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Bishop's Column

Here dead we lie
Because we did not choose
To live and shame the land
From which we sprung.
Life, to be sure,
Is nothing much to lose,
But young men think it is,
And we were young.
(A E Houseman - *Here dead we lie*)

We are about to begin this August our commemorations of the various events of the First World War. It is a hundred years ago since all this took place. For most of us, it is a vague background memory. For a very, very few, there will still be real and vivid memories which may or may not have been passed on to their children. For a goodly number (their children), these memories will be kept alive by the odd photograph or letter, or diary even, stored in old albums, tins or boxes in the dark recesses of cupboards, sideboards or attics. For their grandchildren, there will be perhaps sanitised stories of "daring-do" and adventures which capture the imagination. And they might even have passed their memories on to the next generation. With the passing of time, these memories can dim and fade, and the sacrifice of so many young men can be forgotten. That would be shameful and wrong.

If you could hear, at every jolt, the blood
Come gargling from the froth-corrupted lungs,
Obscene as cancer, bitter as the cud
Of vile, incurable sores on innocent tongues,
My friend, you would not tell with such high zest
To children ardent for some desperate glory,
The old Lie; Dulce et Decorum est
Pro patria mori.
(Wilfred Owen - *Dulce et Decorum est*)

However, in trying to preserve these memories, there could be a temptation to idealise, err on the side of extreme patriotism, "jingo-ise", as it were, and this would also be deceptive, less than honest and wrong. We must honour such sacrifice as forms the foundations of our freedom, but we must abhor the fact of war which brings with it such profligate slaughter and waste of life.

Oh! we, who have known shame, we
have found release there,
Where there's no ill, no grief, but sleep
has mending,
Naught broken save this body, lost but
breath;

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Sharing the Joy of the Gospel



Bishop Terry with newly commissioned Catechists

Saturday 28th June was a special day for our Diocese as 36 new Catechists were commissioned by Bishop Terry at a celebration held at the Cathedral.

The new Catechists were the most recent participants in *Wellsprings* - Middlesbrough's

very own foundation course in catechesis. Participants met in the Cathedral hall almost once a fortnight over a period of about six months. Many who took part are already helping to prepare children and adults to receive the Sacraments but the course is also

designed to inspire participants with the confidence to speak about their own faith and to encourage them to share that faith with everyone they meet.

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Evangelisation

Bishop's Column

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Nothing to shake the laughing heart's long peace there
But only agony, and that has ending;
And the worst friend and enemy is but Death.
(Rupert Brooke - *Peace*)

And so we turn our thoughts to peace and we turn our minds to the Lord, for it is only he who can truly bring us peace - *Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give this is my gift to you.* (Jn 14:27) We remember those who have died, and we pray for those currently serving in the armed forces.

*Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
For the Kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.*

+ Liz

Sharing the Joy of the Gospel

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This aim is, of course, very much in keeping with what Pope Francis urges each and every one of us to do on a daily basis. In *The Joy of the Gospel*, the Holy Father writes,

"In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples... All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization."

Pope Francis goes on to remind us that "lay people are, put simply, the vast majority of the people of God." This means that unless we all make our personal contribution to the work of proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ then the Church will be - so to speak - underpowered.

At their commissioning, our new Catechists were asked to play their part in spreading the joy of the Gospel. They deserve our thanks for being willing to take on this task - and they deserve our prayers and our practical support too! The next *Wellsprings* course will begin in York in October. If you feel that you may be called to this special form of ministry yourself, why not speak to your own parish priest about the possibility of taking part?

Deacon Vince Purcell



Bishop Terry and Clergy recently gathered at the new premises for St Paul's Bookshop, York to rededicate the work of Evangelisation which takes place there



Co-ordinators of Religious Education recently met in York for a Training Day



In recent years, the Diocesan Schools Service has taken great care to identify and offer specific training to teachers who will be able to offer senior leadership in our schools. Pictured with Bishop Terry here are this year's graduates of the Nurturing Future Leaders course when they received certificates during Mass at Our Lady's, Acomb

A Special Retirement

Sacred Heart Primary School, Middlesbrough celebrated the work of its much loved and respected School Business Manager, Bernie Tuck, as she retired this July. Bernie has worked at the school for 25 years and retires to spend more time with her two grandchildren and to finally relax! Celebrations for Bernie's retirement included a staff weekend in Manchester, a surprise party with family, friends and staff, and gifts from staff, governors and parents. Everyone knows the school will not be the same without Bernie who is renowned for being organised and efficient. It is true to say she knows everything about Sacred Heart School and will be sorely missed. Staff, governors, parents and friends wish her every happiness in a long and joy-filled retirement and our heartfelt thanks for all her hard work.



Bernie Tuck

Year 10 trip to Rome



St Mary's group with Richard Marsden and Ryan Day in the English College

Thirty Year 10 pupils and four members of staff from St Mary's College, Hull went on the first RE Department trip to Rome and the Vatican in June. It turned out to be a wonderful visit. The temperature was hot and a lot of walking was needed to get around. The first day involved visits to the Basilicas of St John Lateran and Santa Maria Maggiore. The beauty of the

architecture and art work left a deep impression on everyone. We then went to the Scala Steps, supposedly used by Jesus when he was sent to Pontius Pilate. As is the custom, several of the students climbed the stairs on their knees, saying a prayer on each of the many steps.

Day two saw visits to some of Rome's most famous treasures. The first stop was at Victor Emmanuel Monument and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and then on to the Pantheon. This beautiful church, the burial place of several kings and famous artists, again left a great impression. Then it was on to the Trevi Fountain and the Spanish Steps. Unfortunately, the fountain had no water on it and was encased in scaffolding as it undergoes some repairs, which was a pity as its real beauty could not be seen. Then it was on to the Coliseum. Everyone was in awe when they entered and saw the sheer scale and size of this first century wonder of the world. Students had plenty of time to be able to explore it before going on to see the Roman Forum. In-between, plenty of time was set aside for opportunities to eat pizza and ice cream. The ice cream parlours in particular proved very popular.

Day three proved to be a highlight. The group went to the English College where young men from England train for the priesthood. The group met with Richard Marsden and Ryan Day, former students of the St Mary's College who are currently midway through their studies for the priesthood. Both were in Mr Leech's year group so it was a great opportunity to catch up. Richard very kindly took the group around the College and also explained how and why he had decided to train for the priesthood. There were lots of questions and photographs taken and everyone thoroughly enjoyed this unique insight into where our current priests are coming from.

We went on to the Vatican. The first part involved climbing to the top of the dome of St Peter's - a climb of 551 steps which proved quite hard, but the views from the top were simply stunning. Then into St Peter's and the Sistine Chapel. Simply breathtaking. Finally, we went to Piazza Navona, before getting back to the hotel. It was a fabulous trip to the Eternal City and one which left a great impression on all of the group who were a delight to be with. Many thanks must go to Miss Flanagan for organising such a wonderful trip.

Phil Leech
St Mary's College, Hull

Le Tour d'Ampleforth

Le Tour de France wasn't the only attraction in North Yorkshire on the afternoon of Sunday 6th July!

All those who were received into the Church at Easter were invited - along with their families, sponsors and catechists - to a celebration at Ampleforth Abbey attended by Bishop Terry. After a warm welcome from the Prior, there was time for a family picnic, a look around the Ampleforth Visitor Centre and a visit to the Abbey Shop. We then gathered in warm sunshine (for the most part!) to reflect upon the experience of becoming members of the Church through receiving the Sacraments for the first time. Bishop Terry closed the afternoon by leading a Liturgy of Thanksgiving in the Chapel of Alban Roe House. Coming together in this way helped us all to remember that we are not only members of our parish communities but that we are also brothers and sisters in the Universal Church.



New Catholics continuing their study

Mike Remembered

Further to the full Tournament report in the July issue of the *Voice*, the boys of St Wilfrid's Primary School in York were awarded the Mike McCullagh Memorial Cup after this year's event. This award was introduced in 2009 when the Trustees of the Mike McCullagh Trust Fund kindly donated this fine cup together with a three year term of funding which has been very beneficial in maintaining this now long established Diocesan event.

The cup is awarded each year in memory of Mike's name, to the 'School of the Tournament', ie the school which, in the opinion of the organising committee, has demonstrated an excellent approach to all aspects of the event, from submission of the original entry form, to completion of registration sheets, arrival on the day, appearance, conduct and behaviour of all in the school's party and sportsmanship, in effect, providing an excellent image of the quality of approach by the school. This 'pursuit of excellence' typified Mike McCullagh himself which is the reason why we have chosen to honour his memory in this way. St Wilfrid's will hold the cup for



Dan Jones (on the left) with his teaching colleague Patrick Parr (on the right) and the boys of St Wilfrid's Primary School, York with the cup

12 months but will keep a smaller replica cup.

Tony McAvoy
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Spotlight on the St Vincent de Paul Society

The St Vincent de Paul Society (or as it is often known - the SVP) is an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty and disadvantage by providing practical assistance to those in need - irrespective of ideology, faith, ethnicity, age or gender. The concept of need is broader than financial hardship, so visiting the sick, the lonely, the addicted, the imprisoned and those suffering from disabilities form a large proportion of the Society's work. The Society is active in 149 countries and has nearly 600,000 members worldwide. In England and Wales, its more than 10,000 volunteers annually carry out more than 500,000 recorded visits (www.svp.org.uk).

Frederick Ozanam, a student at the Sorbonne in Paris, founded the SVP in 1833 in response to the challenge that the Catholic Church in the city at that time did nothing to help the poor. The organisation was dedicated to St Vincent de Paul because of the work he did for the poor and to this day it retains the same priority. SVP is still going strong, both locally and nationally.

The local scene

The Diocese of Middlesbrough is divided into four districts, Middlesbrough, East Cleveland, York and Hull. There are 44 conferences (local SVP groups) throughout the Diocese visiting vulnerable people offering them a friendly word and a listening ear. Visits are made to individuals and families, to the sick at home or in hospitals and hospices, to residential homes and to offender institutes. Loneliness, especially among the elderly, is growing so members spend a lot of time visiting housebound people to prevent them from feeling isolated. Many appreciate a friendly face and enjoy a chat over a cup of tea, knowing that someone cares. Support may extend to doing shopping, decorating, gardening, filling in official forms and ensuring they are receiving their statutory benefits. If you are interested in joining a local conference, contact Kathy Warrick (Middlesbrough Central Council President), e-mail kwarrick39@hotmail.com The St Vincent de Paul Society has recently been awarded the Big Society Award in 2014 from the Prime Minister David Cameron.

Young Vincentians

Young Vincentians are the younger members of the St Vincent de Paul Society. The SVP has a very successful programme in primary schools (7-11 years) called 'Mini Vinnies' - <http://www.minivinnies.org.uk>
Contact: Mini Vinnie Co-ordinators Bernadette Murray (Middlesbrough/East Cleveland area), e-mail bernadetemurray2013@gmail.com or Pat Nobbs (York/Hull area),

e-mail patnobbs@live.co.uk For secondary school aged youth (11-18 years), we have Youth SVP - <http://www.svpyouth.org.uk> For university students and young adults (18-30+ years), we have SVP 1833 - <https://www.svp.org.uk/SVP1833>

There are groups for all ages spread throughout England and Wales, with more starting every year. The SVP is able to develop its youth outreach and support young people to turn their Christian Faith into charitable service, thanks to the work of SVP members in their own areas. Social media contacts:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Young-Vincentians/246864028848672>
<https://twitter.com/Vincentianyouth>
Daniel Blackman is the National Young Vincentian Co-ordinator, e-mail Danielb@svp.org.uk

Community Projects/Special Works

The Society runs projects known as 'Special Works' to address the needs of disadvantaged people in the wider community. Services we offer include: Community Shops located in areas of deprivation. The SVP operates 34 community shops across England and Wales, providing low cost goods and household items to disadvantaged individuals and families, offering a listening ear, and where appropriate, arranging for local SVP members to visit those most in need. Local Community shops are located at 22-24 Rothbury Road, Middlesbrough, TS3 7NW, tel (01642) 246653 (furniture collection and delivery within a 10 mile radius of Middlesbrough shop) and 100 High Street, Redcar, TS10 3DL, tel (01642) 497164. Donations are always welcome.

SVP are currently collecting foreign coins in local parishes:

- All foreign coins and bank notes
- Current UK coins and bank notes
- Any old British and Irish money
- Even obsolete currency, eg pre-decimal currency

Our Very Own Vincent Van Gogh

Local artist Vincent Duffy, who lives in Stokesley, has been painting for a lifetime. He has kindly donated many of his paintings, as raffle prizes, to charitable organisations. He will be 90 years young next year and is an inspiration to us all! His natural talent has raised thousands of pounds for a variety of good causes. Vincent has recently helped to raise £600.00 to enable his local SVP to donate towards a project supporting poor communities in India. Many thanks to everyone who supported our fundraising! The winner was Mrs Julia Dowson.

SVP Team in Stokesley and Great Ayton

Vacancy

Youth Development Co-ordinator sought for the St Vincent de Paul Society.

A retired teacher or headteacher is required for a voluntary part-time role in the St Vincent de Paul Society for Middlesbrough Diocese. For further information, visit <http://www.svpyouth.org.uk> The role is flexible, varied and interesting, promoting practical social action within the 11-18 age range. Contact Kathy Warrick (Middlesbrough Central Council President), e-mail kwarrick39@hotmail.com

Family document available online

Many people in our Diocese took the opportunity a few months ago to respond to the Questionnaire distributed in preparation for the forthcoming Synod on the Family and now the Instrumentum Laboris or preparatory document has been made available.

Family life will be the focus of an extraordinary general session of the Synod of Bishops that will meet at the Vatican between Sunday 5th and Sunday 19th October. Around 150 Synod fathers will take part in the meeting to discuss the "pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelisation". This working document in preparation for the upcoming Synod of the Family is divided into three parts:

- The Gospel of the Family
- Challenges to the Pastoral Care of the Family
- Difficult Pastoral Situations

"The document offers a broad, yet by no means exhaustive, perspective on the present-day situation of the family, on the challenges of the family and on the reflections related to the family today" - Cardinal Baldisseri, General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops. This working document is available to download from the Vatican website www.vatican.va

The Cleveland Newman Circle

Please make a note of our new regular venue

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York Catholic History Day commemorates the Great War

Popular topics, including Yorkshire Catholicism in the Great War, attracted a large audience of over 60 people to this year's York Catholic History Day which was held at the Bar Convent on Saturday 7th June.

Local author, John Rayne-Davis, gave the first talk, on the *Christian Heritage of York*, in which he traced the history of Christianity in York from its earliest beginnings to the present day and placed York events in a national context which many people found very useful. Participants who had travelled from outside Yorkshire (they came from far and wide, including Northumberland, Durham, Cheshire, Lincolnshire, Bristol and Surrey) were particularly pleased to hear the account of York's Christian and Catholic heritage and this was complemented by the opportunity to visit the Bar Convent's museum, which has many exhibits illustrating that heritage. At the beginning of the Day, Sister Patricia Harriss CJ had spoken briefly about the plans for the refurbishment and development of the museum and other facilities at the Bar Convent over the coming months and urged people to take the opportunity to see the museum in its existing form, as it will soon close so that the work can be carried out. She and fundraiser Rory Wardroper also asked those present to spread the word to friends, family and other contacts about the Bar Convent and all it has to offer and encouraged them to support the development project.

Claire Marsland also works in a museum-type environment with the object collections at Ushaw College. Since the closure of the College, she has been engaged in identifying, cataloguing and conserving a wide range of material which she described as *Hidden Gems*. The College was founded in 1808 to accommodate students who had been forced to leave the English College in Douai following the outbreak of war between England and France in 1793. Some of the most significant items in the collection are ecclesiastical, for example chapel furnishings designed by Pugin, including the famous eagle lectern, statues, vestments and vessels purchased for the College and similar items donated by patrons and past pupils. Less elaborate but of particular interest this year,

when we commemorate two World Wars, is a travelling Mass kit believed to have been used by a military chaplain. Other items are older, some having been brought back from France and others donated from various sources. There are also domestic items, including some of the Douai silver - cutlery and drinking cups - buried for safekeeping when the students left France and rescued later, and other items relating to the daily lives of the students, things from the kitchens, bakery, tailor's shop and cobbler which provided for their material welfare, as well as sports equipment and costumes used in plays. Ushaw College will be hosting Heritage Open Days on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th September when visitors will be able to see some of these treasures. Booking is essential and more details can be found on the Durham University website <https://www.dur.ac.uk/conference.booking/details/?id=314>

After lunch, local researcher Roger Thompson, who has recently completed an MA in World War One Studies, spoke on *Religion as a Motivational Force and Aspects of Yorkshire Catholicism in the Great War*. He covered a very wide range of material and the talk, like the two earlier talks, prompted many questions and much discussion. Aspects of the war which were considered included the response of the Church and of the Pope, the English and Welsh hierarchy and, locally, the Bishop of Leeds as well as that of ordinary Catholics. Obviously, there were Catholics on both sides, both believing they were fighting a just war and expecting support from the Church. The Pope's pleas for negotiation fell on deaf ears and the hierarchy in this country supported the war effort. Large numbers of Catholics enlisted and their spiritual needs were provided for by chaplains, who had greater freedom to accompany the troops, even to the front line, whereas restrictions were placed on the movements of Anglican chaplains. The troops were also supported by parishes and organisations at home, which raised funds and provided comforts and facilities both in the UK and at the front. Several members of the audience made knowledgeable contributions to the discussion and the subjects of Catholic

attitudes to and participation in the war is clearly of great interest. The organisers hope to include more talks on these subjects over the next three years so look out for advance notice in *The Voice*. This will be particularly important in 2015 because the development works at the Bar Convent mean we have to

find another venue, so date and location of the 20th York Catholic History Day have not yet been finalised. The day closed with Mass, celebrated in the Bar Convent chapel by Father Dominique Minskup and Father Bernard Funnell.

Judith Smeaton

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More Mini Vinnies

On Wednesday 18th June, 23 young pupils at St Mary's Primary School, Grangetown were commissioned as Mini Vinnies in a ceremony which involved the whole school. The commissioning liturgy was led by Michael Willcock from the Tyne Central Council of the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) and there was a prayerful and meaningful atmosphere which showed the commitment of everyone, pupils, the Headteacher, Mrs C Ruddy, Head of RE, Mrs L Phelps, and other staff. The ceremony was also attended by a number of members of the St Vincent de Paul Society. The photograph shows the new Mini Vinnies with members of staff and the SVP. All the new Mini Vinnies are to be congratulated for their commitment and will bring their energy and enthusiasm to helping those in need in the local community.





The Mini Vinnies programme was developed by the SVP in Australia and adopted by the SVP in the Diocese of Shrewsbury and more recently in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Mini Vinnies are children aged between 7 and 11 who, with the permission of their parents, are encouraged to take part in some aspects of the work of the SVP. Primary schools are provided with a resource pack to guide the activities of the Mini Vinnie group. A number of primary schools in the Diocese already have Mini Vinnie groups and several other schools have asked for information meetings with a view to forming Mini Vinnie groups.

Stephen Merckx



Minnie Vinnies at St Mary's, Grangetown

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Walking for Peace in memory of the Richmond 16

In this year that commemorates the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War, there is much in the media concerning the acts of courage and compassion of so many alongside the appalling effects on families and communities who lost so many. Pax Christi, together with other agencies who work for peace, have planned events and created resources to ensure that the commemorations also reflect the need for a commitment to future peacemaking.

Mindful of this aim and as a fitting remembrance of the courage and bravery of the 'Richmond 16', the Justice and Peace Commission is planning a 'pilgrimage walk' from Richmond Castle to Easby Abbey on Saturday 6th September. The Richmond 16 were men in the North East who took a stand for pacifism when conscription was introduced in 1916 and were incarcerated in Richmond Castle. They included Quakers, Methodists, Jehovah's Witnesses and socialists. During the Somme offensive in 1916, in order to send a

powerful message to recruits, Kitchener decided to make an example of the conscientious objectors who were imprisoned in the UK. They were secretly taken to Boulogne and forced to watch a 'deserter' being shot. In France, they were now subject to military law and, after refusing to obey a direct order, they were condemned to be shot by firing squad. Fortunately, one of the condemned men was allowed to send a postcard home and ingeniously coded the format to indicate their whereabouts. Arthur Rowntree, the Liberal MP for York, himself a Quaker, took up their cause and asked questions in Parliament which resulted in their safe return to England. On release in 1919, they were often reviled and abused for the stand they took, treated as social outcasts and unable to find employment.

In Richmond Castle are eight small cells whose walls bear the pencilled graffiti sketched by the men; drawings, notes and devotional quotations. The cells are undergoing renovation

and will be open to the public in 2016. Meanwhile, there are facsimiles in the museum. A garden in the castle grounds is dedicated to their memory. The strong moral convictions of conscientious objectors during the First World War led the way to a change in public attitude towards pacifism. There were many in the Second World War who took a similar stand. The need for peacemaking is ever more urgent in today's world.

Our walk will begin at 11.00 am with a short liturgy in the Garden where there are 16 topiary pieces made up of green and golden yew trees. We will then walk along the banks of the river to Easby Abbey (approximately one mile) for the conclusion and a picnic lunch. You are most welcome to join us but please let us know if you are coming as we need to know numbers for a group booking for the Castle.

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Barbara Hungin

Dignity In and Out of Work - Where do you stand?

On Teesside today:

- 40% of children are living in poverty
- Middlesbrough & Stockton ranked top of Youth Unemployment Table
- 20,000 households living in fuel poverty
- 4,514 Sanctions in Stockton during 2013 across 5,750 Job Seeker's Allowance Claimants
- The high interest lending industry is growing at an alarming rate...

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Middlesbrough Community Church, Clifton Street, Middlesbrough

Wednesday 17th September, 6.30 pm

The fight against poverty, economic injustice and social exclusion is probably at its most urgent for many years. No longer are these issues limited to those people who are out of work or on benefits. Those in work and living in poverty is higher than it has been for many years.

We hear from our politicians that work is the best way out of poverty. This may have been true once but it appears to be no longer!

As a society we treat those who fall on hard times with impunity as though they are the cause of all our economic and social problems.

The often indiscriminate sanctioning of benefit claimants leaving them dependent on foodbanks and with little or no money for lengthy periods of time is having a disastrous impact on them and their families leaving them at the mercy of loan sharks and high street or pay day lenders.

The low paid, the unemployed, the disabled, those in debt and people on almost any kind of benefit, suffer in silence. People make decisions concerning them but they don't stop to listen to them. This event is a chance for us to hear, first-hand, the impact of low pay,

unemployment, and benefit reforms on the people actually affected by them.

We will hear the experiences of people in work and on low pay, of people on Job Seeker's Allowance, from those affected by the Bedroom Tax...

Their voices will challenge us to act! They will make us feel uncomfortable and they will demand that those in power and authority listen and act positively on what they have heard!

Everyone is welcome to attend but we particularly invite those in positions of authority to come along and listen.

Programme

- 6.30 pm** Registration, Tea/Coffee
- 7.00 pm** Welcome and setting the scene
- 7.10 pm** I'm a Person, NOT a Statistic
- 7.35 pm** Dignity In and Out of Work—Job Centre Sanctions
- 8.05 pm** Dignity In and Out of Work—In Work Poverty
- 8.35 pm** How do we feel about what we have heard? What can we do about it?
- 9.00 pm** Close and Depart

With your help and support we can begin to work alongside those in our area whose lives are blighted by low pay, debt, poverty and exclusion.

Through events like this we can challenge our politicians, business leaders and civil servants to think again about their policies and how they implement them.

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To book, e-mail mail@thrive-teesside.org.uk or telephone (01642) 614126 [ext 210].

Swainby, Whorlton and Huthwaite walk

The North Yorkshire village of Swainby probably developed over the last five centuries first to be of service to the drovers on the Scotland to London drovers road. Then it expanded a couple of centuries ago to accommodate the iron stone workers; it is now a quiet residential village. Whorlton, most of which has now disappeared, has a much longer history and was mentioned in the Domesday Book. Both can be found by leaving the A172 Stokesley to Thirsk road five miles beyond Stokesley.

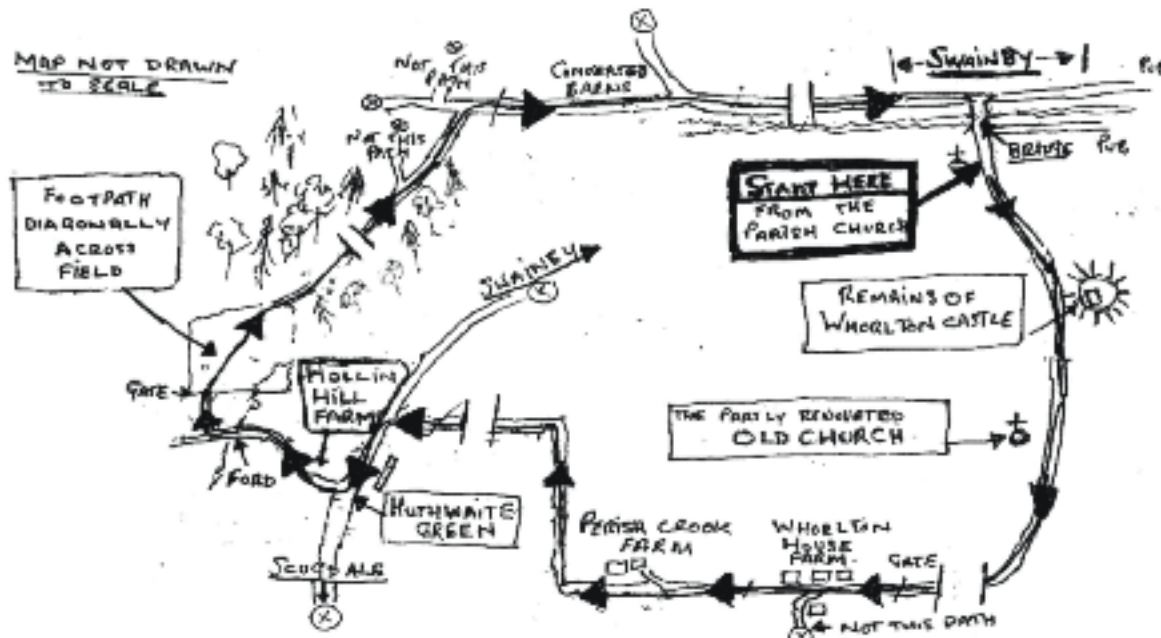
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1. **Start** from the Parish Church of The Holy Cross in Swainby, walk away from the river bridge along the road signed to Whorlton. In just a few hundred yards we reach the castle, which has an interesting history; shortly after this we arrive at the old church, again well worth a visit.
2. Rejoin the road and continue for a half mile as it curves right leading to Whorlton House Farm, carry on through the road gate keeping in same direction past the main buildings, through another gate and along a track to Parish Crook Farm.
3. The right of way is left of the house by a hedge leading through a gate and turns right onto a rough track along the back boundary fence of the house (ignore the waysign left) follow this track as it turns left along the field edge and then on through a couple of gates leading to a lane.
4. Turn left along the lane past the Heathwaite sign soon to turn right along another lane at Huthwaite Green.
5. Pass Hollins Hill Farm, cross a stream then turn immediate right along a wooded track (waysigned Cleveland Way) to a field gate. Cross the field using the path up diagonally right to a walkers gate, turn right along a good grit path through woods, keep to this

path (ignore path up to the left) until meeting a track, here we leave the Cleveland Way by turning right through a gate to pass some converted barns and meet Coalmire Lane after a couple of hundred yards.

6. Turn right along this lane for a half mile heading back to Swainby and the end of our walk, but do take care as this road is busier than others we have used today.

- Distance: 4.0 miles
- Ascent: 400 feet
- Facilities: Toilets in Swainby
- Eateries: Pubs and Coffee Shop in Swainby (check opening hours)
- Map: OS North York Moors (western) OL26
- Buggies: Not suitable



The New Pilgrim

St Hilda Chair in Catholic Social Thought and Practice

The Department of Theology and Religion at Durham University, within which the Centre for Catholic Studies (CCS) is situated, and Durham University Business School are delighted to announce the concurrent appointment of Doctor Mark Hayes as the inaugural holder of the St Hilda Chair in Catholic Social Thought and Practice. Doctor Hayes' appointment will begin in September 2014, when he will be installed as a Reader of Durham University.

This endowed research and teaching post was made possible by a number of benefactors and supporters across the UK, Europe and the US, who contributed towards the necessary c£2,000,000 endowment for the Chair. This enabling group includes major foundations, women's religious congregations, and business executives who are each passionate about providing first-class academic resource, which by producing fresh research and understanding can contribute both to the constructive development of the Catholic Social Teaching tradition and to its imaginative practical application and dissemination amongst scholars and professionals alike.

Letters of support were provided by: His Eminence Cardinal

Peter Turkson, President of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace; His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster; The Right Reverend Seamus Cunningham, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, and - in an inspiring show of ecumenical support for CST - The Most Reverend and Right Honourable Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Doctor Hayes is currently Fellow and Director of Studies in Economics at Robinson College and an Affiliated Lecturer in the Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge. His non-academic background is in finance, as an investment manager at 3i, and as principal founder and Managing Director (1990-99) of Shared Interest, the co-operative lending society that finances Fair Trade. Doctor Hayes' professional and personal interest in Catholic Social Teaching dates to this time. Educated at Stonyhurst and Cambridge, he holds his PhD (2003) from the University of Sunderland.

His primary teaching and research interests have been in macroeconomics, finance and co-operative law. He has written on the economics of Fair Trade, for which he holds

the 2006 Helen Potter Award from the *Review of Social Economy*. His major book is *The Economics of Keynes: A New Guide to The General Theory* (2006) and has also published a review of the Vatican's recent reflections on the reform of the international financial and monetary system (*ROSE*, 2013) and provided notable commentaries on economic and social issues for media partners such as *The Tablet*, BBC, the *FT*, *The Guardian* and others. He is the Secretary of the Post-Keynesian Economics Study Group and a Trustee of the Association for Social Economics. He is on the Editorial Boards of the *Review of Social Economy* and the *European Journal of Economics and Economic Policies*.

Doctor Mark Hayes, St Hilda Chair-elect, said "What does it mean to love your neighbour as yourself in a complex global society? Consider, for example, unemployment, inequality, welfare, the financial system: all pressing and contentious economic issues; or more subtly, consumer choice and corporate ethics. The Church in the widest sense needs more tools and training to translate its insights into terms that society as a whole can engage with and which stand up to critical scrutiny. What a challenge and what an opportunity!"

Apostolic Blessing



Presentation to Stella Hodgson

Surprise presentations to a parishioner of St Aelred's, York took place during the Sunday Mass on the Feast of Ss Peter and Paul. A very close friend of the family, Mara, who lives in Rome, brought an Apostolic Blessing from His Holiness Pope Francis to mark the occasion of Stella Hodgson's 90th birthday. Stella, who is Italian, met and married her husband Stanley during the Second World War when he was serving with the RAF in Italy; they came to England in 1945. Stella has three children, Eric, Rosemary and Anita, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Stella was widowed in 1969. Stella can be seen regularly at most of the church services and supports events that are organised in the parish throughout the year. Along with her two daughters, she is a member of the Union of Catholic Mothers. The President of the St Aelred's Foundation of the UCM presented a bouquet and cards from fellow members.

Kath Stubbs

Synod of Whitby Anniversary Conference

This year is the 1,350th anniversary of the Synod of Whitby, the interface between the Christian Church in the North of England and the Church in Rome: the meaning of 'Unity in Diversity' is still being worked out in our generation. A Day Conference looks at these themes with Doctor Clare Stancliffe, Honorary Reader in Ecclesiastical History at Durham University and Father Henry Wansbrough OSB, a member of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC III) which is focussing on 'The Church: Local and Universal'. Arranged by the Anglican Centre in Rome, the Conference is on Saturday 11th October at Clements Hall, York, YO22 2BW and costs £20.00 (£10.00 for those in full-time education) including lunch, coffee and tea. Details: www.anglicancentreinrome.org/york More from The Reverend Bill Snelson: development@anglicancentre.it

National Conference for Rural Catholics

Fracking - coming to a parish near you? Just one of the topics at the National Conference for Rural Catholics 2015 which parishioners and clergy from across the country will be coming to hear. The conference takes place at the Best Western Country Hotel and Golf Club, Garstang in Lancashire.

Also on the programme will be a look at the forestry industry, the future of community hospitals, and What is Care Farming?

The Bishops' Conference Home Mission Desk will speak about its support for rural parishes and CaFE will introduce some of its resources for small rural groups wishing to grow in the faith.

Conference dates: Monday 9th - Wednesday 11th February 2015

Details from Father Robert Miller, tel (01747) 870228, e-mail rwhm274@btinternet.com or www.ruralcatholics.org.uk



100th Birthday Party

St Alphonsus Parish, Middlesbrough has a centenarian! Mrs Hilda Langham nee Malling celebrated her 100th birthday on Thursday 12th June with Mass celebrated by Monsignor Gerry Dasey and Father Pat Day. The Mass was attended by family, friends, neighbours, parishioners and children from St Alphonsus School, followed by light refreshments including a birthday cake in the Church Hall. Hilda requested no birthday gifts but monetary donations to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Hilda was born in Preston and completed her teacher training in Newcastle. Her first teaching post was in St Mary's Cathedral School in Middlesbrough and during this time met her future husband. She later returned to Preston to teach at the English Martyrs School where she taught for three years before returning to Middlesbrough to marry and have her two children. Returning to Middlesbrough, Hilda took up posts at St Mary's Cathedral School and St Alphonsus School prior to her appointment as Deputy Headteacher at Corpus Christi School, Cargo Fleet Lane, Middlesbrough, where she retired more than ten years later.

As part of her celebration, Hilda received a congratulations letter from Cardinal Vincent Nichols, who also offered Mass for her on 12th June. Despite her great age, Hilda remains active and attends Mass daily at St Alphonsus.

Left: Hilda Langham cuts her 100th birthday cake

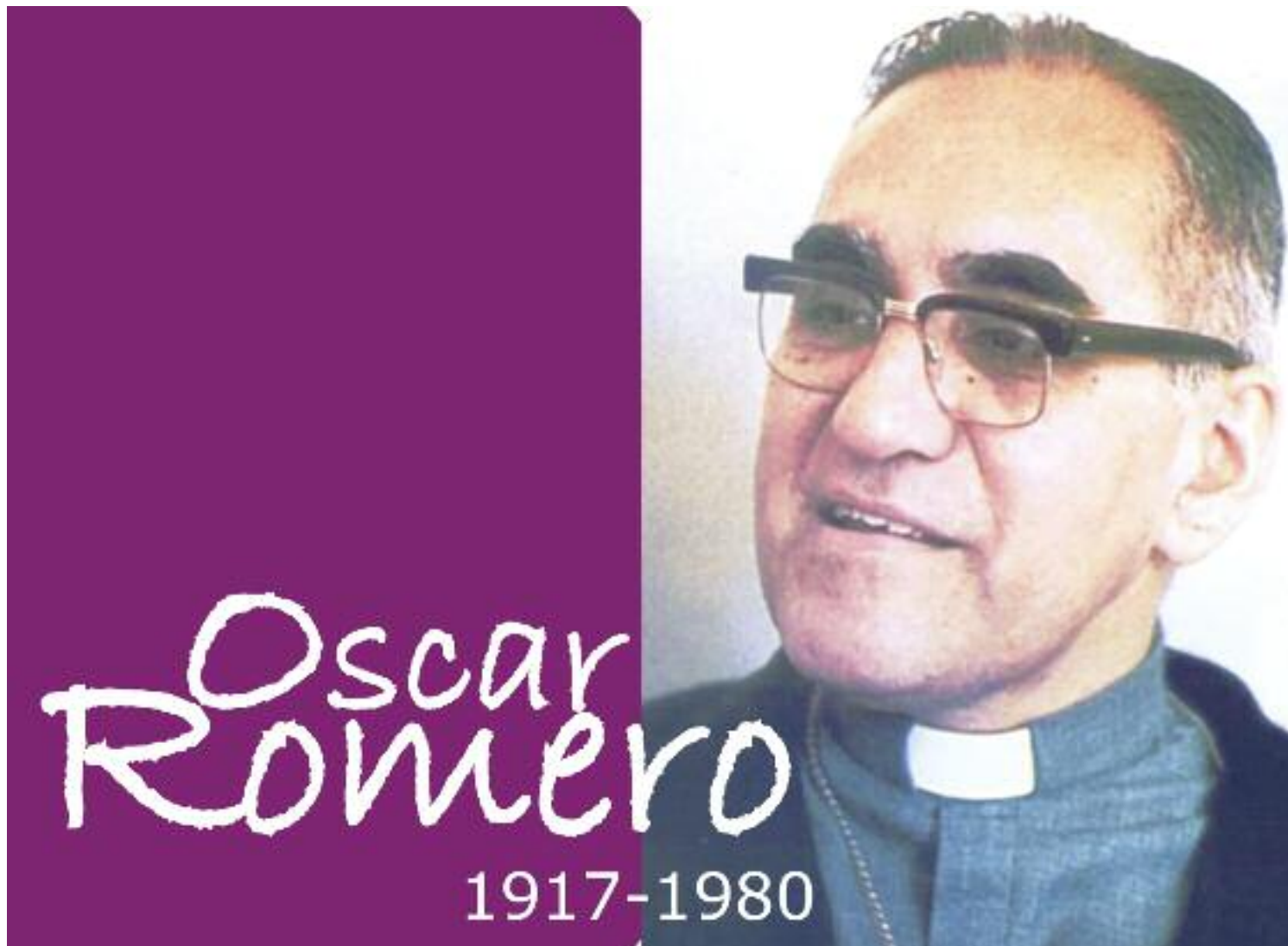
The Legacy of Archbishop Romero

On Saturday 5th July, around 60 pilgrims of all ages from Hull, York, Redcar, Guisborough and Middlesbrough set off for CAFOD's Annual Pilgrimage to Holy Island and joined with around 250 others from the Dioceses of Hexham and Newcastle, Leeds and Hallam.

The pilgrimage was led by The Right Reverend John Rawsthorne, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Hallam and former Chair of CAFOD. Bishop John got the pilgrimage underway with a short prayer calling us to solidarity with the poor around the world and praying for the Canonisation of the late Archbishop Oscar Romero. The theme of this year's pilgrimage was the Legacy of Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador who was assassinated in 1980 whilst saying Mass in the chapel of the hospital where he lived. Romero was assassinated because he was speaking out on behalf of poor and oppressed people in El Salvador and calling on the wealthy in the country and its military to stop the persecution of their brothers and sisters whose lives were blighted by poverty and injustice.

As we walked the Pilgrims Way, we listened to the witness given by some people who had recently visited El Salvador with The Romero Trust. They shared their experiences and stories of their visit, reflecting on these in the light of the Gospel. Anne told us: "As Jesus in the Gospel, sat with the disciples, I was reminded of sitting in El Mozote with Hilda. El Mozote was a place of massacre in December 1981 when 767 villagers were killed due to the Army's scorched earth policy during the civil war. The sadness of the terrible massacre was seen in the eyes of Hilda, who cried as if it had taken place yesterday. She lost her family." Clare shared: "Fidel Ramos lives in the hamlet of Puentecitos, a poor rural community in the west of El Salvador. Every Thursday afternoon in the chapel, Fidel leads the community in prayer. He said that we always remember our friends in England who we have met through CAFOD's Connectz programme. We can't believe that people like you think that people like us are important, that we matter. You make us feel like real people."

Predictably, the weather turned gloomy and wet as we walked across the causeway but it didn't dampen our pilgrims' spirit as they participated in the prayers and reflections. We were joined by Antony Mbandi, Director of CAFOD Partner, Caritas Kitui, Kenya, who is visiting different parts of England and Wales speaking about the work that Caritas Kitui is doing to mitigate the effects of climate change and poverty. He shared this reflection: "Faithfulness will spring forth from the earth and justice look down from heaven - it is a cliché that the climate that we speak about is within this space; the space between the earth and heaven. Justice shall march before him - this is our action against social injustices. And peace shall follow in his steps - it is our strong belief if the earth heals, then there will be greater peace in the world, since a lot of the problems around lack of resources, ie enough food, lack of



income and climate refugees are now leading to a lack of peace."

Kitui was once a green and fertile land. A great dam provided constant fresh water and people were able to grow a variety of crops and raised livestock. There was enough food for them to feed their families but the dam has dried up. Antony told us that the community has a plan to restore its life-giving dam. Over the course of two years, the people of Kitui will be digging miles of terracing, building a network of smaller dams and planting thousands of new trees. To make this happen, they need your help. By making a regular donation each month, you can help to raise the £206,517 that will be needed to carry out the work. Visit: <http://cafod.org.uk/hands> to find out how you can help the people of Kitui rebuild their life-giving water supply.

Our pilgrimage was fittingly brought to an end by the celebration of Mass in the Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin. The 300 or so pilgrims packed into this beautiful church reputed to be built on the site of the original monastery. Mass was concelebrated by Bishop John Rawsthorne, Father Jim O'Keefe and a Columban Priest, Father Peter Hughes. Bishop John preached the homily and spoke forcefully about the need to speak out with and on behalf of the poor, both here at

home and overseas, saying that the *increase in poverty in our own country is disgraceful* and CAFOD has to be a sign to our Catholic community that points the way to tackling poverty on a global and local scale. We need to reach out to each other and support Pope Francis who is a great advocate for the poor. He will need our prayers. *Many of our pilgrims commented on how much they had enjoyed coming along and how uplifting the whole event was. Next year's pilgrimage will be on 30th May 2015 - Put the date in your diary!*

Do you have some free time that you could offer to CAFOD as a volunteer? A couple of hours a week or month is all it takes to make a big difference to the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world! Why not give David or Carol a call at the CAFOD Office to discuss the possibilities further?

Some dates for your diary

Saturday 20th September - CAFOD Day of Reflection, 10.30 am to 3.30 pm (led by Canon Michael Ryan) at Thicket Priory, Thorganby nr York. Come and join us for a relaxing day of prayer and reflection concluding with Mass at 3.30 pm.

Friday 3rd October - CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Sunday 5th October - CAFOD Harvest Service, 3.00 pm at St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church. Bishop Terry will preside accompanied by the Anglican Bishop of Hull, The Right Reverend Richard Frith. The theme of the service will be focussing on poverty at home and abroad, climate change and energy. We are asking our Catholic parishes and schools to bring along non-perishable food items to be distributed to the foodbanks and other initiatives supporting the needy here at home. Help us to build a mountain of food that will be used!

Sunday 16th November - CAFOD Memorial Mass will be held at St Bernadette's Church, Gypsy Lane, Middlesbrough at 10.30 am. If you would like the name of your deceased loved ones to be entered into the CAFOD Book of Remembrance, please let us know either by e-mailing their details to middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk or tel (01904) 671767.

Everyone is welcome to come along to any of our events. Just drop us an e-mail or telephone us to let us know. As always, we are most grateful to the people of the Diocese of Middlesbrough for all your help and support with our work.

David Cross
CAFOD Middlesbrough Diocesan Manager

Supporting refugees in Middlesbrough

On Tuesday 24th June, 15 Year 12 students from Ampleforth College spent a day at the John Paul Community Centre in Middlesbrough to gain some first-hand experience of the work of the North of England Refugee Service and Investing in People and Culture. The students listened to presentations on the work of the refugee charities and also heard personal testimonies from refugees which the teachers and students found very moving. Year 12 students have a distinct 'retreat' which sees the students going along in small groups to find out about service which is done for people. This involves listening, talking, asking questions and observing. They learn about what service really means by each small group visiting charities and projects.

The John Paul Centre provides a base for a number of charities supporting those in poverty, the homeless and refugees. All this work is undertaken alongside the spiritual and social programme traditionally offered at the John Paul Centre by Father Andrew and Father Michael. The Centre is key to the work of Together Middlesbrough, the Anglican Church Urban Fund initiative that is making significant progress in providing a co-ordinated ecumenical approach to the lives of the poor and vulnerable.

On the afternoon, the students were assigned to help pack and hand out the grocery carriers with staple foods and the £5.00 per week from the Mary Thompson Fund to individual refugees. Some of the

students examined how we can best use the improved basement space at the Centre. Father Luke Beckett felt that important lessons were learnt about the vulnerable in our communities. The students made a great contribution to the day by working with other volunteers and meeting refugees. The group returned to Ampleforth College to complete the retreat by talking about their insights and working out how to put them into action in their own lives, in college and beyond. The day ended with Mass and a short account from each group of who they met and what they learned. During the retreat, a wonderful lunch was prepared by refugees consisting of traditional Transylvanian food! Bini Araia of Investing in People and Culture said "It was special to

bring together sixth form students from Ampleforth and refugees. We all need to understand more about local issues and pressures, as well as the good work undertaken by faith groups and charities in Tees Valley."

Bini Araia, Investing in People and Culture
John Hinman, Trustee, Together Middlesbrough

For more information on the work of Investing in People and Culture, please contact Bini Araia on 07411 157589 or John Hinman on (01642) 700075. For more information on the John Paul Community Centre, please contact Father Andrew Burns or Father Michael Henesy on (01642) 247831.



Vocations

Jubilees

During the last two months, a number of our priests have celebrated jubilees and we offer our congratulations to The Very Reverend Monsignor Tony Bickerstaffe on his Diamond Jubilee, to Father Tim Bywater, The Very Reverend Canon Jerry Twomey, The Right Reverend Monsignor Canon David Hogan and Father Vincent Docherty on their Ruby Jubilees and Father Jim O'Brien on his Silver Jubilee. *Catholic Voice* has received photographs from some of the celebrations and we print them here.



Canon Jerry Twomey with members of his family during his Jubilee celebrations



Monsignor Canon David Hogan pictured at his Jubilee with Knights and Dames of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre; he is the Prior of the Order for the four North Eastern dioceses



Father Jim O'Brien cuts his Jubilee cake

Two monks ordained at Ampleforth

The Feast of Ss Peter and Paul was celebrated at Ampleforth Abbey with the ordination of two monks as priests by the Bishop of Middlesbrough.

Brother Columba Moujing, a native of Malaysia, joined the Benedictine community at Ampleforth in 2003, and Brother Cedd Mannion joined in 2007. A large number of family and friends attended the Mass, including a good number of Father Columba's family and relations who had flown from Malaysia. It was also the last school Sunday Mass of this academic year, so students from Ampleforth College and St Martin's Ampleforth were also present.

In his homily, the Bishop encouraged Father Columba and Father Cedd "to apply your energies to the duty of teaching in the name of Christ, the chief Teacher. Share with mankind the Word of God you have received with joy. Meditate on the law of God, believe what you read, teach what you believe and put into practice what you preach". He went on to say "Today especially you have the example of Ss Peter and Paul to help and guide you. You have their intercession to strengthen you throughout your priestly life, no matter how long or short it might be. Like our two great Saints of today's feast, you are both called to gather the family of Christ together as one in your different ways and with your different but spirit-filled complementary gifts. You are called to be witnesses by professing boldly and with your lives in whom you believe. You will also do this by your preaching and your teaching. But above all, be yourselves living Gospels for all to hear!"



Bishop Terry lays hands on Brother Cedd (left) and Brother Columba



Father Cedd Mannion OSB (left) and Father Columba Moujing OSB



Father Tim Bywater pictured with The Reverend Beryl Boyes and The Reverend Pip Sharpe who were among local clergy and ministers of all denominations who had accepted his invitation to attend his Jubilee celebrations. Father Tim Bywater is Diocesan Ecumenical Officer



Sixteen priests took part in a retreat at Ampleforth during June. Pictured here are the sixteen with Bishop Terry and Father Terence Richardson, the Prior of Ampleforth

Father Michael Lambe RIP



Bishop Draine was the Principal Concelebrant at Father Michael Lambe's funeral held in the chapel of the Daughters of Charity Centre, Christopher Grange, Liverpool on Friday 20th June. He was joined by Bishop Vincent Malone, retired Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool, who had known Father Michael for a number of years, Fathers Jack McKeever and Pat Day and Father Gerard Cobham, Chaplain of Christopher Grange.

The church was packed with Daughters of Charity from a number of convents in the North West, together with a contingent from London as well as members of the local community and residents of the Centre. The Bishop extended the sympathy of the Diocese to Sister Anne, Michael's sister, and a member of the Daughters of Charity community at Christopher Grange and his thanks to the community which had cared for Michael for a number of years. The Bishop's sermon has already been reported in *Catholic Voice*. After Mass, Michael was buried with members of his family.

Doctor Jim Whiston



Spirituality and Worship

Celebrations

During the spring and early summer months, groups of young people have received Holy Communion for the first time while other older young people have received the Sacrament of Confirmation. In celebration of these great occasions throughout the Diocese and the hard work of the Catechists who have worked through the year on the important preparations, we are featuring some photographs that have been sent in to *Catholic Voice*.



First Holy Communion at St Mary and St Joseph, Pocklington



First Holy Communion at St Mary's Cathedral



Crowning the Statue of Our Lady at the beginning of the First Holy Communion celebration at the Cathedral



First Holy Communion children and young people who had recently been confirmed at St Augustine, Redcar



First Holy Communion candidates with Father Kevin Trehy and Catechists at St Margaret Clitherow, Haxby



Young People from the Northern Deanery confirmed at the Cathedral



Bishop Terry celebrates the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Mary's Cathedral



Young people from the Parishes of Sacred Heart and St Augustine, Redcar, St Bede, Marske and Our Lady of Lourdes, Saltburn, who had prepared together for their confirmation, "bowled over" on a post celebration night out together

Parish Jubilees

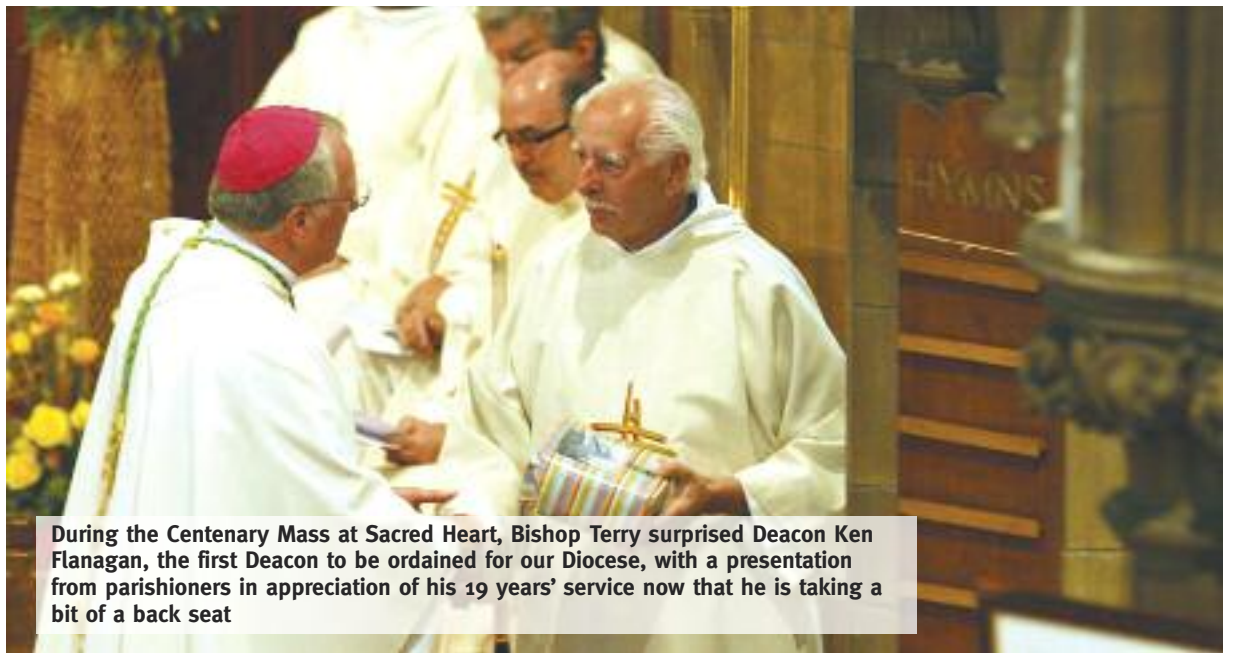
During June, the people of St Wilfrid's, York celebrated 150 years of worship and witness in the ancient city and at Sacred Heart in Redcar, the parishioners celebrated 100 years in the seaside and industrial town. A selection of photographs sent to *Catholic Voice* captures the spirit of those occasions.



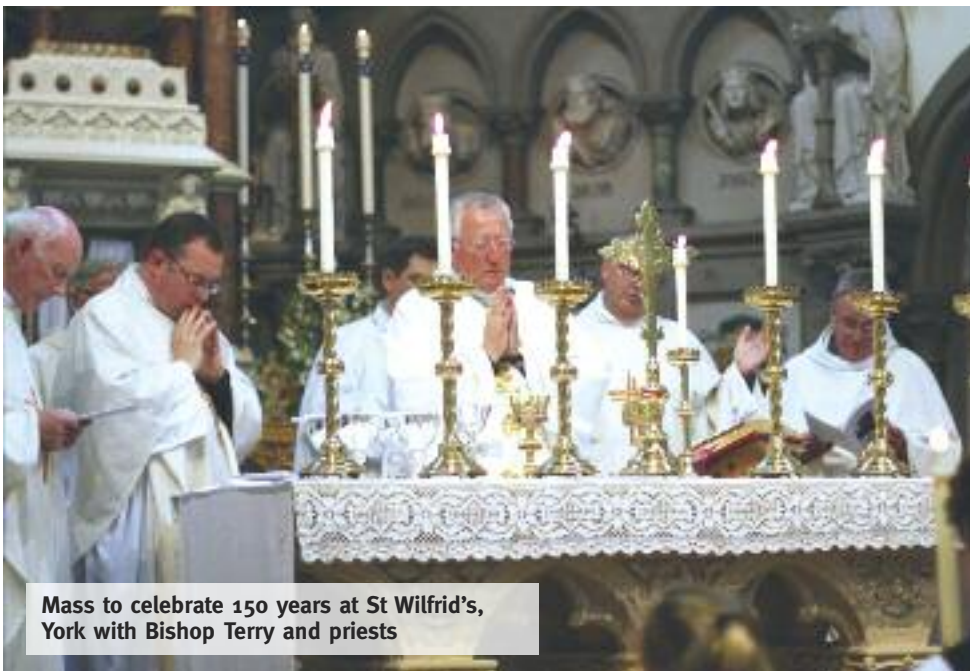
One of the stunning displays of flowers at Sacred Heart, Redcar created by ladies from St Joseph's, Stokesley utilising the statue of St Joseph already in position in Sacred Heart Church



Bishop Terry celebrates the Centenary Mass for parishioners at Sacred Heart, Redcar surrounded by a display of vestments and flowers from the Flower Festival organised by parishioners



During the Centenary Mass at Sacred Heart, Bishop Terry surprised Deacon Ken Flanagan, the first Deacon to be ordained for our Diocese, with a presentation from parishioners in appreciation of his 19 years' service now that he is taking a bit of a back seat



Mass to celebrate 150 years at St Wilfrid's, York with Bishop Terry and priests



St Wilfrid's celebration cake

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Choir Schools' Association Northern Area Sports and Choral Day

On Wednesday 25th June, the Northern Division of the Choir Schools' Association met at St Martin's Ampleforth for the Annual Sports and Choral Day.

One hundred and forty-two children came to the event from Durham Cathedral, Manchester Cathedral, Peterborough Cathedral, Southwell Minster, Blackburn Cathedral, York Minster and St Martin's Ampleforth. During the morning, the children took part in two sports tournaments, rounders for the girls and football for the boys.

It was a very busy day and after lunch, the Choristers went across the valley to Ampleforth College in order to sing a 4.30 pm Service of Evening Prayer, an Anglican Office, in the Abbey Church. The sound and clarity of 142 treble singers was astonishing and echoed round the church, transfixing the congregation. The music included a Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Edward Bairstow and Stanford's 'Song of Wisdom' which Vincent Conyngham described



as "stunning".

An exultant Head of Music, Vincent Conyngham, commented "Each year, one of the Cathedrals in the Northern Division of the Choirs' School Association hosts this event. The last time Ampleforth hosted, it was in 2007 and to host such a wonderful ecumenical event in Ampleforth Abbey was very special".

Pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady of The Crag

Mass will be celebrated in the medieval Chapel of Our Lady of the Crag off Abbey Road, Knaresborough on Sunday 10th August at 4.00 pm. The pilgrimage is organised by the Carmelite Spirituality Groups in Leeds and York; the celebrant will be the Carmelite Prior Provincial, Father Antony Lester OCarm. All are welcome! Direct trains link Knaresborough to York and Leeds. Parking is available in the town centre, and limited parking at the Chapel. The Chapel is not wheelchair accessible. The Chapel will be open to visitors from 2.00 pm; we will gather there from 3.45 pm for Mass at 4.00 pm. For further information, please contact Mr Johan Bergström-Allen, tel (01904) 411521, e-mail leeds@laycarmel.org website www.carmelite.org/leeds

Wanted!

If anyone in the Hull/East Riding area has a First Holy Communion dress (or similar white dress) that they would like to donate to the May Procession stock of dresses at St Vincent's Church, Queens Road, Hull, then they would be very gratefully received. They are in particular need of dresses for girls aged 8 and upwards. Please contact Catherine Holtby on (01482) 804532 or 07817 834362.

The Diocesan AGM on Saturday 21st June was hosted by the Filey UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers) on a beautiful sunny day. We commenced with Holy Mass celebrated by Father Bill Serplus, Parish Priest of St Aelred's, York. During the Mass, a new member, Trish McGowan for the Filey Foundation, was enrolled and the other mothers renewed their promises. We were then treated to an excellent lunch provided by the Filey Foundation.

Following lunch, Father Anthony Amadi gave a talk on the value of the Mother in the World with quotes from the Book of Proverbs. God has given us all responsibility and we should try and use Mary as our role model. Praying with and for our families being the most important. This was followed by the AGM. The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and then gave her report. The other officers gave their reports. There was a change of three officers and the President thanked the retiring officers and small gifts were presented on behalf of the mothers.

The new officers elected: Welfare - Mary Blurton (St Peter's, Scarborough); Media - Elizabeth Dunn (St Aelred's, York). Father Bill Serplus spoke of the importance of a Justice and Peace Officer; two members, Sarah Sheils and Christine Kelly, agreed to share this position, both from St Aelred's, York. The Study Day Officer, Sarah Sheils, hopes to arrange a Diocesan Study Day later in the year, following the successful day which was held in 2013.

Next year's meeting will be held at St Peter's, Scarborough, date to be arranged. The President, Hilda Carney, then closed the meeting at 3.45 pm and the Filey mothers then entertained us to tea and cakes before members made their way to coaches and home.

Kath Stubbs
Media Officer

Spotlight on the Union of Catholic Mothers



Diocesan President, Hilda Carney; Mary Blurton, new Welfare Officer from Scarborough; retiring Welfare Officer, Mrs Anne Pitman

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3 Celebrates Mass to mark the Centenary of the entry of the British Empire into the First World War, St Mary's Cathedral 10.00 am
17 Osmotherley Pilgrimage 2.30 pm

Those wishing to attend events during the summer may wish to check with the relevant organiser or parish to see if they are proceeding

1 Friday
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7.00 pm First Friday Life Prayer Group meets at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

1 - 3 Friday - Sunday
'Homeward Bound' - a retreat led by Fr Christopher Gorst. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

2 Saturday
10.00 am - 1.00 pm Intercession for Renewal (Praise and Worship) at St Mary's Church, Wycliffe (nr Hutton Magna). Contact: Mike, Tel: 07533 205630 for further details
2.00 pm Pilgrimage for Life to the Lady Chapel, Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Meet at the first Station of the Cross at 2.00 pm to pray for Life and an end to our abortion culture. Concludes with Vigil Mass of Sunday at 4.00 pm. All welcome. Contact: Patricia Sammon, Tel: 07747 698553 or 0113 258 2745 or E-mail: patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com for further details

7.00 pm - 9.00 pm First Saturday Rosary Prayer Group meets at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. All welcome. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

3 Sunday
10.00 am Requiem Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough to celebrate the Centenary of entry of the British Empire into the War
5.00 pm Latin Mass followed by Rosary and Benediction at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
6.00 pm Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

5 Tuesday
7.00 pm The Knights of St Columba, Council 29, meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough commencing with Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

6 Wednesday
6.30 pm The Secular Franciscan Order meet every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details

7 Thursday
1.00 pm - 2.30 pm Ark, the Pastoral Support Group for people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact: Catherine Marshall, Tel: (01642) 877936 for venue and other details

8 Friday
2.00 pm Scarborough Medjugorje Prayer Group. Contact Joan Salt, Tel: (01723) 363321 for further details including venue

7.00 pm - 8.30 pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets in the small chapel at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact: John, Tel: (01759) 380415 for further details

10 Sunday
Carmelite Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Crag, Knaresborough (off Abbey Road), organised by the Carmelite Spirituality Groups in Leeds and York. The Chapel will be open to visitors from 2.00 pm; pilgrims to gather there from 3.45 pm for Mass at 4.00 pm which will be celebrated by the Carmelite Prior Provincial, Fr Antony Lester OCarm. All are welcome. Contact: Mr Johan Bergström-Allen, Tel: (01904) 411521 for further details

5.00 pm Latin Mass followed by Rosary and Benediction at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

6.00 pm Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact Tel: (01642) 818203 for further details
6.00 pm Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

12 Tuesday
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm ASCENT Group, York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb in the Fr Kelly Room
8.30 pm The Knights of St Columba, Council 95, meet at the Council Chambers, English Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York

13 Wednesday
10.30 am The ASCENT Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hessle meet after the Morning Mass
10.30 am The ASCENT Group at St Leonard and St Mary, Malton will meet

2.30 pm Prayer Group (second Wednesday of month) at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New members welcome

16 Saturday
7.30 pm - 10.30 pm Irish Association meet at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

17 Sunday
2.30 pm Annual Diocesan Assumption Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley. 2.30 pm: Rosary, 3.00 pm: Concelebrated Mass. Principal Celebrant: Bishop Terry Draine. Car parking available; lifts up to the Chapel; refreshments available; bring suitable seating

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6.00 pm Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

19 Tuesday
7.00 pm - 9.00 pm HENS Hull and East Riding New Stitchers meet at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

20 Wednesday
8.00 pm The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet at St Joseph's RC Church, West Hull

21 Thursday
9.00 am - 12 noon Back Care Group - Line dancing - at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

24 Sunday
5.00 pm Latin Mass followed by Rosary and Benediction at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

6.00 pm Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

6.30 pm Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing at Sacred Heart Church, Linthorpe Road, Middlesbrough

27 Wednesday
12.45 pm - 3.00 pm ASCENT Group, York Central meets in the Upper Room at St Wilfrid's, York after the 12.10 pm Mass

7.00 pm - 9.00 pm ME and CFS Self-Help Group meets at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Tel: (01482) 342779 for further details

28 Thursday
7.30 pm - 9.00 pm The Pastoral Support Group for carers especially of people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact: Margaret Jones, Tel: (01642) 865668 for venue and other details

29 Friday
7.00 pm Medjugorje Prayer Group meets at The Endsleigh Pastoral Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Everyone welcome. Contact: Pat, Tel: (01482) 802483 for further details

31 Sunday
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11.00 am 'Pilgrimage Walk' from Richmond Castle to Easby Abbey in memory of the Richmond 16. Commences with a short liturgy in the Garden where there are 16 topiary pieces made up of green and golden yew trees, followed by a walk along the banks of the river (approx one mile), concluding with a picnic lunch. All welcome but notification of attendance must be given to the organisers in advance for a group booking for the Castle. Contact: Barbara Hungin, E-mail: bhungin@yahoo.co.uk or Margaret Blatchford, E-mail: marg@blatchford.name for further information and to book a place

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ADVANCE NOTICES:

8 September: 1.30 pm, The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley. 1.30 pm: Rosary, 2.00 pm: Holy Mass. All welcome. Contact: St Mary's Cathedral, Tel: (01642) 597750, Kath Gallagher, Tel: (01642) 850505 ext 258 or www.ladychapel.org.uk for further details

12-14 September: 'The Attentive Life' - a retreat led by Fr Kieran Monahan. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

17 September: 6.30 pm, 'Dignity In and Out of Work - Where do you stand?' Come and hear the experiences of people from our area living on low incomes and the impact this is having on them and their families at an event at the Middlesbrough Community Church, Clifton Street, Middlesbrough. Contact Tel: (01642) 614126 ext 210 or E-mail: mail@thrive-teesside.org.uk for further details or to book a place at this event

18 September: 10.30 am - 4.00 pm, 'Creative Journalling Day' led by Christine Dodd at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

19-21 September: 'Saint Paul' - a retreat led by Fr Henry Wansbrough. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

20 September: 10.30 am - 3.30 pm, Day of Reflection for CAFOD volunteers and supporters at Thicket Priory, Thorganby, near York, led by Canon Michael Ryan. The day is free, tea, coffee and fruit juice provided but please take own lunch. Concludes with Mass at 3.30 pm. Contact the CAFOD Middlesbrough Office, Tel: (01904) 671767 or E-mail: middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk to book a place

22-25 September: 'Listen to Saint Bede' - a retreat led by Fr Terence Richardson. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

23 September: 10.00 am - 4.00 pm, 'Pastoral Care in Bereavement' led by Rev Dr Keith Albans at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom

Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

24 September: 7.30 pm for 7.45 pm, The Cleveland Newman Circle presents a Talk by Lord Tom McNally entitled 'Politics in a multi-faith society' in the Cathedral Hall, St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough. Coffee at 7.30 pm. Contact: Terry Egerton, Tel: (01642) 645732 or E-mail: tpj.egerton@virgin.net for further details. All are welcome. Please note the new regular venue

30 September: 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm, 'Slate Gowns and Hoods: the Bar Convent Story' with Sr Patricia Harriss CJ at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

30 September: 6.30 pm - 9.00 pm, 'Traffik Free Zone: Combatting Human Trafficking in Middlesbrough' - Middlesbrough Diocesan Women's Commission Anti-Trafficking Event at The Trinity Centre, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough. Contact for faith groups: Cath Rowland, Tel: (01642) 813522 or E-mail: cath.rowland@ntlworld.com

5 October: 3.00 pm, CAFOD Harvest Service at St Charles Borromeo, Hull

11-12 October: Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Cost £75.00 per person. Contact: Kath Gallagher, Tel: (01642) 850505 ext 258 or E-mail: kathg@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk for further details and an application form (also downloadable from www.middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk)

11-12 October: 'Unity in Diversity' Conference & Pilgrimage marking the 1,350th anniversary of the Synod of Whitby and the death of St Cedd at Lastingham. Conference on 11 October, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm, at Clements Hall, York. Cost: £20.00 (£10.00 for those in full-time education) including lunch, coffee and tea. Pilgrimage on 12 October to Whitby and Lastingham. Contact: Rev Bill Snelson, E-mail: development@anglicancentre.it or visit www.anglicancentreinrome.org/york for further details

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