

Bishop's Column

Looking back over last month, I celebrated Mass at the John Paul Centre giving thanks for the ministry of the Redemptorist Congregation in the centre of Middlesbrough. St Alphonsus de Liguori took the theme of putting the Gospel into action very seriously. Tired out by his great missionary work, he went to rest in Scala on the Amalfi coast in Italy. However, when he was approached by groups of poor shepherds who lived in that area, asking to learn about the Word of God, he responded with holy zeal and total commitment. On November 9 1732, in his beloved Scala, St Alphonsus founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (the Redemptorists) to follow the example of our Saviour Jesus Christ announcing the Good News to the poor. He was 36 years old. His life became one of mission and service to the most abandoned. The Congregation was approved by Pope Benedict XIV on February 25 1749. And the rest is history, as they say.

We, in this diocese, have benefitted greatly from the spirit and ministry of so many sons of this wonderful family, the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, or as we know them, the Redemptorists. They responded to the request of the Bishop of the day and came to work in the John Paul Centre in Middlesbrough. So much fruitful ministry, kind support offered, so many words of consolation spoken, sacraments administered! Those in need always find a helping hand and the hungry, those lacking sustenance, both physical and spiritual, never turned away. What great work the Redemptorist Community has done here in Middlesbrough to the praise of almighty God, and the honour of our Blessed Mother of Perpetual Help and Succour, and how we have profited! On behalf of the diocese, in particular the Catholic Community of Middlesbrough and beyond, I offer heartfelt thanks. I know I can offer the thanks of people of faith and no faith who have been the grateful recipients of kindness and support given by and through the Redemptorist Community ministering at the John Paul Centre.

Here all can witness the Gospel in action; faith lived out each and every day. And the work has been so fruitful, by the grace of God and the intercession of Our Blessed Mother that the Redemptorists have planted even for the future. They leave behind a great legacy; volunteers and helpers particularly for the Upper Room Project. In the last few years, in order to use the facility for the general benefit of all they established the centre as a "Community Hub" with a group of local people with business and community experience as a management committee. This hub works in cooperation with the local authority and local ecumenical social action organisations. May the work prosper and grow to the glory of God and for the good of all.

Yours in blessed hope,

T. Long

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Catholic clergy and lay people from around the diocese were joined by members of the Church of England and Methodists at an ecumenical study day on responding to the challenge of Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato Si'*.

The event, at York's Central Methodist Church, enabled Christians of different denominations to examine the environmental crisis alongside concern for the poorest people of the world.

The encyclical has already had a considerable impact on Christians and others who are concerned with issues such as climate change, fair access to water, loss of biodiversity, global inequality, deforestation, soil degradation and pollution of the oceans.

In his document, Pope Francis offers a timely review of current scientific understanding, a theological consideration of creation, and proposes courses of action to promote the common good.

The day began with words of welcome from church leaders and an act of worship, before Reverend Chris Humble, Minister of York Central Methodist Church, welcomed participants to the historic venue.

Bishop Terry then spoke of Pope Francis as a figure who unites Christians to consider the most pressing issues of our time.

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Easter Schedule 2016

Holy Week, St Mary's Cathedral

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| Palm Sunday 20 March | | |
| 4.00 pm | | Saturday Vigil/Blessing of Palms (The Lady Chapel, Mount Grace) |
| 6.30 pm | | Saturday Vigil/Blessing of Palms |
| 8.45 am | | Mass (Osmotherley Village) |
| 10.00 am | | Mass/Blessing of Palms - with Bishop Terence |
| 5.00 pm | | Mass |
| Monday 21 March | | |
| 6.30 pm | | Mass |
| Tuesday 22 March | | |
| 12 noon | | Chrism Mass |
| 6.00 pm | | Children's Last Supper Service |
| Wednesday 23 March | | |
| 9.15 am | | Mass |
| 7.00 pm | | Deanery Reconciliation Service |
| Holy Thursday | | |
| 7.00 pm | | Mass of the Last Supper - with Bishop Terence |
| | | Watching until 10 pm ending with Night Prayer |
| Good Friday | | |
| 10.00 am | | Morning Prayer & Office of Readings |
| 10.00 am | | Stations of the Cross (Mount Grace - Meet at the bottom of the hill) |
| | | Solemn Passion - with Bishop Terence |
| Easter Saturday | | |
| 10.00 am | | Morning Prayer & Office of Readings |
| 8.00 pm | | Easter Vigil - with Bishop Terence |
| Easter Sunday | | |
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| 10.00 am | | Easter Day Mass - with Bishop Terence |
| 5.00 pm | | Easter Day Mass |

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A Christian Response To Climate Change

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Deacon Vince Purcell, Adult Formation and Evangelisation Adviser in Middlesbrough Diocese, explained how the study day had expanded from an initial collaboration last year between Catholic and Anglican clergy who wanted to study together Pope Francis' document *Evangelii Gaudium* (the Joy of the Gospel).

Key points from the Pope's encyclical were presented by David Clough, a Methodist Local Preacher who is a Professor of Theological Ethics and president of the Society for the Study of Christian Ethics.

Professor Clough spoke about the broad range of topics Pope Francis addresses in his ground-breaking document, which links together care for the environment with care for one another, especially the poor.

He described the encyclical as a powerful document that should startle Christians out of complacency when it comes to caring for the Earth.

"It was an excellent day," said Bishop Terry. "The environmental problem can seem overwhelming and we can wash our hands of it, but we all have a responsibility to care for our common home and that demands a personal conversion within each of us."

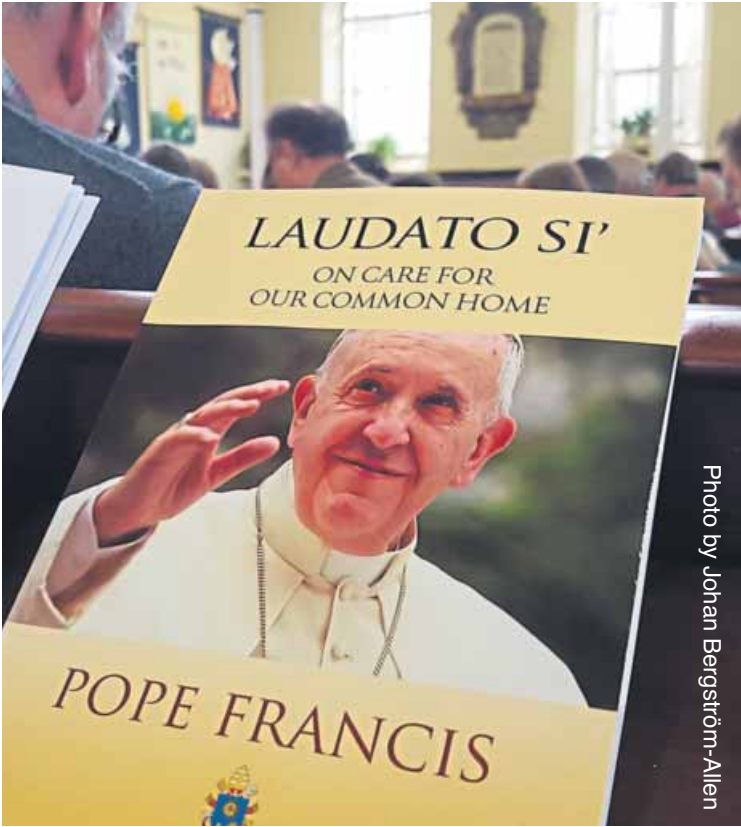
"Pope Francis uses graphic language, describing the earth as resembling an immense 'pile of filth'. When I visited Colombia with CAFOD a couple of years ago, we drove out from the nice modern city of Bogota to what looked like a moonscape because the oil companies have stripped everything for miles around. There's nothing left.

"We were then driven to the place where the poor people who used to live there had gone. The rains had washed away the little they had and it was heartbreaking to listen to their stories.

"The Pope will have seen similar situations and when he says the earth is crying out, it's because he's witnessed it for himself."

The day also featured expert speakers and small group sessions, where participants shared what their congregations are already doing in response to the ecological crisis.

Suggestions included an ecological audit of every church and religious group, fitting solar panels and water butts on church properties, using World Environment Day on June 5 as a chance to preach on the issues raised by Pope Francis and setting up parish car pools to share transport to church.



Canon Patrick with members of his family – Photo by Les Clark

A Warm Welcome For New Canon

The Very Reverend Patrick Hartnett has been installed to the Cathedral Chapter of Canons by Bishop Terry.

The ceremony opened with Canon Michael Bayldon, as Provost, welcoming everybody to the cathedral.

Canon Bayldon emphasised that a canon is appointed by the diocesan bishop after consultation with the Chapter and should be a priest who is of sound doctrine in life and exercises a praiseworthy ministry.

He reminded us that in the governance of our diocese, the Chapter acts as consultors for the Bishop.

He then asked Father Patrick to come onto the sanctuary, stand at the altar and make his Profession of Faith. He was led to his Chapter chair by Canon John Lumley.

Bishop Terry then welcomed the new Canon and everybody for the celebration of Mass. In his homily, the Bishop spoke of sin and repentance, particularly in this Year of Mercy. One of the stand out phrases was "your sins can be deep scarlet but they can be washed as white as the driven snow".

The children of St Thérèse of Lisieux Primary School, where Canon Hartnett is the parish priest, led the bidding prayers. His sister and brother presented the offertory gifts to the Bishop.

In his final comments, the Bishop again welcomed Patrick to the Chapter of Canons and thanked everyone for coming to the ceremony. The service ended with the singing of *Salve Regina*.

Jim Whiston

Putting Mercy Into Practice

The Holy Year of Mercy began on December 8, the Feast of Our Lady's Immaculate Conception.

Pope Francis blessed "holy doors" in Rome to mark the occasion and asked all the bishops of the world to designate a holy door in their cathedrals and other selected churches.

But what exactly do we mean by "mercy"? The dictionary definition is, "Compassion or forgiveness shown to a person or enemy". So, how can we best participate during this Holy Year? One very meaningful and powerful way would be to familiarise ourselves with both the corporal and spiritual works of mercy and try, where possible, to put them into practice during our daily lives.

The Church recognises seven corporal works and seven spiritual works of mercy. The corporal works are...

1. To feed the hungry
2. To give drink to the thirsty
3. To clothe the naked
4. To help the homeless
5. To visit the sick
6. To ransom the captive and
7. To bury the dead

The spiritual works of mercy are

1. To instruct the ignorant
2. To counsel the doubtful
3. To admonish sinners
4. To bear wrongs patiently
5. To forgive offences willingly

6. To comfort the afflicted and
7. To pray for the living and the dead

If we can perform only one or two of these works, we will be involved in a very personal way with the thinking of Pope Francis, enlightened by the Holy Spirit.

For Francis says: "Let us pass through the Holy Door of Mercy, knowing that at our side is the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Mother of God, who intercedes for us. Let us allow her to lead us to the rediscovery of the beauty of an encounter with her son, Jesus. Let us open wide the doors of our heart to the joy of forgiveness, conscious that we have been given new confidence and hope, and thus make our daily lives a humble instrument of God's love."

The uplifting words of the prayer of St Francis, the Holy Father's patron, are perfect for this Year of Mercy:

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is discord, union;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;
For your mercy and truth's sake.*

Amen

Patrick Mitchell, parishioner of St Mary's, Filey

Ged's Quick Quiz

With TV quiz champion Ged Askins

Connection questions

1. With which pop group did Beyoncé Knowles first find fame?
2. Which BBC children's television series mixing live action and animation and featuring a partially-sighted young girl in the title role was designed to introduce young children to classical music?
3. Which single was Christmas number one in the UK in 1975 and 1991, the only record to achieve the feat twice?
4. Which internet dating service has provided TV adverts where a person's perfect partner turns out to be a camel, a popcorn machine or a hairdryer?
5. What links *Prague*, *Jupiter*, *Paris*, *The Hague* and *Haffner*?

Thinking cap question

Which three English kings were from the House of Lancaster?

Opening Doors In The North East

After the desperate scenes in the media last summer, many of us have been moved to do what we can to help Syrians and people from other nations who are seeking sanctuary in Europe. Many people, including some on Teesside, have offered a spare room to house those fleeing.

Open Door North East has been responding with a heart of compassion for more than 10 years to those seeking asylum in this region and we're delighted to have appointed a Hosting Coordinator to match hosts with suitable clients and reduce the devastating effect of homelessness on those seeking refuge.

For some seeking asylum the process, although far from straightforward, is completed relatively quickly. They are put into accommodation until their case is heard and then granted refugee status and can truly begin their life in the UK with the ability to work, put down roots and start afresh without fear of persecution or war.

Sadly, though, the path to sanctuary can be difficult and too many people are refused the right to remain in the UK. To compound this, while they gather fresh evidence to make their case again, they are refused the right to be supported and, as they are not permitted to work, can find themselves destitute. They are forced to sleep rough, sofa surf or ask for help from charities such as Open Door.

For many years, Open Door has housed destitute asylum seekers in a variety of ways. Some homes have been gifted to the charity, others are rented or managed on behalf of a landlord and we also work with a local housing association. While they are housed with us, clients make a fresh claim

and apply for their support to be reinstated.

Open Door has been able to offer rooms with a host family to people in desperate need and as we have received more offers, we are beginning to formalise this provision. But there is still a significant need for more hosts to come forward, particularly those who are willing to house a man.

One host said: "We were a little nervous and had lots of questions, but we really wanted to welcome someone into our home who had nowhere else to turn. Having Anna from Open Door to guide us through the process has been really helpful."

So what does a host need to be able to provide? Every host must have a spare bedroom that they are willing to give for a minimum of two weeks. In addition, our clients will need a friendly welcome and to be able to store and cook food, as well as access to laundry and bathroom facilities.

Frances said of her host home: "It's a long time since I have felt I belonged anywhere and I feel so much better. I can concentrate on my case without worrying about where I will sleep and I feel less tense and more positive about the future. I didn't realise how lonely and sad I felt without a sense of belonging, but now I have been welcomed into a home. The feeling is priceless."

If hosting is not for you, there are many other ways you can support Open Door, such as giving your prayers, time or money. Please email info@opendoornortheast.com if you would like to help with our work.

Anna Lewis



Trinity Students Grow Seeds From Space

Four Trinity Catholic College students are preparing to become space biologists and embark on a voyage of discovery by growing seeds that have been into space. The year ten students are Khadijah Nasleem, Francesca Di Cicco, Emma Willis and Aleksandra Slawinska.

Two kilogrammes of rocket seeds were flown to the International Space Station (ISS) on Soyuz 44S and spent several months in microgravity before returning to Earth in March. The seeds were sent as part of Rocket Science, an educational project launched by the Royal Horticultural Society Campaign for School Gardening and the UK Space Agency.

The Middlesbrough college is one of up to 10,000 schools receiving a packet of 100 seeds from space, which they will grow alongside normal seeds to measure the differences over seven weeks. The students won't know which packet contains which seeds until all results have been collected and analysed by professional biostatisticians.

The nationwide science experiment will enable the students to think more about how we could preserve human life on another planet in the future, what astronauts need to survive long-term missions in space and the difficulties surrounding growing fresh food in challenging climates.

Science teacher Aimee Jones says: "We're very excited to be taking part in Rocket Science. This experiment is a fantastic way of teaching our students to think more scientifically and share their findings with the whole community. Hopefully this project will encourage students to become inspired to find out more about STEM careers, plant science and the space industry as a whole."

Rocket Science is part of a programme developed by the UK Space Agency to celebrate British ESA astronaut Tim Peake's Principia mission to the ISS and inspire young people to look into careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) subjects, including horticulture.

Hull Day Of Devotions Is English First

A day of devotions to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary is to take place in Hull, the first time the Two Hearts Reparation Prayer Vigil has been held in England. The programme includes praying the rosary with scripture and the Office of Angels, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and

Divine Mercy. The vigil is at St Charles Borromeo Church in Jarratt Street on Saturday April 16 and is provisionally timed for 10am to 3.30pm. For further information see parish noticeboards or contact Judith Miller at j.miller7073@gmail.com or phone 07570799986.

Storey Lecture's Environmental Topic

Award-winning novelist, musician, naturalist and conservationist Jonathan Tulloch is the speaker at this year's Anthony Storey Memorial Lecture.

Jonathan writes the Glimpses of Eden nature column in *The Tablet* and has published seven novels, including two for children. He is a Royal Literary Fellow of Teesside University, has broadcast on television and radio and plays in a ceilidh band.

Following the publication of *Laudato Si'*, we were keen to have an environmental theme for this year's lecture. This mirrors Father Storey's love of nature, his relationship with the natural world, his passionate planting of trees in Yorkshire and Scotland and his extensive knowledge of plants and birds.

The lecture takes place at Staff House, University of Hull, Cottingham Road, Hull, HU6 7RX on Saturday May 14 and has the theme "The Call of the Wild, following the trail".

Tea and Coffee is served from 10.30am, with the lecture beginning at 11am. All are very welcome.

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STOOD, WEeping, OUTSIDE, TOMB, LADY, THINKING, GARDENER, TAKEN, LAID, SAID, HEBREW, ROBBONI

Easter Sunday

March 27

Mary Magdalene stood weeping outside the tomb. Jesus said to her, “Lady, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?” Thinking he was a gardener, she replied, “Sir, if you have taken him away, tell me where you have laid him!” Jesus said, “Mary” and she turned to him and replied in Hebrew, “Rabboni!” which means “Teacher”.



IN BRIEF

Focus On Indian Catholics

The History of Christianity in India is this month’s Cleveland Newman Circle topic, with Doctor Dominic Rajkumar focusing his talk on the Syro-Malabar rite. The meeting is at St Mary’s Cathedral Hall, Middlesbrough TS8 oTW on Wednesday April 20 at 7.45pm, with coffee and tea from 7.30pm. All are welcome, email tpj.egerton@virgin.net or call 01642 645732 for details.

CWL Meet In Cottingham

The Catholic Women's League’s national president will attend the diocesan Annual General Meeting on Saturday April 9 at Holy Cross, Cottingham. Mass is at 11.30am.

Conference Asks ‘Who Cares?’

Ryedale Christian Council has organised a day conference on Christian care in the community on Saturday April 16. “Who Cares?” will offer practical help and answer questions on how we can help each other and ourselves. Workshops include end-of-life care, mental health and dementia. The keynote speaker is the Anglican Bishop of Carlisle, James Newcombe. The conference costs £15 and is at Alban Roe House, Ampleforth Abbey, from 9.30am to 4pm. Bring a packed lunch. To book, visit www.ryedalechristiancouncil.org.uk or call Mike Gray on 01751 431338.



Work continues to progress on the church of St Thérèse of Lisieux in Ingleby Barwick. Canon Patrick Hartnett blessed the cross before it was lifted into position above the main entrance doors. One of the contractors working on the site said: “It brought a good feeling to the project, reminding us all of the true purpose of the job.” The site had suffered from high winds and extreme cold all week, but the wind dropped and the sun shone to allow the crane to lift the cross into position.

Farewell To Loyal Irene

After 26 years of dedicated, loyal service as school secretary at St Aelred’s Primary School in Tang Hall, York, Irene Shanks has finally taken her last phone call, tended to her last poorly knee and closed the office door behind her.



The children, staff, parents and parishioners celebrated Irene’s wonderful contribution during a celebration assembly in school. The children recalled their fondest memories of her, including a year four pupil who said: “I’ll always hold her in my heart.” Irene’s husband, Jim, daughter, Claire, and son, David, were also present as Derek Sutherland said she had contributed in such a special way to the life of the school, seeing several generations of families pass through its doors over the years. Members of Friends of St Aelred’s (FOSTA), represented by the chair, Trish Thompson, presented Irene with gifts on behalf of the parents and children and thanked her for her dedication. Although Irene has retired she will continue to serve the community through her work for the HCPT and as a school governor. She will be sorely missed by everyone in school and we all wish her the very best in her retirement.

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Warm Tributes Paid To Devoted Caretaker Stan

Warm tributes have been paid to a dedicated and much-loved caretaker who died just three weeks after his retirement.

Stan Flanigan's legacy to the children of St Margaret Clitherow's Primary Academy in South Bank, Middlesbrough, includes a beautiful prayer garden and a hand-crafted altar. A St Margaret's school uniform was draped on Mr Flanigan's coffin for his funeral service at a packed St Peter's Church in South Bank.

"The number of people who came to the funeral was a reflection of the impact he had on so many people," said headteacher Nicky Jamalizadeh. "He touched so many lives in ways you wouldn't even imagine. Our choir sang at the funeral and were such a credit to the school. Their voices really were like the voices of angels."

Canon Eddie Gubbins celebrated the Requiem Mass. Teacher Rochelle Nestor led the choir and Stephen Terry and Chris Nixon played the piano. A collective worship was later held to enable all the pupils to pray for Mr Flanigan. It focused on the third Beatitude, "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth".

"That was perfect for Mr Flanigan because he didn't have to tell anyone what he was doing, he just got on with it," added Mrs Jamalizadeh. "He cared for the children so much that his main priority was to make sure the families at St Margaret's were looked after and safe. His loss is devastating for our school community and he will be missed terribly by all of us."

Mr Flanigan, who lived close to the school, leaves behind a widow, Helen, and a large extended family including nephews and nieces.



Mayor's Award For St Mary's

Six children from St Mary's Primary School attended Richmond Town Hall to accept an Investor in Richmond Award from Mayor Councillor Clive World on behalf of the school.

The award is given to people and groups who make the town a better place each year. The school was praised for its involvement in the local community, charity work and meeting a former soldier to hear about his World War II experiences. Headteacher Jill Collins and deputy headteacher Katie Whitehead also attended the presentation.



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Dispelling Some Myths About Evangelisation

Do Evangelisers Need Any 'Qualifications'?

In recent months I've been exploring some of the "myths" about evangelisation that I keep coming across in my work. One of the most frequent and, I think, one of the most disabling ideas I've encountered is that you need some sort of qualification to be able to evangelise with confidence.

I think it's fair to say that many Catholics do feel at a disadvantage here. Many say they do not know enough about the faith to be able to explain it fully to others – perhaps they also feel that they need official "approval" before speaking, in case they fall into some kind of heresy!

Now, obviously, ongoing formation and education is a great way for all of us to deepen the practice and understanding of our faith and there are many opportunities to take part in such formation. Any apparent shortcoming in that area, however, should never be an excuse for anyone not to evangelise, because each of us has been created by God to give witness.

This point was made forcibly by Pope Paul VI more than 40 years ago in a document called *Evangelii Nuntiandi: Evangelisation in the Modern World* (yes, the world was modern back in 1975!) In this truly essential document, the Holy Father wrote that, "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses."

None of us, then, should feel that we need to have a teaching qualification in order to make

the faith known and loved! Each of us has been equipped in and through our Baptism for exactly the kind of witness spoken about by Pope Paul. And each of us can continue to be strengthened by growing in virtue and taking part in the sacramental life of the Church in order to give this witness better each day.

The Second Vatican Council, when speaking about the significant role of lay people in the life of the Church, emphasised that, "The witness of a Christian life and good works done in a supernatural spirit has great power to draw men to the faith and to God", and more recently Pope Francis has also spoken about this power of "attraction".

Elsewhere in this edition, you can read about the joyful celebration of the Rite of Election, which marked the beginning of the final preparation of those being received into the Church at Easter. I suspect very few of these people will have been attracted to the Church through a lecture series or a course of instruction. It's far more likely they will have come into contact with the Church through the loving and faithful witness of an individual who would never think of himself or herself as being "qualified" for this in any way. So let us never underestimate our ability to be an evangeliser – someone, that is, who is ready, willing and able to pass on to others the good news of Jesus Christ.

Deacon Vince Purcell, Diocesan Adviser for Adult Formation and Evangelisation

Evangelisation In The Modern World

Technology moves quickly these days, with more computing power in a modern smartphone than was available to NASA when they put men on the moon. St Joseph's Pickering last redesigned its website about ten years ago but it looked dated and a decision was made to have it completely recreated by a firm of professional website designers.

After all, the internet is the first thing that comes to mind whenever people need any information these days – and this is likely to be as true for matters of faith as it is for home or car insurance!

We realised a new website could be an important part of the way we reach out to the local community, so we applied for a grant through the Parish Evangelisation Fund. We

were able to link this to a more traditional way of spreading the word, by printing and distributing Christmas greetings to all households in the area. We feel it is important to make our presence felt in both the real and the virtual world.

Bringing the technology up to date has encouraged us to keep the information fresh too. On the old website the only news seemed to be the last confirmation – or the one before that! Now we update our news page at least once a week, making it the best place to find out about the many wonderful social, liturgical, evangelistic and catechetical developments at St Joseph's. Visit www.stjpickering.org to check out the new site for yourself.

Father Bill East

MAP Points The Way

One of the inspiring aspects of a visit to the John Paul Centre is seeing various local charities providing vital local services with a great sense of purpose. They are based there thanks to the generosity of Bishop Terry and the diocese.

One such charity is MAP (Methodist Asylum Project), which provides free services to asylum seekers and refugees living in Middlesbrough. This work complements the activities of Investing in People and Culture, also based at the John Paul Centre.

Among the range of services MAP provides is a "Welcome to Middlesbrough" session to help refugees and asylum seekers find their way around the town and "Come and Chat" sessions to encourage speaking English. There is the Avenue Drop-In on Wednesdays, at which donated clothing and household goods are available for those in need, games, singing and keep fit sessions and plans for health and wellbeing support. Such is the success of the project that many refugees are now highly capable MAP volunteers.

Project manager Ailsa Adamson says: "It's been really great having a central Middlesbrough base and a space we can use for new activities. It's allowed us to try new things, like the Chess Club we've started on a Thursday afternoon, and an introduction to computers class, delivered by one of our asylum-seeker

volunteers. We feel very lucky to be here."

A Methodist project based at a Catholic community hub and pastoral centre is a typical response to the growing ecumenical social action in Middlesbrough and is part of the Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland programme that's winning plaudits nationally for its ability to reach out to local communities.

In his biography of John Wesley, Stephen Tompkins concludes: "Methodism brought new spiritual life to tens of thousands, offering inspiration, hope, comfort and strength; it fed the hungry, clothed the ragged, healed the sick and employed the destitute...it gave voice and self-confidence to ordinary people; it valued women...It was balm in a cruel century. 'This love of God and all mankind we believe to be the medicine of life,' Wesley said." That spirit and sense of purpose continues in the comprehensive programme offered by MAP at the John Paul Centre.

If you'd like to know more about MAP's work, there's a presentation with food and refreshments at the University of Teesside from 5.30pm to 7.30pm on Monday April 11. Contact Ailsa Adamson on 07970192841 or mapmbro@gmail.com or John Hinman on 01642 700075 or email jnhinman@gmail.com to book a place.

Ailsa Adamson and John Hinman, MAP



A rest and reflection following MAP's summer walk to Captain Cook's Monument and visit to Stokesley Parish Church



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Interviews: Thursday 21 April 2016

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Caring Paul's A Teesside Hero!

Paul Griffiths always has other people in mind. He was even thinking of others when he finally stood down after ten years helping to lead the organisation of Middlesbrough Diocese's annual pilgrimage to Lourdes.

"The reason I stood down was because it is the best job in the world," said Paul. "And I felt other people deserved a chance to do it."

Now the owner of a long-established Teesside engineering firm has been recognised for his commitment to charities, young people and the Church with a Teesside Heroes Award.

Described as "a huge supporter of all things Middlesbrough", Paul has been to Lourdes for each of the last 26 years, a constant part of a loyal team of brancardiers.

Having been introduced to Lourdes by his wife Theresa's uncle, the late Tommy Waterson, Paul was Head Brancardier for 10 years before

stepping down in 2007 but he continues to play a key role.

He said: "It's all about helping people to do what they can't do themselves, particularly helping people get there, some of whom are very sick. In my job in engineering we deal with machines that are impersonal. Lourdes couldn't be more different. It opened up another world for me. It has a wow factor.

"People say being the Head Branc is hard work but it was really easy because you're leading a group of men who are totally committed to the cause, while working alongside nurses and clergy who are equally committed.

"Of course, you do put a lot of work into the planning and organising, but I've been lucky to have the support of my family and other good people."

Paul, 66, services equipment and wheelchairs

through his engineering company, IMH, which also supplies a van and funds its return journey.

IMH also supports Middlesbrough Youth Mission Team's annual Little BIG Assembly, which travels all over Teesside and beyond, working with more than 2,000 young people in a week.

Wife Theresa and son James attended a meeting of the Catenians when Paul received his Teesside Heroes Award from friend Barney Ord in his role as a patron of charitable movement, Middlesbrough and Teesside Philanthropic Foundation.

Paul, who received £1,000 for a local good cause of his choice, was nominated for the award by Father Paul Farrer.



Paul Griffiths and his wife Theresa (front centre) celebrate the Teesside Heroes Award with friends

Sung Vespers At St Mary's

In addition to our sung celebration of Vespers with Benediction each Wednesday during term time, we welcome you to join us at Middlesbrough Cathedral for sung Vespers with the senior girl choristers at 4.30pm on the following fourth Sundays of the month...

Sunday April 24

Sunday May 22

Sunday June 26

Sunday September 25

Sunday October 23

Sunday November 27

These beautiful short services of evening prayer are preceded by a ten-minute programme of organ music performed by our visiting organists and followed by Mass at 5pm.



2017 DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE PIETRELCINA & ASSISI EXPERIENCE

In June 2017, (5'9) Bishop Terence will lead a diocesan pilgrimage – a second to Italy, this time we will follow 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 all 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 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 just a taster of the many 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, would you please email:

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Easter Mass Times

Bridlington Our Lady & St Peter

Maundy Thursday
9.15am Office of Readings
6.15-6.45pm Confessions
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
watching until 10.00pm

Good Friday
9.15am Office of Readings
10.00-10.30am & 2.00-2.45pm Confessions
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion
7.00pm Stations & Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross

Holy Saturday
9.15am Office of Readings
10.00-10.45am Confessions
11.00am Blessing of Polish Foodstuffs
6.30pm Vigil and First Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday
8.30am Mass
10.30am Mass

Hull Our Lady of Lourdes & St Peter Chapel

Maundy Thursday
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Watching until 10.30 p.m.

Good Friday
9.30am Way of the Cross for Children and Parents
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion
7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday
8.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.00am Easter Day Mass

Easter Monday
12.00 noon Mass of Monday in Easter Week.

Lealholm, Egton Bridge & Ugthorpe

Our Lady, Lealholm
St Hedda, Egton Bridge
St Anne, Ugthorpe

Palm Sunday
6.30pm (Saturday) Vigil - Lealholm
9.30am Mass: Egton Bridge
11.00am Mass: Ugthorpe

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Last Supper and watch until 9.00pm: Egton Bridge

Good Friday
9.00am Stations of the Cross: Lealholm
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion: Egton Bridge
5.00pm Stations of the Cross: Ugthorpe

Holy Saturday
7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass: Lealholm

Easter Day:
9.30am Mass: Egton Bridge
11.00am Mass: Ugthorpe

Hull St Charles Borromeo

Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
watching until 10.00pm

Good Friday
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday
6.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.00am Mass
6.30pm Mass

Easingwold St John the Evangelist

Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by watching at the altar of Repose until 11.00pm

Good Friday
9.30 am Morning Prayer
11.00am Stations of the Cross
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
9.30am Morning Prayer
11.45am Rosary
12 Noon Confessions & Reconciliation
9.00pm Solemn Mass of the Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.30am Family Sung Mass

Hull St Anthony & Our Lady of Mercy

Holy Thursday
6.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
7.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.00am Easter Mass

Kirkbymoorside Our Lady & St Chad with Helmsley - St Mary's

Helmsley

Palm Sunday
9.00am Mass

Good Friday
10.15am Ecumenical witness

Easter Sunday
9.00am Mass

Kirkbymoorside

Palm Sunday
10.30am Mass

Holy Thursday
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by watching till 10.00pm

Good Friday
11.00am Ecumenical Witness
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy

Holy Saturday
8.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.30am Mass

Acklam & Brookfield St Francis & St Clare

St Francis

Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and watching before the Blessed Sacrament until 9.00pm

Good Friday
3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
6.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.45am Mass

St Clare

Maundy Thursday
9.30am Children's Mass

Good Friday
11.00am United Service with Churches Together in Brookfield

Easter Sunday
9.15am Mass

Hessle Our Lady of Lourdes

Holy Thursday
10.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
10.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
11.00am Stations of the Cross for Children
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7.00pm Reflection on the Passion

Holy Saturday
9.30am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
8.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
8.30am Mass
10.30am Mass
5.30pm Mass

West Hull Parishes

The Parishes of
**Corpus Christi
St Joseph
St Wilfrid**

Maundy Thursday
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, St Wilfrid's

Good Friday
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, St Wilfrid's

Holy Saturday
10.00am Office of Reading & Morning Prayer, St Joseph's
8.00pm Easter Vigil Mass St Wilfrid's

Easter Sunday
9.30am Mass, Corpus Christi
11.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Market Weighton and Holme-Upon-Spalding-Moor

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Market Weighton

Maundy Thursday
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

Good Friday
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
6.30pm Easter Vigil and first Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday
10.30am Mass

St. John the Baptist, Holme-Upon-Spalding-Moor

Easter Sunday
6.00pm Mass

Wishing everyone the Joys and Blessings of Easter...
From Everyone at the Middlesbrough Voice, CathCom
and the Parishes around the Diocese

He is Risen Alleluia!!

Marske St Bede

Holy Thursday
7.00pm (Watching until 9.00pm)

Good Friday
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Saturday
7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday
9.30am Mass
6.00pm Mass

Malton St Leonard & St Mary's

Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
10.45am United Service in Malton Market Place
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday
11.00am Blessing of Easter Baskets (Polish Community)
8.00pm Vigil Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday
9.30am Mass of Easter Day

Middlesbrough St Joseph St Thomas More

Maundy Thursday
6.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Joseph's (Watching until 10.00pm)

Good Friday
3.00pm The Lord's Passion - St. Joseph's

Holy Saturday
8.00pm The Easter Vigil - St. Joseph's

Easter Sunday
9.00am Mass
- St. Thomas More's
10.30am Mass
- St. Joseph's

Pickering - St Joseph's

Holy Thursday
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

Holy Saturday
8.30pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Day
8.30am Mass
11.00am Mass

Scarborough Churches

**St Joseph
St Peter
St Edward**

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - St Joseph's - followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 11.00pm
8.15pm Confessions at St Joseph's

Good Friday
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St Peter's
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St Joseph's
Confessions follow each Liturgy at 4.15pm

Holy Saturday
9.30 - 10.30am Confessions at St Peter's
8.00pm EASTER VIGIL ~ First Mass of Easter at St Joseph's

Easter Sunday
8.30am Easter Mass at St Edward's
10.00am Easter Mass at St Joseph's
11.30am Easter Mass at St Peter's
5.00pm Easter Mass at St Peter's

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Redcar Blessed Nicholas Postgate Parish Sacred Heart and St Augustine

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Augustine's Church followed by Watch of the Passion until midnight

Good Friday
9.30am Office of Readings and Morning Prayer in St Augustine's Church
10.00am Stations of the Cross for Children at St Augustine's Church
3.00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in Sacred Heart Church
7.00pm Ancient Service for the Burial of Christ in St Augustine's Church

Holy Saturday
9.30am Office of Readings and Morning Prayer in Sacred Heart Church
8.00pm Easter Vigil in St Augustine's Church

Easter Day
9.00am Mass at Sacred Heart Church
11.00am Mass at St Augustine's Church

Sacred Heart Church:
Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

St Augustine's Church:
Warwick Road, Redcar, TS10 2ER

Saltburn - Our Lady of Lourdes

Palm Sunday
6.00pm (Saturday) Mass; 10.30am (Sunday) Palms blessed and distributed at all Masses
Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

Good Friday
10.00am Children's Way of the Cross
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday
10.30am Mass

Teesville

St Andrew, St Anne & St Peter

Monday 21st March
9.15am Mass (St Andrew's)
6.00pm Confessions (St Andrew's)

Tuesday 22nd March
9.15am Mass (St Andrew's)
6.00pm First Confessions (St Andrew's)

Wednesday 23rd March
9.15am Mass (St Anne's)
followed by Confession until 10.30 am
6.30pm Mass of Anointing (St Andrew's)

Holy Thursday
7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (St Andrew's) followed by watching before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour

Good Friday
9.00am Stations of the Cross (St Peter's) followed by Confession until 10.00am
10.30am Stations of the Cross (St Anne's) followed by Confession until 11.30am
12 noon Ecumenical Walk of Witness at Tesco Car Park South Bank
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (St Andrew's)
7-7.30pm Stations, Prayer around the Cross & Private meditation

Holy Saturday
7.30pm "The Easter Vigil" (St Andrew's)
11.00pm Tamil Community Easter Mass

Easter Sunday
9.30am Easter Day Mass (St Andrew's)
11.00am Easter Day Mass (St Anne's)
12.15pm Easter Day Mass (St Peter's)
Easter Drinks & Nibbles after Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Masses

York - St George's

Palm Sunday
10.30am Mass with Children's Procession

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching until 11.00pm

Good Friday
12.00 Noon Stations of the Cross
3.00pm Celebration of the Passion and Death of the Lord

Holy Saturday
8.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.30am Mass of the Resurrection

York St Wilfrid

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of Lord's Supper - followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 11.45pm - followed by Compline.

Good Friday
11.00am Children's Stations
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6.30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday
9.00pm Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter
(NB No Mass at 6.15pm)

Easter Sunday
8.30am, 10.30am & 12.00pm Mass
6.00pm Solemn Vespers and Benediction
For other services visit our website
www.stwilfridsyork.org.uk

York English Martyrs

Tuesday of Holy Week
7.00pm Reflections on the Passion - Teen Liturgy Group

Maundy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
3.00pm The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday
7.00pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
10.30am Mass of Easter Morning

York Our Lady

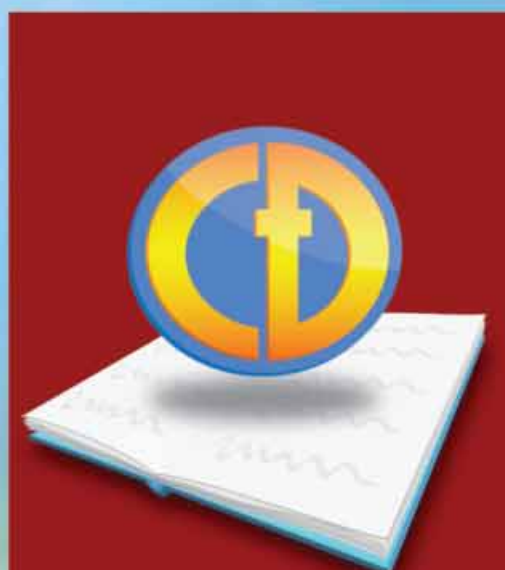
Wednesday of Holy Week
7.00pm Parish Reconciliation Service

Holy Thursday
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday
8.00pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
9.30am & 5.00pm Mass of the Resurrection



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NEWS

Thank You For Your Lenten Efforts

As Easter begins, I'd like to say a joyful thank you to our wonderful supporters and volunteers for all they have given to CAFOD during the Lenten season.

This included speaking at Mass, handing out and collecting envelopes, counting and banking proceeds and sending donations to CAFOD in London, making soup and hosting parish lunches and so many other activities undertaken in our parishes and schools.

You have helped transform the lives of some of the poorest people on earth by your kind generosity and will help even more in the coming months by bringing the possibility of clean, safe drinking water to remote

communities in Uganda, Zimbabwe and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The benefits of having access to clean water in a community cannot be underestimated, as you heard through Proscovia's story, which we shared with you during Lent. In some communities 36% of people don't have access to clean drinking water and 46% don't have safe sanitation facilities. The help you gave will bring about a great transformation.

My colleague Joseph Munywoki, project officer with CAFOD East Africa, said on Lent Fast Day: "I want to say we are very grateful for the support we are getting. Please continue to support CAFOD. If we are able to get this

funding it would help us to reach out to other communities and on behalf of them I want to thank you and God bless you."

Seeking New Volunteers In Your Area

Do you have a few hours to spare? Would you be interested in joining our team of volunteers to help us organise parish activities, support our office work and visit schools?

We're trying to establish teams in every parish in the diocese to undertake promotional work, sharing information with your communities and organising fundraising activities. We also need people to visit the many schools in our diocese, to share our work with children and young people. The work is interesting and very rewarding and full training is available.

Bernadette, a retired primary teacher who has just completed her training as a school volunteer, said: "I really enjoyed the training days. The content was very good and it was nice to meet volunteers from other dioceses. I

will certainly recommend it to my friends."

Advocacy and campaigning are a large focus of our work. If you'd like to help in this way, you could consider becoming an MP correspondent, writing to your MP several times a year on issues that are having an adverse effect on the communities we work with overseas. You will receive an information pack and an invitation to attend our annual parliamentary reception in Westminster.

We are also looking for media volunteers who are IT literate and can share our work through various social media platforms. Again, full training will be given. If you would like to be part of our team in the diocese, just get in touch. Email middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk or call 01904 671767 or 07779 804253.

Wishing you all the joys of the Risen Lord!

Carol Cross,
Community Participation Coordinator



Parishioners from St Clare's in Middlesbrough holding a hunger lunch during Lent

Historic Occasion In Hovingham



Bishop Terry with Catenian brothers and their wives after Mass in Hovingham's Anglican Church

History was made in Hovingham on the Feast of the Presentation when Bishop Terry celebrated the first Mass in the Roman Rite in the town's Anglican Church since the Reformation.

The Reverend Martin Allwood, Rector, and Archbishop Sentamu of York kindly gave permission for the Ampleforth and District Catenians to hold the February Provincial Quarterly Mass in All Saints Church.

It was attended by more than 50 brothers and their wives from 11 different circles, representing five different dioceses, with a

further 35 non-Catenian Catholics, Anglicans and Methodists from local parishes.

The Ampleforth area has a well-established tradition, begun by Abbot Basil Hume OSB, of sharing services with other local denominations. Two years ago, Reverend Sue Bond, the Rector of the neighbouring Anglican Benefice, invited local Catholic parishes to hold a similar historic Mass at Stonegrave Minster, just a mile up the road, and gave the homily. Ampleforth Catenians' Chaplain, Father Tim Bywater of Malton, is the Diocesan Ecumenical Officer.

Christopher Wilding

Memories Of Father Gerald

Following on from last month's article about Canon Patrick Bluett, RICHARD HARRISON, from Teesdale, thinks he also recognises his uncle, Father Gerald Harrison, as the priest on the right of the mystery picture sent in by a Voice reader...

I believe the priest could be the Hull-born Marist, Father Gerald Harrison, who was born in 1911 and died on February 3 1978, aged 66. One of the very first boys to be moved to the new Marist College, Hull, when it opened, Father Gerald was ordained by the Bishop of Plymouth at the Church of The Sacred Heart, Paignton, Devon, in June 1936. He became a padre in the RAF.

After losing a lung, he spent time in a hospital or sanatorium at Poole, Dorset. That area was of great importance to the English Marists, having settled there when returning to England from France.

From what I guess would be the late 1940s or early 1950s, Gerald was living in the Marist



community at the Holy Name Of Mary in The Avenue, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough.

Being right or wrong is not really that important. What was wonderful was putting time into remembering, looking out old photographs and thinking about my father's eldest brother, who incidentally was the celebrant at my wedding.

A Lesson From Mama Maggie

Francis Hannaway, from St Gabriel's Parish, Ormesby, in Middlesbrough, lives and works in Basankusu Diocese, in the Democratic Republic of Congo. He is a lay missionary with Mill Hill Missionaries. This month Francis gets help with his nutrition project.

Mama Maggie, a tall, elegant, youthful-looking mother of four and grandmother of five, went with me to our nutrition centre, four kilometres from our house.

She had recently been appointed to work at our local Catholic hospital and has 12 years' experience running a supplementary feeding project in a village about 25 kilometres downriver from Basankusu.

"Just come along to see what we're doing," I said, "and say hello to everyone."

We arrived just as the children were having their first milk of the day. Sitting on the floor, they sipped from pink plastic cups or held the still-hot milk on dessert spoons before swallowing it down. Maggie greeted everyone and started to speak.

"I'm very pleased to see this fantastic work that you're doing," she began. "I can see the children are being well cared for. There's a lot of love here."

To my surprise the volunteers broke into spontaneous applause. My heart raced. "This is great," I thought. "The volunteers are eager to hear what Maggie can bring to them. The visit is a success before it's even started."

I started showing Maggie around the small

house which serves as our centre. The volunteers followed her to the doorway.

"We're going to plant soya beans in the garden," one helper said.

"No, you are not," replied Maggie. "You do enough already! When the mothers arrive each morning, don't sit them down – give them machetes and get them clearing the garden! When they've done that, then they can feed their children. After that they can start to plant soya beans and green vegetables. Each morning when they arrive they can go and fetch water, then they can go around the garden and water their plants...only then can they go to feed their children."

She was on a roll, she had them hooked...I watched the helpers' heads nod gently up and down in agreement as she spoke.

"Every mother that comes along should bring firewood with her, each one, each one, each one...two sticks, two sticks, two sticks...each mother has come because she's worried about her child, so bringing firewood can be her contribution. After that, they can go and draw water from the well and put it in a pan on the fire to boil so you'll be ready to cook. Then..." she continued without drawing breath – the helpers' eyes still fixed on her as she became more animated – "before the children are fed, give the mothers some education."

Giving training to the mothers was something we'd talked about at the first centre, but I never saw it happening. In our new centre, we



had already highlighted it as a priority, so perhaps Maggie would give us some advice.

"For example," she said, "before a mother can bring her child to the centre, she's got to give him a wash first. Any mother who turns up with a mucky kid – send them home! Don't you worry about them not coming back – they'll do anything to come back."

One of the helpers interrupted: "Are you telling us that we have to tell these mothers to cut down the grass in the garden, to bring firewood and fetch water? Aren't they just going

to tell us all to get lost?"

"Oh, do you think they won't insult you? Do you think they never insulted me in my 12 years' experience? Of course they did. They called me all sorts! But, these mothers want to help their children. Eventually they'll accept their role."

"They'd see me and they'd shout – 'Oh, Mama, are you there? Look, I've brought some firewood!' – and you'll find the same. They'll call you names at first, but after a while, they'll respect you."

Sweet Charity For Port Chaplain

As the Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) port chaplain on the Tees, Deacon Peter Barrigan never quite knows what to expect when he boards a ship. He might even have to go to the local pound shop to buy eight boxes of Toblerone!

This happened when some of the crew from the Piavia, which had been at anchor in Tees Bay for five weeks, were going home and had had no time to go shopping.

"With 80 bars of chocolate in the trolley, the shop assistant and the people behind me in the queue looked at my wife and I as if as if we were crackers," said Peter. "It's an odd thing to say but I take every opportunity to tell people about AoS, so even a trolley full of Toblerones in a supermarket queue can give you a chance to spread the word."

Buying Toblerone bars might not appear very important, but small gestures such as these make a difference to the lives of seafarers Peter meets on the Tees. Often a crew might have been at sea for weeks or months, and when they arrive in a port they know no one.



"From meeting the guy on security as I board the ship to meeting the rest of the crew and officers, I have no idea what will come up when I meet a crew," said Peter.

"If I ever make the mistake of saying to myself, 'Ten minutes should do it on this ship', I'm always proved wrong, as someone from the crew will ask,

'Sir, can you help me? I need...' And you are caught up in the needs of that one person or others on the ship."

"The challenge is to be open to whatever comes in conversation. It can range from the need to sort out a personal problem on board, help in dealing with bad news from home, or just being prepared to listen as they want to chat about family."

Peter is supported by a team of volunteer ship visitors. On the south side of the river, they cover berths on Teesport, Potash, Heavy

Lifting Quays (Dawson's) and Redcar Ore.

He is also supported by a number of local parishes, particularly in Redcar and Middlesbrough, who collect Christmas shoe boxes for seafarers. "At Christmas, with all the bad news about the loss of work due to the closure of the steelworks and coke ovens, I

was certain the Christmas gifts would be greatly reduced. How wrong I was. We received more boxes than the previous year."

During this Year of Mercy, the AoS is organising a diocesan retreat for volunteers and those who might be interested in joining its mission. The retreat will focus on the importance of the ministry to the overall mission of the Church. Please email peter.barrigan@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk if you are interested in helping.

Greg Watts

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LOURDES

Come And See Our Blanket Display

We've been bowled over by the incredibly generous response to our blanket appeal.

Not only have the number and quality of the blankets delighted us, we've also been touched by the heart-warming stories of how people have come together.

Friendships have been formed and renewed, while people have also shared their own Lourdes stories with others thinking of coming for the first time.

We want to give everyone the opportunity to come along and see for themselves these beautiful crafted blankets at our Day of Formation. Our Hospitalite team will come together at Trinity College, Middlesbrough, on

Saturday April 30 as we prepare for this year's pilgrimage.

The day ends with the celebration of Mass together with supported pilgrims who will be travelling with us this year. Please come along to see the blankets, share in our Mass and enjoy a cup of tea with us.

The blankets will be on display from 1.30pm, with Mass at around 3pm. We'd love to be able to thank you in person. We know there are so many people who support Lourdes in so many ways but have never experienced Lourdes. Come along and just get a little flavour of Lourdes here in the Boro!

Chris Tillotson, Head Handmaid

Made In Hull With Love

Ever since the request for blankets to replace those lost during the floods in Lourdes, knitting needles and crochet hooks in Hull have been working overtime.

Word quickly spread around parishes and among family and friends and blankets came in in many designs and colours, all made with love. Some have been created by our supported pilgrims and one was made some time ago by one pilgrim's late mother. The project has given another friend who is housebound due to illness a new focus in life, knowing her knitting is helping others.

I know there are still more to come, but must express many thanks and appreciation for all the hard work involved. I'd also like to thank all our Lourdes family in the Hull area who supported and helped in any way at our recent very successful Lourdes coffee morning and thanksgiving Mass.

Jean Campbell

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Day of Formation

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The Great Lourdes Bake Off

There's nothing nicer than being able to offer our supported pilgrims a cup of tea and a piece of cake during their stay in the Accueil.

We'll also be enjoying our afternoon tea party while we are there this year, so your beautiful china cups, saucers and plates will be put to good use again.

If anyone has a cake stand gathering dust in a cupboard and would be happy to part with it, I'd love to take it to Lourdes to give our celebration an authentic vintage feel.

If you can help, please bring them along to our pre-pilgrimage Masses or contact me by emailing chris.tillotson@hotmail.co.uk or calling 01642 324043.

Villages United For Knitting Appeal

After seeing the appeal in the Voice, my sister Mu and I, both being knitters, decided to give it a go. We also placed a request for knitters of squares in The Postgate Parishes bulletin and the response has been amazing.

As the three parishes cover Ugthorpe, Lealholm and Egton Bridge, our knitters are spread across many miles of moorland and from other villages and hamlets such as Scaling, Fryup, Glaisdale, Tranmire, Mickleby and Sleights, and even from Whitby where two ladies, practically housebound, have contributed with their knitted squares.

Our oldest knitter is 90 years young. Another, Alice, in her 80s, invited us to meet at her home for a knit and natter – but not Thursdays, as she goes bowling! A few of us made it for a cuppa and her homemade biscuits. Delicious!

We have received donations of wool from a number of people including from an 89-year-old lady who rang me with an offer of much wool, gratefully accepted, and afterwards she acquired more wool and knitted a blanket for us! Another lady, a mere 87 years old, arrived on my doorstep having driven from West Barnby. She had been clearing out and asked if I could make use of a large bag of wool.

Neither of these ladies are Catholics, giving our efforts an ecumenical flavour.

Others transported the squares from person to person, eventually arriving with them at my doorstep or handing them to me at church. Mu and I had a discussion on size and borrowed a blanket from Mu's granddaughter's wheelchair to guide us.

My daughter and granddaughter from North Ormesby offered to crochet the squares together. So the great array of coloured squares (372 to date) travelled many miles, were sorted and beautifully joined together before returning as blankets (the tenth in process), which we are labelling with the three parish names. Squares are already coming in for the eleventh blanket.

We will continue with the blankets until the pilgrimage in May and beyond. This has been a very enjoyable experience and has given our knitters a great deal of pleasure, especially during the long winter evenings, enabling them to use their talents for others. On behalf of the parishioners of The Postgate Parishes, I send gratitude to all you supported pilgrims for giving us this wonderful opportunity.

Edna Hunneysett



Forthcoming diary dates

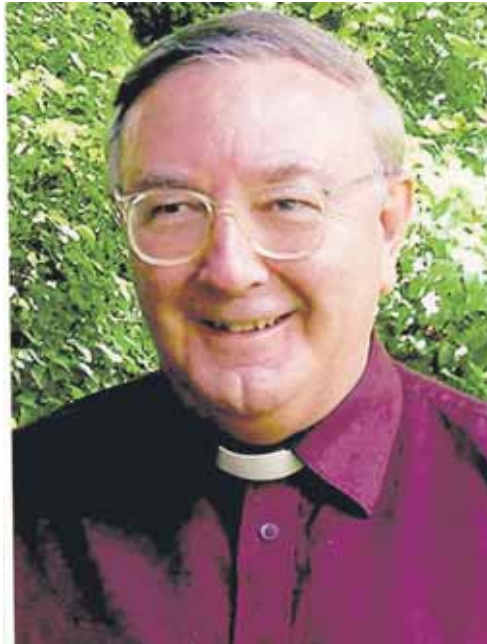
Saturday April 30, 10am: Day of Formation, Trinity College, Middlesbrough
Sunday May 8, noon: All Helpers Meeting, Hull
Sunday May 8, 2pm: Pre-Pilgrimage Mass, Sacred Heart, Hull
Sunday May 8, 3pm: Meet the Supported Pilgrims, Hull
Saturday May 14: Music Day, Middlesbrough
Thursday May 19, 7.30pm: Brancardiers Meeting, St Francis Social Club, Middlesbrough
Sunday May 22, 2pm: All Helpers Meeting, Cathedral
Sunday May 22, 3.30pm: Meet the Supported Pilgrims, Cathedral
Sunday May 22, 5pm: Pre-Pilgrimage Mass, Cathedral

If you'd like to be informed of future Lourdes Masses and events by email, please send your email address to john.brown160@ntlworld.com. To be kept informed by text message, text sendlourdesinfo to John Brown on 07871958412. In both cases, please state your name and whether you are a current helper (doctor, nurse, handmaid, brancardier, musician, support or youth) or a new enquirer.

OBITUARIES

Death Of Ampleforth Monks

Father Aelred Burrows OSB, Benedictine monk of Ampleforth Abbey, died peacefully in the monastery infirmary at Ampleforth Abbey on February 18 at the age of 76.



He was born in Warrington in July 1939 and educated at the Xaverian College in Manchester, before joining the monastic community at Ampleforth in September 1965. He was ordained priest on July 7 1968 and spent 25 years in a variety of roles in the school, including teaching History and Religious Studies, and was St Hugh's Housemaster from 1976 to 1984.

Father Aelred taught Church History, Liturgy and Sacred Scripture and at the end of his time in St Hugh's House became Novicemaster (1984-1989) and then Warden of the Grange and Vocations Director (1989-1996).

In 1996, Father Aelred moved to the parishes of St Austin's, Grassendale, and St Joseph's, Brindle, both in the Archdiocese of Liverpool. He built strong relations with a church in Romania, where he spent working holidays, bringing gifts to schools from his own parishioners.

In 2008 Father Aelred suffered a series of incapacitating strokes and returned to the monastery infirmary at Ampleforth. His funeral Mass was celebrated in the Abbey Church, followed by burial in the Monks' Wood.



Abbot Patrick Barry OSB, Benedictine monk of Ampleforth Abbey, died peacefully in the monastery infirmary at Ampleforth Abbey on Sunday February 21, two months after celebrating his 98th birthday.

He had been a monk at Ampleforth for 80 years and his death was marked with the traditional tolling of the bell in the abbey church tower, with one toll for each year of Abbot Patrick's life.

He was born in Wallasey, Cheshire, on December 6 1917 and went to school in Liverpool and then to Ampleforth College. He joined the monastic community and was professed as a monk on September 23 1939. Following studies at St Benet's Hall at the University of Oxford, Father Barry returned to Ampleforth and became school librarian and Senior Classics Master.

In January 1954 he became St Wilfrid's Housemaster and Deputy Head. Ten years later, in September 1964, he was appointed Headmaster of Ampleforth College by Abbot Basil Hume. He also became chairman of the Headmasters' Conference.

He remained Headmaster until January 1980 and after a sabbatical worked in parishes in Cardiff and Dulwich. On April 5 1984, Father Barry was elected the sixth Abbot of Ampleforth. He was re-elected in 1992 and retired from office in March 1997.

The following year he went to live at St Louis Abbey, Missouri, also undertaking frequent visits to Chile to work with the Manquehue Apostolic Movement and write its history. He lectured on monastic history both in St Louis and in Santiago.

At the age of 91, Abbot Patrick returned to Ampleforth Abbey, where he lived in the monastery infirmary and took an active part in community life.

Abbot Patrick was a renowned author, and his work *St Benedict's Rule: A New Translation for Today*, originally published in 1997, remains one of the most popular contemporary translations.

Abbot Patrick was also a master calligrapher and vice-president of the Society for Italic Handwriting.

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6-7 Meeting of Seminary Rectors, Vocation Directors and On-going Formation Directors - Hothorpe Hall
9 Attends Centenary Banquet - Middlesbrough Catenians - Jurys Inn, Middlesbrough 7.00 pm
11-14 Attends Bishops' Conference at Hinsley Hall, Leeds
16-17 Parish Visitation at St John the Evangelist, Easingwold All weekend
19 Attends meeting of Bishop's Council at Curial Office, Middlesbrough 11.00 am
20 School Visits to: St Thomas More Primary, Hull 9.00 am St Vincent's VC Academy, Hull 1.00 pm
22 Attends meeting of CSAN Board of Trustees in London 12 noon
23-24 Parish Visitation at Our Lady of Lourdes & St Peter Chanel, Hull All weekend
25-28 Visitation of English College, Valladolid
30 Attends Lourdes Hospitalité Formation Event at Trinity Catholic College, Middlesbrough 10.00 am Confirmations at Ampleforth 5.00 pm

1 Friday

Dates of events and articles for inclusion in the May issue of Voice must be received by today
7.00 pm First Friday Life Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Frances, Tel: (01482) 574486 for further details

1 - 3 Friday - Sunday

'Living the Gospel' led by Fr Kieran Monahan. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766486/766889 for further details

2 Saturday

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

3 Sunday

11.00 am Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH
11.30 am Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration at St Aelred's Church, Fifth Avenue, Tang Hall, York, YO31 0PN. Eucharistic Adoration from 11.30 am, Confessions from approximately 1.00 pm available throughout the afternoon, Holy Hour of Mercy 3.00 pm: Blessing of the Image, Diary Readings, Chaplet of Mercy, Individual Consecration to the Divine Mercy, Benediction. All welcome, tea and biscuits afterwards
12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
12.00 pm - 4.00 pm Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration at St Vincent's Church, Queen's Road, Hull, HU5 2QP. Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions all afternoon. Holy Hour commencing at 3.00 pm: Blessing of the Image, Prayers/Readings from the Diary, Chaplet of Mercy, Benediction. All welcome

1.00 pm - 4.00 pm Divine Mercy Sunday at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Confessions available, 3.00 pm: Holy Mass. All welcome. Contact: St Mary's Cathedral, Tel: (01642) 597750 or visit www.ladychapel.org.uk for further details
6.00 pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

4 Monday

1.30 pm The Annunciation at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley. 1.30 pm: Rosary, 2.00 pm: Mass. All welcome. Contact: St Mary's Cathedral, Tel: (01642) 597750 or visit www.ladychapel.org.uk for further details

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 Latin Mass at the Church of St Charles, Jarratt Street, Hull, HU1 3HB
6.30 pm The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details
7.00 pm 'What kind of security can be provided by faith communities' - Ebor Lecture in York Minster, York, to be delivered by Rev Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, General Secretary, World Church Council. Visit www.yorks.ac.uk/eborlectures for details on how to book online or in writing, or contact the Ebor Lectures Co-ordinator, Tel: (01904) 876474 or E-mail: eborlectures@yorks.ac.uk for further details

8 Friday

7.00 pm - 8.30 pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact: John, Tel: (01759) 380415 for further details
7.30 pm A Marian Evening at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough - Rosary, Holy Mass, Talk, Witness. Contact: Marie Bedingfield, Tel: (01642) 530739 for further details

9 Saturday

11.30 am The Catholic Women's League Diocesan Annual General Meeting will be held at Holy Cross, Cottingham. Mass will be at 11.30 am. The National President will be attending

10 Sunday

11.00 am Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH
12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form 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 Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

11 Monday

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm 'Anti-Trafficking Work as a Mary Ward Woman' led by Sr Imelda Poole IBVM at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details
5.30 pm - 7.30 pm Presentation on the work of MAP (Methodist Asylum Project) at the University of Teesside, Middlesbrough. The evening will include food and refreshments. Contact: Ailsa Adamson, Tel: 07970 192841, E-mail: mapmbro@gmail.com or John Hinman, Tel: (01642) 700075, E-mail: jnhinman@gmail.com to book a place
7.30 pm Justice & Peace meet at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact: Nan Saeki, Tel: (01904) 783621 for further details

11 - 14 Monday - Thursday

'An Artist will find in Nature's textures a work of art and in birdsong a poem' - a retreat led by Diane Miller. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766486/766889 for further details

12 Tuesday

12.45 pm Hull and District Catholic Women's Luncheon Club meet at the Kingston Theatre Hotel, Hull when John O'Mullane will speak about 'Ten Commandments for understanding the French'
1.30 pm - 3.00 pm 'Praying with the Psalms and the Mystics' led by Sr Agnese Jenčíková CJ at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel:

(01904) 464900 for further details

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm LIFE ASCENDING Group, York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr Kelly Room

7.30 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 LIFE ASCENDING Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hesse meet after the Morning Mass
10.30 am The LIFE ASCENDING 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

15 Friday

7.30 pm Aquinas Reading Group in the Upper Room at St Wilfrid's, York. A guided reading of the Summa Theologiae. Contact: Steve Evans, Tel: 07800 697975 or E-mail: steve_evans21@tiscali.co.uk Further details at http://readingthesumma.blogspot.com/
7.30 pm - 9.30 pm Bible study at English Martyrs, York. Contact: Lukasz Druzic, Tel: 07540 981429 for further details including confirmation of venue

15 - 17 Friday - Sunday

'A Retreat for Parishioners' led by Fr Terence Richardson. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766486/766889 for further details

16 Saturday

9.30 am - 4.00 pm 'Who Cares?' - a Day Conference on Christian Care in the Community at Alban Roe House, Ampleforth Abbey, Ampleforth, York, organised by the Ryedale Christian Council. Cost: £15.00, please bring a packed lunch. Contact: Mike Gray, Tel: (01751) 431338 or visit www.ryedalechristiancouncil.org.uk for further details and to book a place
10.00 am - 3.30 pm The Two Hearts Reparation Prayer Vigil - a Day of Devotions to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to be held at St Charles Borromeo, Jarratt Street, Hull. Contact: Judith Miller, Tel: 07570 799986 for further details including confirmation of timing
7.30 pm Sacred Heart Parish Dance (Sally Glennon) at the Erimus Club, Cumberland Road, Middlesbrough, TS5 6JB. Tickets from Eddie White, Tel: (01642) 860227

17 Sunday

11.00 am Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH
12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
3.00 pm Middlesbrough Catholic Fellowship Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough
4.00 pm Young Adults' Mass for young adults aged 18-30 followed by a simple meal at The Chapel, Mission House, St Thomas More, Kirkham Row, Beechwood, Middlesbrough, TS4 3EE. Contact Tel: (01642) 529102 or E-mail: domfinn@mymission.org.uk for further details
6.00 pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

18 Monday

7.30 pm The York Newman Circle presents a Talk by Michael Kerrigan entitled 'Married priests: the time has come!' at The Bar Convent, Blossom Street, York. Contact: Judith Smeaton, Tel: (01904) 704525 or E-mail: judith.smeaton@btinternet.com for further details

18 - 21 Monday - Thursday

'Dante's Divine Comedy: A Visitor's Guide to Purgatory' - a retreat led by Fr Andrew McCaffrey. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766486/766889 for further details

20 Wednesday

7.00 pm The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet at St Charles Borromeo Church, Jarratt Street, Hull

7.30 pm for 7.45 pm The Cleveland Newman Circle presents a Talk by Dr Dominic Rajkumar entitled ‘The History of Christianity in India with particular reference to the Syro-Malabar rite’ in the Cathedral Hall, St Mary’s Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough. Coffee/tea from 7.30 pm. Contact Tel: (01642) 645732 or E-mail: tpj.egerton@virgin.net for further details. All are welcome

21 Thursday
2.00 pm - 3.30 pm ‘Julian Gatherings’ led by Rev Gwynne Wright at St Bede’s Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

22 Friday
7.00 pm ‘Leadership Under Pressure’ - Ebor Lecture in York St John University, York, to be delivered by Colonel Bob Stewart DSO, MP. Visit www.yorks.ac.uk/eborlectures for details on how to book online or in writing, or contact the Ebor Lectures Co-ordinator, Tel: (01904) 876474 or E-mail: eborlectures@yorks.ac.uk for further details

24 Sunday
May issue of Catholic Voice available
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12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
4.30 pm Sung Vespers with the senior girl choristers at St Mary’s Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough. The service will be preceded by a ten minute programme of organ music and will be followed by Mass at 5.00 pm. All welcome
6.00 pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

26 Tuesday
10.00 am - 4.00 pm ‘Growing into Tomorrow’ led by Margaret Silf at St Bede’s Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details
5.30 pm - 7.00 pm ‘Catholic Martyrdom in Late Elizabethan England’ - Ushaw Lecture at Ushaw College, Durham, to be delivered by Professor Michael Questier, Queen Mary University of London, part of the Ushaw Lecture Series organised by the Durham University’s Centre for Catholic Studies. A pre-seminar drinks reception is offered from 5.30 pm, lecture commences at 6.00 pm. All lectures are free but you must register for your free ticket. Contact E-mail: ccs.admin@durham.ac.uk for further details

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

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 St Anthony’s Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Everyone welcome. Contact: Pat, Tel: (01482) 802483 for further details

30 Saturday
10.00 am - 4.00 pm Lourdes Helpers’ Day of Formation at Trinity Catholic College, Saltersgill Avenue, Middlesbrough. Concludes with Mass at 3.00 pm to be shared with the Supported Pilgrims and also includes a display of blankets from 1.30 pm
11.30 am Ninth Walk for Life in York. Commences at 11.30 am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Mass at 12.10 pm in St Wilfrid’s Church, Petergate, York. Procession departs from West Precinct of York Minster at 1.00 pm. Procession concludes at 4.15 pm for Final Prayers and Benediction at English Martyrs Church, Dalton Terrace, York, followed by refreshments. Both St Wilfrid’s Church and English Martyrs Church will be open for prayer all day. Contact: Patricia Sammon, Tel: 0113 258 2745 or 07747 698553 or E-mail: patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com for further details

FIRST WEEK OF MAY:

1 Sunday
11.00 am Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH
12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
6.00 pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

3 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

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4 Wednesday
6.30 pm Latin Mass at the Church of St Charles, Jarratt Street, Hull, HU1 3HB
6.30 pm The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details
7.00 pm Global Security and the United Nations: 70 Years On’ - Ebor Lecture in York St John University, York, to be delivered by Myriam Francois-Cerrah, writer, journalist and broadcaster. Visit www.yorks.ac.uk/eborlectures for details on how to book online or in writing, or contact the Ebor Lectures Co-ordinator, Tel: (01904) 876474 or E-mail: eborlectures@yorks.ac.uk for further details

5 Thursday
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm ‘Rejoice in your Voice’ led by Lucy Castro at St Bede’s Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

6 Friday
Dates of events and articles for inclusion in the June issue of Voice must be received by today
7.00 pm First Friday Life Prayer Group meets at St Anthony’s Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Frances, Tel: (01482) 574486 for further details

7 Saturday
‘A Quiet Day at Ampleforth’ led by Fr Kevin Hayden. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766486/766889 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

8 Sunday
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12.00 pm Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF
2.00 pm Lourdes Pre-Pilgrimage Mass at Sacred Heart, Hull
6.00 pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid’s Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

The Pastoral Centre is in Thorpe Lane, Robin Hood’s Bay, North Yorkshire. Contact: Tel: (01947) 880169 or e-mail: madonnahouserhb@gmail.com

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Called By Name

The first Sunday of Lent is a very special time for the whole Church as we get ready to welcome those who will be received into full communion with us at Easter.

In a special celebration known as the Rite of

Election, 23 candidates and 15 catechumens began a period of intense preparation to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion.

In his homily at St Mary's Cathedral, Bishop

Terry reflected on how each of them had been "called by name." He said this is a powerful sign to those who are already members of the Church that they too are called and chosen by God.

As each of the candidates and catechumens received a cross from the Bishop, he urged them never to be ashamed of being known as a follower of Jesus. In choosing to respond to this call, these new members of the Church

now share with us all the responsibility of being "merciful like the Father".

In this Year of Mercy, the Rite of Election can help us remember that this call does not come about by our own efforts, but rather through the free and gracious gift of the God who is the father of all mercies.

So as we pray for the new members of our Church, perhaps we might reflect on how we have all been called by name and bear in mind the words of Pope Francis – that "we are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us".

Deacon Vince Purcell, Diocesan Adviser for Adult Formation and Evangelisation



Catechumens and candidates pictured with Bishop Terry at the Rite of Election in the Cathedral at the start of Lent. Photo by Les Clark

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