3	1912	Rev William McNaughton	Beverley
5	1892	Very Rev Canon John Doud	South Bank
6	1917	Very Rev Canon Charles Wood	Hull
6	1978	Rt Rev Mgr Provost Michael O'Sullivan	Redcar
10	1943	Rt Rev Mgr Canon Jules Claus	Middlesbrough
12	1992	Rev Joseph McDonagh	Middlesbrough
14	1963	Rev Michael Nerney	Dormanstown
14	1970	Rt Rev Mgr William Brunner	Hull
15	1970	Rev Basil McCretton	Scorton
15	1972	Rev Joseph Beasty	Dormanstown
17	1979	Rev Patrick Breen	Ulshaw Bridge
19	1978	Rev Martin Vasey	Marske
19	1998	Rev Alfred Dodds MHM	Freshfields
20	1982	Rev Patrick O'Rourke	Sleights
22	1940	Rev Louis Tils	Northallerton
22	1994	Rev Michael Lynam	Middlesbrough
23	1955	Very Rev Canon John Chadwick	Saltburn
25	1882	Rev Robert Gibson	Ulshaw Bridge
27	1886	Rev Thomas Danson	Howden



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1-10 Attends Bishops' In Service/Plenary - Valladolid

11 Celebrates the Ordination to Priesthood of Francis Sutcliffe (Beverley) 11.00am Celebrates Mass and Confirmations - Ampleforth 5.00pm

12 Celebrates Mass and Confirmations - Ampleforth 10.00am

14 Attends meeting of Diocesan Trustee Board at the University Chaplaincy, Hull 10.30am Celebrates Mass and Confirmations in Southern Deanery, at St John of Beverley 7.00pm

15 Attends meeting of Bishop's Council at Bishop's House, Middlesbrough 11.00am Celebrates Mass and Confirmations in the Northern Deanery at St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough 7.00pm

16 Attends Department for Social Justice Meeting in London 10.30am

19 - 23 Visitation to Royal English College, Valladolid

24 - 31 Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

1 Wed
12 noon Midday prayer/rosary. Prayer intention for May 'for the health of all children and their mothers.' Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley Village DL6 3BB followed by refreshments
6.30pm The Secular Franciscan Order meets at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, tel (01904) 470041 for further details.
7.30pm for 7.45pm Cleveland Newman Circle: 'Newman's theory of doctrinal development and his influence on Vatican II', St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough by Fr Andrew Downie, University Chaplain at Durham University

3 Fri
Events and articles for inclusion in the June Voice must be received by today.

4 Sat
11.30am Centering (Contemplative) Prayer Group, St Gabriel's Church, Ormesby, Middlesbrough. Contact Canon Lumley jl@rcdmidd.org.uk

5 Sun
10am Solemn Mass, St Mary's Cathedral (members of the Cathedral Choir)
11am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Grace, 18 North End, Osmotherley Village DL6 3BB
12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

7 Tues
7pm Knights of St Columba, Council 29, meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough commencing with Mass in the Cathedral chapel.

8 Wed
10.30am The Life Ascending Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hessle meets after morning Mass

10.30am The Life Ascending Group at St Leonard & St Mary, Malton meets
12 noon Midday prayer/rosary. Prayer intention for May 'for the health of all children and their mothers.' Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley Village DL6 3BB followed by refreshments

2-3.30pm Music for the Mind, St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough TS8 0TW. All welcome, especially those with dementia, their friends and carers.

2.30pm Prayer Group, John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New members welcome.

6pm Sung Benediction with Vespers (Cantor), St Mary's Cathedral

7.30pm Hull Circle of the Catenian Association meet at Lazaat Hotel, Woodhill Way, Cottingham, HU16 5SX.. Contact Bernard Swift (01482) 348272 for further details.

10 Fri
7pm-8.30pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets in St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact John (01759) 380415 for details.

7.30pm Marian Evening at the John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough - Rosary, Holy Mass, talk, witness. Contact Marie Bedingfield, tel (01642) 530739 for details

12 Sun
10am Solemn Mass (Cathedral Choir), St Mary's Cathedral

12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

3pm Diocese of Middlesbrough LGBT+ outreach and service; Mass giving an explicit welcome to LGBT+ Catholics, their families and friends, in the chapel of The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. All are welcome.

4.15pm Solemn Vespers (Cathedral Consort), St Mary's Cathedral

5pm Latin Mass, St Mary & Joseph, Baxtergate, Hedon HU12 8JN

5pm Mass in the Malayalam language, St Thomas More Church, Beechwood, TS4 3EE, tel (01642) 818203 for details.

6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

13 Mon
10.15am-11am Christian Meditation Weekly Group (10am for new meditators), St John of Beverley, Church. Contact: christian.meditation.beverley@gmail.com

7.30pm Justice & Peace meet at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Nan Saeki, tel 01904 783621 for more details

14 Tues
12.30pm for 12.45pm Hull & District's Catholic Women's Luncheon Club AGM, Kingston Theatre Hotel, 1-2 Kingston Square, Hull HU2 8DA

2-4pm Open Mass followed by a cup of tea and short reflection offered by Canon Michael Bayldon, Madonna House, Thorpe Lane, Robin Hood's Bay, YO22 4TQ

2pm-4pm The Life Ascending Group, York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr Kelly room.

7.30pm The Knights of St Columba, Council 95, meet at Council Chambers, English Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York

15 Wed
12 noon Midday prayer/rosary. Prayer intention for May 'for the health of all children and their mothers.' Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley Village DL6 3BB followed by refreshments

6pm Sung Benediction with Vespers (Ladies/Low voices Schola), St Mary's Cathedral

8pm The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet at St Joseph's Church, West Hull

18 Sat
11.30am Centering (Contemplative) Prayer Group, St Gabriel's Church, Ormesby, Middlesbrough. Contact Canon Lumley jl@rcdmidd.org.uk

7.30pm Sacred Heart Parish Dance, (Dermot Hegarty); Erimus Club, Cumberland Road, Middlesbrough TS5 6JB. Contact Eddie on 01642 860227

19 Sun
10am Solemn Mass at St Mary's Cathedral (Cathedral Choir)

12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

2.30pm May procession at St Vincent de Paul, Hull celebrating 100 years of parish May processions. Contact Catherine Holtby on 07817834362 or catherineholtby@yahoo.co.uk

3pm Middlesbrough Catholic Fellowship Mass at St Joseph's, Marton Road, Middlesbrough TS4 2BB

6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

Advance Notices

1 June York Catholic History Day, Bar Convent, 10am registration. Contact judith.smeaton@btinternet.com or 01904 704525.

3 June, 7.30pm (refreshments from 7pm), York Newman Circle, Blossom Street, York A.G.M. followed by lecture by Dr Rik Van Nieuwenhove, University of Durham 'Saved by the Cross' - what can that possibly mean? A Thomist Answer

22 June Union of Catholic Mothers' AGM, St Peter's Scarborough

8-10 July Catholicism, Literature and the Arts II: Legacies and Revivals, hosted by Ushaw College and St Chad's College, Durham. Contact theresa.phillips@durham.ac.uk or 0191 33 43952 for details

13 and 14 July: Joint Newman/Living Theology Conference at the Bar Convent 'Children of Abraham: interfaith topics'. See www.jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2019 for details and booking form.

NEWS

Prayers For Notre-Dame



News of the devastating fire at the Cathedral of Notre-Dame in Paris came just as we and other cathedrals throughout the world were preparing to celebrate our Chrism Mass.

In a meditation written in 2008, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote of Notre-Dame, "rising in the heart of the city as a living sign of God's presence in our midst. It is hard not to give thanks to the Creator of both matter and spirit for the beauty of this edifice.

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We join Catholics everywhere in praying for those who worship in and love this historic and holy church.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us

Young People's Synod Document Available Now

Pope Francis' post-synodal apostolic exhortation *Christus Vivit* – Christ is Alive! is now available to order from the Catholic Truth Society (CTS).

The document is the fruit of six months of prayer and reflection on the conclusions of last autumn's Synod on Young People.

The Holy Father has produced a direct and heartfelt appeal, addressing himself both to young people and to the entire church, placing before us the figure of Christ, "the true youthfulness of a world grown old."

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A spokesman said: "*Christus Vivit* is a watershed moment in the Church's ministry to young people.

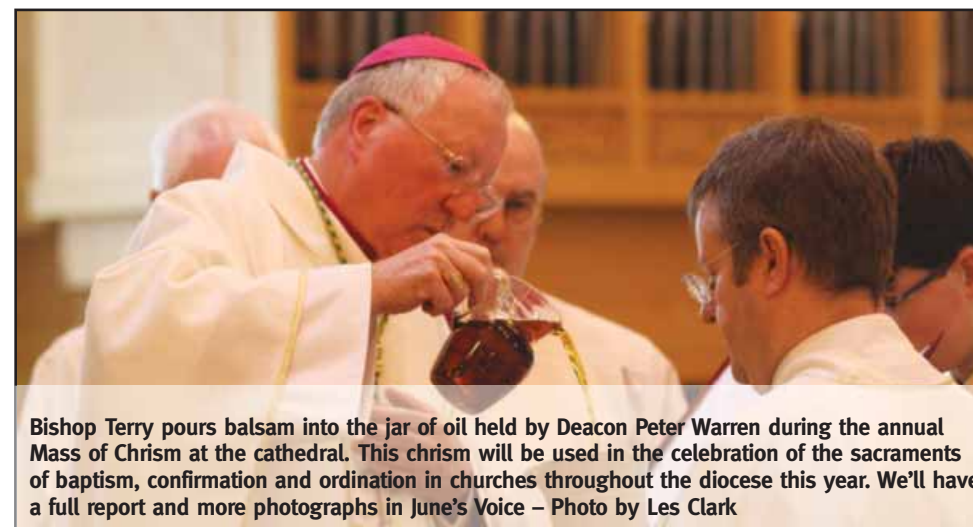
"It will become a handbook for all priests,

catechists and teachers who are charged with the vital mission of evangelising and handing on the faith to young people.

"With this direct, down-to-earth exhortation, the Holy Father is calling the entire church to re-evaluate our approach to accompanying the journeys of young Christians, seeing them not simply as 'the future' but as the 'Now of God' – brothers and sisters who face unique and unprecedented challenges in living their faith in an ever more secular world.

"The CTS, is, as always, honoured to be able to provide this service to the Holy Father and the Church in the UK and Ireland."

Christus Vivit – Christ Is Alive! By Pope Francis can be ordered from ctsbooks.org/christus-vivit priced £5.95.



Bishop Terry pours balsam into the jar of oil held by Deacon Peter Warren during the annual Mass of Chrism at the cathedral. This chrism will be used in the celebration of the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and ordination in churches throughout the diocese this year. We'll have a full report and more photographs in June's Voice – Photo by Les Clark

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12.45pm-3pm Life Ascending Group, York Central meets at St Wilfrid's, York in the Upper Room after 12.10pm Mass
6pm Sung Benediction with Vespers (Cantor), St Mary's Cathedral

30 Thur
7pm Solemn Mass for Ascension at St Mary's Cathedral (Cathedral Choir)
7.30pm-9pm The Pastoral Support Group for carers especially of people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact Margaret (01642) 865668 for venue and other details

31 Fri
12 noon Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (rosary only) at the Lady Chapel, Osmotherley
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Middlesbrough's only dedicated baby hospice has made a desperate appeal for support to prevent it from having to close its doors for two days a week.

Zoë's Place Baby Hospice issued a rallying call to the public to ensure this service remains in the heart of the town after increasing demand and changes in respite care funding.

Situated in the historic Crossbeck House, a former convent in Normanby, Zoë's Place provides palliative, respite and bereavement care for families of babies and children with life-limiting or life-threatening illnesses. Since opening its doors in 2004 it has cared for more than 350 children.

The hospice today has more than 30 babies and young children receiving regular nursing

care in its special home from home environment.

While the majority of the families are local, it has cared for children from as far afield as Scarborough. But general manager Mark Guidery says it now faces having to close for one or two nights each week, leaving families without this precious provision.

"We hope everyone in Middlesbrough will get behind us by giving regularly," he said. "We have to find £1.5m a year to keep our doors open. If supporters give just £10 a month each via direct debit or call by the hospice to make a one-off donation it will help our children and their families to get the care and support they deserve."

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