

## Bishop's Column

June brings in the time of ordination anniversaries. This year we celebrate two diamonds (60 years of priesthood), so congratulations are due to Monsignor Seamus Kilbane on June 10 and Father Thomas Ryan later on in the summer, on September 29. Canon Michael Ryan will complete 50 years of priesthood on June 12, so many congratulations to him. And to Canon Alan Sheridan who will celebrate his Silver Jubilee on July 27, heartiest congratulations as well.

This year is a very special year in the life of Her Majesty the Queen, although her actual birthday was on April 21, her official birthday will be celebrated on June 11. Over that weekend I am sure that all the parishes in the diocese will remember her in their prayers and commemorate the event appropriately. Can I

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# Cell Doors To God's Mercy

**Prisoners throughout our diocese are being encouraged to use their cell doors as Doors of Mercy throughout the jubilee year.**

Bishop Terry is well on the way to completing his mission to visit each prison as part of the Year of Mercy celebrations, inspired by a call from Pope Francis (see Bishop's Column).

By the end of June he hopes to have visited Deerbolt Prison in County Durham, Humber and Hull prisons in East Yorkshire and Full Sutton near Pocklington in North Yorkshire.

On some visits he has been able to say Mass while others have been an opportunity to meet prisoners in the chapel and talk to them.

"The Bishops' Prisons Adviser Father Roger Reader gave us the idea of telling prisoners that the cell door is their Door of Mercy and that when they pass through it every day they are coming into the presence of God," said Bishop Terry.

"It's important to remind them they are still part of the Church. They are sinners but God still loves them. Knowing that can give them the confidence to start again.

"That was also the Holy Father's message when he visited the Regina Coeli prison in Rome at the very start of the Year of Mercy.

"Last year I baptised two older men in Hull

Prison and it was a deeply moving experience. They decided the time had come for them to become part of the Church and you could tell that the other prisoners were overjoyed about what they were doing. I've also baptised and confirmed prisoners at Deerbolt."

The governor and other senior staff always greet the bishop on his visits before he meets the prisoners for some social time. At Hull he was even treated to a curry alongside them!

Bishop Terry praised the many very gifted and dedicated people working within the prison chaplaincy service throughout the year. He said the work really gets under the skin of those who become involved in it.

Middlesbrough Diocese priest Father Pat Cope works for the National Offender Management Service at the Ministry of Justice in London, liaising with officials at the highest government level.



## Apostleship of the Sea

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Saturday 11th June 2016

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recommend a little book to you entitled *The Servant Queen and the King She Serves*. It draws on the Queen's strong faith in Jesus Christ and how this has shaped her life and work.

During the course of the Year of Mercy I hope to visit all the prisons within the boundaries of the diocese. As the year began I was able to go to HMP Deerbolt, Barnard Castle and to HMP Hull. In May I visited HMP Humber and during this month I shall go to HMP Full Sutton. It is important to remind our brothers and sisters in prisons that they are still very much a part of the Church and that the Lord embraces them in his love and will give them the grace to repent and change their hearts and their lives. Please keep them in your prayers as you pray for mercy yourselves.

On June 20 we will have the visit of the relics of St Anthony of Padua at the Cathedral. The relics will be available for veneration all day from 9am until 8pm. I will celebrate Mass at noon and there will be another Mass at 6.30pm, as well as Morning and Evening Prayer. All are encouraged and will be made welcome to come and spend some time during the course of the day. St Anthony must be one of the saints most in demand, given how frequently we lose or misplace things!

And then before we know where we are we will be in the month of July and celebrating our annual Postgate Rally at Ugthorpe this year. If I don't see you before, I hope to see you there.



## Housing Roadshow Rolls Into Hull

**The Housing Justice roadshow tour makes its first stop in Hull on Tuesday June 7 as it highlights the Church's role in tackling homelessness.**

This year is the 60th anniversary of the formation of the Catholic Housing Aid Society, which merged with the Churches' National Housing Coalition in 2003 to become Housing Justice.

The group hopes to use the milestone to inspire and encourage churches, faith groups, community projects, homelessness charities and the statutory and voluntary housing sector to join together and address the issues effectively.

The roadshow will look at the needs from an informed local and national perspective and examine where churches have a role to play, whether speaking up for people in poverty and housing need or working in partnership with others to be part of the solution.

Come and hear about some great projects that churches are already doing and be inspired to make a difference!

There will be workshops on faith in affordable housing, church and community night shelters and addressing the needs of homeless migrants, as well as a theological workshop reflecting on homelessness in the Year of Mercy.

The event takes place at the Community Enterprise Centre in Cottingham Road and runs from 9.30am to 3.30pm. The cost is £10, including lunch and refreshments.

For more information email [info@housingjustice.org.uk](mailto:info@housingjustice.org.uk) or call 020 3544 8094.

# World On The Move



Refugees on the Macedonia border

**This month CAFOD are focusing on the millions of refugees, migrants and internally displaced peoples across the world. While we hear almost daily reports of people taking life-threatening journeys to reach Europe in the hope of finding safety and refuge, around the world there are many millions of internally displaced peoples, within countries from Colombia in Latin America, to the Democratic Republic of Congo in Africa, in the Middle East and in Myanmar in Asia that don't make the news headlines here at home.**

Most are fleeing internal conflict and war. The scale of the movement of peoples across the world is massive – so we can struggle to make an effective response and feel unable to make any positive impact on the situation. Pope Francis tells us, "We ourselves need to see and then enable others to see that migrants and refugees are brothers and sisters to be welcomed, respected and loved."

CAFOD's theology team, together with the Catholic Social Action Network (CSAN) and the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), have put together a pilgrimage liturgy, which we are offering to parishes and groups to use in their local communities. It is built around the Lampedusa Cross and offers us a way to undertake works of mercy and acts of hope. Forced out by war, poverty or persecution, millions of people live uncertain lives as

migrants and refugees. But each of us, moved by faith, can act in welcome, respect and love.

**Welcome:** Sicilian carpenter Francesco Tuccio made rough crosses from the wreckage of a boat carrying refugees that sank off the island of Lampedusa. The crosses were offered to the survivors as a symbol of their rescue and a sign of hope.

**Respect:** A youth worker led young people to write messages of hope for refugees and presented them to his local MP, who then spoke in the House of Commons about the need to "introduce the language of compassion into this debate".

**Love:** Tiam Ham, a refugee himself, is a volunteer chef with JRS working with refugees in London. He says: "It gives me joy to cook with love and kindness to show how much I care. Meeting different people and listening to their life stories, I find we have a lot in common."

Pope Francis invites us all to make a pilgrimage to mark "an extraordinary moment of grace and spiritual renewal". (*Misericordia Vultus*). A pilgrimage is a way for us to show solidarity with all those fleeing war, poverty and persecution in our world. Along the way we reflect on "Who is my neighbour?"

The pilgrimage liturgy and cards to write messages of hope for refugees can be

downloaded from <http://cafod.org.uk/yearofmercy> and printed material can be ordered from the CAFOD site. CAFOD have also sent a Lampedusa Cross, made by Francesco Tuccio, to each diocese in England and Wales. It is hoped it will be seen as a sign of our solidarity with refugees who arrive in our local areas.

● CAFOD partners from Colombia will visit York over the weekend of Saturday June 11 and Sunday June 12. They will speak at the CAFOD Volunteer Forum on Saturday at the Priory Centre, off Micklegate, and at Our Lady's parish in Acomb on Sunday during and after 9.30am Mass.

● After ten years CAFOD Middlesbrough are saying a fond farewell to our York base in Blossom Street. Following a fruitless search for alternative premises in the city we have kindly been offered another home and will be based in the diocesan Curial Offices, 50a The Avenue, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough TS5 6QT. Important notice – please send any donations directly to our Donations Processing Team, CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. Many thanks.

**Carol Cross, Community Participation Coordinator**

# Caring For The Treasure Of Society

AGEING BETTER  
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**Archbishop Peter Smith says the following about care of the elderly...**

"It is essential to foster a culture of care which cherishes life from its beginning to its natural end, which recognises the God-given dignity of the older person, and sees it as the greatest honour to respect their dignity through the best care possible."

Research has been carried out in the diocese to see how we might rise to the challenge of supporting our elderly and isolated parishioners. From this research we have chosen to work with Middlesbrough and Stockton Mind's Big Lottery Fund programme "Ageing Better Middlesbrough" to offer support to our older parishioners still living in their own homes.

In June there will be a series of meetings and presentations

for parishioners in the Cathedral parish about working with Ageing Better Middlesbrough.

The Ageing Better Middlesbrough programme aims to help people aged 50 and over who are experiencing loneliness and isolation by spending time getting to know them, giving them time to talk about issues that are important to them and introducing them to other people with similar interests and backgrounds.

Ageing Better Middlesbrough staff encourage people to get involved in local activities and groups and support people to become volunteers or increase their confidence with technology such as smartphones, laptops and tablets.

Ageing Better Middlesbrough is free to join. Members receive quarterly newsletters with information on what is happening in the town and stories about the amazing contribution that

older people make to their communities.

We have great hopes for the pilot programme and hope to see similar developments in other parishes in the Middlesbrough area.

Social isolation and loneliness is a debilitating problem. Our diocese, along with Ageing Better Middlesbrough, intends to step forward and offer support and encouragement to the people Pope Francis has called "the treasure of our society".

**Monsignor Gerard Robinson and John Hinman**

● To find out more about Ageing Better Middlesbrough visit [www.ageingbettermiddlesbrough.org.uk](http://www.ageingbettermiddlesbrough.org.uk), email [info@ageingbettermiddlesbrough.org.uk](mailto:info@ageingbettermiddlesbrough.org.uk) or call 01642 257034. For more information on this diocesan partnership please contact John Hinman on [jnhinman@gmail.com](mailto:jnhinman@gmail.com) or 01642 700075.



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## Holy Land Christians Need Your Friendship

**Among the tragic news concerning the suppression of the faith in Iraq, Syria and Jordan, the plight of Christians in the Holy Land remains a constant. The Christian communities of Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem and Gaza and other surrounding areas continue to struggle for existence in the land where Christ himself once walked.**

Economic sanctions and the impact of the Israeli security barrier have severely curtailed the ability of Christians to survive, while tourist numbers continue to fall to levels that critically affect the economic prospects in traditional centres such as Bethlehem and Nazareth. The result is the migration of young Christians due to lack of job opportunities and the marginalisation of Christians within the overall community where they once rubbed shoulders with Muslims and Jews alike.

The Friends of the Holy Land is an ecumenical, non-political charity with Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby as its main patrons. It supports and sustains Christians in the Holy Land through the economic support of small employment schemes, assistance with school

and university fees, support for medical services and the provision of day-care facilities for the elderly. A 20-minute DVD explaining the current situation is available on request.

Raising awareness of the plight of Christians in the Holy Land and the formation of parish groups with the active support of local clergy is a key aim. To this end assistance is required from interested Christians in the North-East. This can range from setting up a parish-based group to giving a short pulpit explanation of our aims as part of local initiatives.

Bishop Terry generously supported the Advent Crib collections in the diocese and the proceeds are currently helping Christians in the Holy Land. The prospect of Christians as the "living stones" of Christ's mission becoming extinct is unthinkable and we all have a duty to act before it is too late.

We hope to arrange for a familiarisation session for prospective volunteers at a convenient regional venue. Please contact me at [mcnallymxk@aol.com](mailto:mcnallymxk@aol.com) if you are interested.

**Mark McNally**

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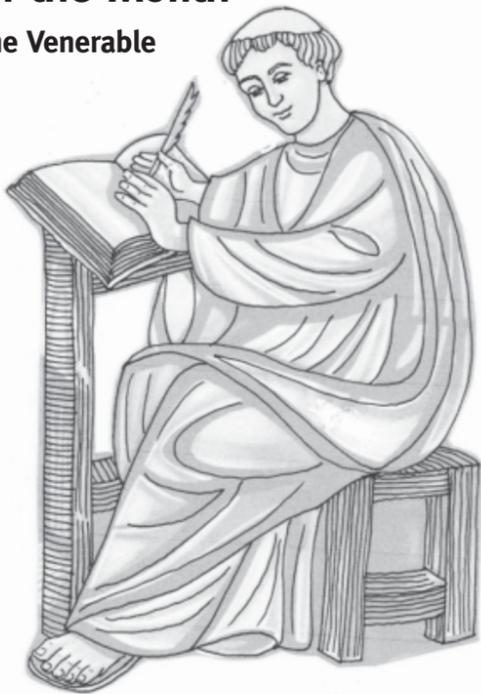
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**Saint of the Month**

**St Bede the Venerable**



Bede was probably born in 672 or 673. When he was seven years old he was sent to be educated by the monks in their monastery in Jarrow. He stayed there for the rest of his life. He became a deacon at the age of 19 and he was ordained a priest when he was 30.

Bede was a great scholar and he wrote more than 60 books. The most famous of these was *An Ecclesiastical History of the English People*, which tells how Christianity came to Britain. Bede was a skilled linguist and he translated important religious works into English. He is shown holding a book and a quill pen.

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**BEDE, MONKS, MONASTERY, DEACON, PRIEST, SCHOLAR, LINGUIST, TRANSLATED, BOOK, QUILL**

**Sleep Out For Emmaus**

**Sixteen students and staff from St Mary's College, Hull, did a sponsored sleep out to raise funds for the recently opened Emmaus Centre in Hull.**

We gathered in the presbytery of St Charles Church where we were made very welcome by Canon Michael Loughlin and enjoyed pizzas and hot drinks to set us up for the long night ahead.

Gavin, one of the companions at Emmaus, spoke movingly to us about homelessness and his experiences of life on the streets. He alerted us to the fact that homelessness can happen to anyone and could be as near as three missed pay packets away.

Canon Loughlin then took us to the crypt under the church where many of the pioneering Catholics who lived in the city and built St Charles in the 18th and 19th centuries are buried. It was a poignant experience, but a bit scary!

At 11pm we went into the church itself and after a brief service and night prayers we settled down. There was considerable excitement and some apprehension at the thought of spending the night in such surroundings. Waking up at 3am, aching all over and seeing all the statues of the saints peering down on you was a little unnerving.

However, the night passed very quickly and shortly after



6am Hannah Leech, the chaplaincy coordinator at St Mary's College, arrived with bacon butties and hot drinks which revived us all.

A group then went out on to the streets taking hot food and drinks for those sleeping rough. Despite the discomfort and lack of sleep, everyone felt that it was worthwhile and it helped us to appreciate, even if only in a small way, just what a homeless person experiences on a daily basis. At the last count the students had raised around £1,000 for the Emmaus Foundation.

**Chris Cuthill**

**Celebrating World Water Day In York**



**St Wilfrid's RC School in York celebrated World Water Day with a "Be Spirited" prayer event. Children shared their prayers for the world using bubbles and stones at ten prayer stations run by children from the school's Mini Vinnies team.**

They reflected on images of God's creation and made a prayer chain for children in drought-stricken countries around the world. The day of prayer formed part of the school's Holy Week worship. "It felt really nice and calm and I was able to pray easily and think about people who need clean water to live healthy lives," said Evie from year six.

**Marie Harrison**

**Hull Mini Vinnies Give Homelessness The Boot**

**Members of the recently formed Mini Vinnies at Endsleigh Holy Child Academy and St Vincent's Academy in Hull have been collecting old unwanted shoes to help the "Adayinmyshoes" campaign.**

The campaign is aiming to break a world record on Sunday July 3 by laying out over 25,000 shoes in a continuous line. It aims to promote Hull Homeless Outreach and raise awareness of the homeless in Hull. The Mini Vinnies have been busy making posters and counting the shoes. So far each school has collected more than 100 shoes – well done Mini Vinnies!

**Catherine Holtby, lay chaplain**



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2. Which Take That single of 2007 was also part of the soundtrack to the film *Stardust*?
3. Edson Arantes do Nascimento was the real name of which famous footballer?
4. What rank was the detective *Columbo*?
5. What is the capital of the American state of Massachusetts?

**Thinking cap question**

What are the three ingredients of a Harvey Wallbanger cocktail?

Please send stories and photos of what's been happening in your school to catholicvoice@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk – we'd love to hear from you!

## SCHOOLS



### St George's Celebrates 40 Years

Former pupils, staff and anyone associated with St George's School in Eastfield, Scarborough, are warmly invited to a celebration to mark its 40th anniversary.

The school and parish community have invited Bishop Terry to celebrate Mass for pupils, staff, governors, parishioners and friends of the school at 1.30pm on Wednesday June 22, followed by

refreshments.

Bishop John Gerard McClean officially opened the school on June 22 1976.

If anyone wishes to join them for the occasion or has any memorabilia which could form part of a display, please contact the school on 01723 583535 or headteacher@st-georges-n-yorks.sch.uk.

### Imogen Crowns Our Lady's Statue

May queen Imogen Linsley crowned Our Lady's statue as Scarborough St Peter's held their annual procession. The service was conducted by Father William Massie and Father Albert Schembri. Thanks go to Cleopatra Robles for organising the children.

Bob Stankiste



Bishop Terry visited St Thomas More RC Primary School in Hull to see the work going on after some improvements and also to bless our new sacred space. He attended a liturgy led by our year six pupils before visiting St Vincent's RC Primary School in the afternoon. Our photo shows the bishop enjoying his lunch with pupils.

Debbie Brown

### Marian Procession At St Martin's

Pupils of St Martin's Ampleforth Prep School took part in the annual Procession of Our Lady in glorious early evening sunshine. A short service was held which included a recitation of a decade of the rosary. "The procession is a highlight in the school calendar," said school chaplain Father John Fairhurst.



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NEWS

# Bishop Dedicates New Church At Ingleby Barwick

**Bishop Terry was joined by priests, parishioners and visitors from throughout the diocese as he dedicated the new church of St Thérèse of Lisieux in Ingleby Barwick.**

After a few words of welcome from project manager Sharon Westcough, the celebration began with the sprinkling of holy water on the people as a sign of repentance and a reminder of their baptism.

The bishop then said a prayer of dedication before anointing the altar with chrism and then incensing the altar and church.

In his homily Bishop Terry told the packed congregation: "As human beings there is an innate desire to find a home, to be somewhere, to belong, to rest, be at peace, have sure foundations, to have some security.

"These desires, drives, forces, aspirations, whatever you want to call them, are behind and before most of our actions and plans. It is so easy and natural to focus all our efforts on some form of nest-building.

"The voice of the Lord in the Scriptures and in the teaching of the Church warns us not to be seduced and tempted to end our journey before we reach our true destination.

"Yes, it is good to celebrate the blessing and consecration of a building. It is right and fitting, and it is what we Christians do; we celebrate everything in the light of God's everlasting love towards us.

"However, in the end it is not because of the bricks and mortar that we are celebrating but what they symbolise and enable – the gathering of God's people in the power of the

Holy Spirit, to the praise and worship of the Father through Jesus Christ, his Son.

"This is the essence, this is what today's celebration is about and in the end it goes beyond bricks and mortar, paint and decoration. It is about the precious cornerstone, Christ himself and the living stones which make the spiritual house that is us, the people of God."

Parish priest Canon Pat Hartnett presented gifts to representatives of all the companies and organisations involved in the building and fitting out of the church.

"There was a great response from the whole community and the atmosphere in the church was wonderful," said Canon Pat after the service.

"This was the culmination of many years of hard work and marked the moment we were able to say that this is our building where we will come together to worship and celebrate the sacraments.

"The action of blessing the whole building with holy water and spreading the oil on the altar was so symbolic and richly meaningful. The smell of incense filled the whole church and covered us all with the holiness of the occasion."

Services had been held in a school and other venues since the parish began in 1994.

The diocese has loaned the parish the money for the construction of the building, social space, altar and lectern, while fundraising and donations by parishioners have paid for the fittings and furniture.

The 250-seater church includes a bright area for worship and space for parish celebrations, plus areas for meetings and children's liturgy. Stained glass panels created by acclaimed artist Alfred Fisher MBE are also featured.

They were reclaimed from the site of St John of God Chapel during the hotel and golf course development project at Rockcliffe Hall,

beside Middlesbrough Football Club's Darlington training HQ.

The church was designed by award-winning North East architects Naru and Ross and built by Simpsons of York.

Stewarding at the dedication was by the Knights of St Columba.



Bishop Terry anoints the altar. Photo by Les Clark

## St Thomas's Legacy In India And The North East

**St Thomas the Apostle is best known for his resounding act of faith when he said "My Lord and my God" to the risen Jesus. Less well known is his enduring personal legacy in the Christian church in southern India, still thriving after almost 2,000 years.**

Dr Dominic Rajkumar, a Hull GP, recently visited the Cleveland Newman Circle to talk about the history of Christianity in India, which is almost as old as the faith itself. His presentation, enhanced by slides, was instructive and most entertaining.

Dominic explained that St Thomas brought Christianity to India when he arrived in Kerala in AD53 after travelling overland via Persia, following routes already well established by the Greeks and Romans who traded for Indian spices and silks.

St Thomas converted many Hindu families to Christianity and their descendants are still in Kerala, rightfully proud of their ancient heritage. Known as "Thomas Christians", they called themselves "Nazranis", meaning "followers of the one from Nazareth". St Thomas founded seven separate Christian communities and was martyred near Chennai in AD74.

In early centuries, the Thomas Christians were in contact with the Churches of Persia and Syria, but independent of Rome. They used Syriac (Aramaic, Jesus' own native tongue) as the language of worship and until the 16th Century were governed by bishops from Persia. However, in the 1500s Portuguese missionaries came to India and, finding an "independent" Christian church, they tried to force it to submit to Rome: this obviously caused friction with the Thomas Christians!

The majority of Thomas Christians came into communion with Rome after compromises were eventually reached. They are now known as the Syro-Malabar Church. Vatican II confirmed their special privileges on account of their ancient history: they have a certain autonomy, with their Major Archbishop elected by Synod, and they still use Syriac in their liturgy. It is the world's second largest eastern Catholic Church after the Ukrainian Catholic Church and recently three of their own saints have been canonised in Rome, St Alphonsa, St Euphrasia and St Kuriakose Chavara.

Dominic concluded his fascinating talk by illustrating the vastness of India, its beauty and its variety. India is larger than Western Europe, with 1,000 million people. Mostly of its 25m Christians are Roman Catholic but the Syro-Malabar Church has 4.6m members, most in Kerala but with several strong communities here in the North-East of England.

Patricia Egerton

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# Share Your Prayer For A Better Future

**Catholic charities are uniting in a new campaign that asks supporters to "Share Your Prayer" for a brighter future and become part of their mission to bring it about.**

Your Catholic Legacy (YCL) is a group of charities that share skills and resources and find collaborative and efficient ways to safeguard their life-saving and life-changing work.

They are inspired by the words of St Teresa of Avila, who said "Christ has no body now but yours; no hands but yours, no feet but yours".

"The Catholic community is incredibly generous and committed and it's your support and prayers that make our work possible," said a YCL spokesman.

"Catholic charities are carrying out essential work. Whether it's developing skills and opportunities for those who are homeless, finding children safe, loving homes, providing practical assistance to struggling families, helping communities overseas hit by conflict or natural disaster or building up the Church at home and around the world, these charities are a lifeline to many.



"Gifts in wills particularly help us to be there for years to come, providing much needed support and care. By asking people to consider their hopes for the future, we ask them to consider making their hopes come true by leaving a legacy to a Catholic cause they care about."

The Share Your Prayer campaign will culminate in an event in London on Saturday June 11 called "Catholics building a better future". It will bring the prayers together and give thanks for all the good work the charities carry out.

There will be a Mass of thanksgiving at St George's Catholic Cathedral, Southwark, followed by refreshments and the chance to find out more about the organisations.

Guest speakers Barry and Margaret Mizen will share their story and their work striving to leave a legacy of peace in memory of their son, Jimmy.

You can share your prayer via the YCL website [www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk](http://www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk), via the YCL Twitter and Facebook pages or send them to Your Catholic Legacy, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB.

## Caring In The Year Of Mercy

**Positive ways Christians can care for the dying will be among the topics discussed at the Catholic Medical Association's annual symposium during the Year of Mercy. Members of the charitable organisation include doctors, nurses, social workers and pharmacists.**

"We promote the practice of Catholic social and moral ethics as an alternative to the secular and sometimes contradictory ethics of the modern world," says honorary treasurer Doctor Anthony Warren. "We also wish to develop advice and support for the students and younger members who may be intimidated or curtailed in their

belief systems by a hostile or unsympathetic environment. "There is a current crisis of freedom of conscience among health care professionals. We need to support and encourage those with religious and moral ideals to stand their ground against the flow of society towards a chaotic environment without direction and with no objective moral basis."

The symposium takes place at St Mary's University, Twickenham, London on Saturday July 30 and Sunday July 31. Visit [www.catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk](http://www.catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk) for more details.



## Father Peter's 80th Birthday Celebrations

Father Peter Ryan is pictured fourth from left with fellow clergy from the diocese after a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate his 80th birthday. More than 150 people attended the Mass in St Peter's Church, South Bank, which is part of St Andrew's Parish. It was followed by a party in St Peter's Social Club, Normanby Road, South Bank. Parishioners provided a buffet and a birthday cake was baked and decorated by Mary Hilton. Entertainment came from the Robson School of Irish Dancers. Photo by Michael Clark

### Thank You To Voice Readers

We would like to thank *Voice* readers for their generosity and kind thoughts for our work with Baghdad Central Hospital for Children. A total of £3,000 was raised for the equipment we need to purchase in the UK. Once again your readers have shown great support and compassion in helping vulnerable children in a conflict zone. Best wishes to everyone.

John Hinman, on behalf of the Diocese of Middlesbrough

### Novena Returns To Beverley

After many years the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help has been reintroduced at St John's Church in Beverley. Older parishioners remembered the icon from their youth but it was nowhere to be found. Fortunately, Father Mark Drew found a spare icon which Father David Pick had restored and reframed in memory of his late wife, Diana. The novena now takes place every Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass.

### Dominicans Mark Anniversary With Walk

Members of the Dominican family and friends are invited for a two-day walk to celebrate the order's 800th jubilee from Thursday June 30 to Sunday July 3. Walkers will accompany the friars' noviciate as they retrace the steps of medieval friars from their former priory at Beverley to York, where they will join the parish of St Wilfrid's for Sunday Mass. The cost is £95, including food and three nights' Youth Hostel accommodation, with concessions for students and the unemployed at £50. A half-length trail with car option is also available. Contact [richard.finn@english.op.org](mailto:richard.finn@english.op.org) for more information.

### Catholic Women's League Welcome National President

Members were delighted to welcome National President Elizabeth Upsher to the 59th AGM of the Middlesbrough Branch of the Catholic Women's League at Holy Cross Church, Cottingham. The meeting followed Mass concelebrated by parish priest Father Frank Gallagher and branch chaplain Father David White.



### Healing Service In York

Around 50 people attended a healing service at St Aelred's Church in York. The event was organised by the SVP, who organised lifts for people who wanted to come. Parish priest Father Bill Serplus led the service and spoke about the mercy of God. The afternoon ended with tea and cakes and an opportunity to socialise.

Elizabeth Dunn

### Growing Dementia-Friendly Churches

Reverend Gaynor Hammond will lead a workshop on the spiritual and pastoral care of people with dementia at the Quaker Meeting Hall in White Rose Avenue, New Earswick, York YO32 4AD on Saturday June 25 from 10am to 1pm. Complimentary places are available to participants in the early stages of dementia and carers. For more information, including details of early booking discounts, visit [www.wellspringtherapy.co.uk](http://www.wellspringtherapy.co.uk)

## A DAY OF REPARATION AND CONSECRATION

Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley

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SATURDAY 16TH JULY 2016

Led by Fr James Benfield

Pilgrims should assemble at 11.30am in St Peter's Anglican church, Osmotherley Village followed by a silent walk to the Shrine. to finish at 6pm approximately.

For further details, please contact:

Mrs Marie Bedingfield

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## NEWS

# Crossing The Threshold: A Priest's Perspective

**When we were asked to take part in the pilot scheme of Crossing the Threshold for the diocese I had no idea what to expect. However, as evangelisation and re-evangelisation are among my priorities as a parish priest I accepted the invitation.**

I won't say with alacrity or great enthusiasm – I am not a fan of “programmes” or “meetings for meetings' sake”. One point that sold it to me was that it would be only for a year and that it “wouldn't involve lots more work for Father”.

The first task was to identify the teams (one active and one prayerful) who could help launch and embed the experience of the project. After much thought and prayer I decided to approach individuals who I thought would resonate more with “your average Catholic in the pew”. So often people who volunteer are the same people who volunteer for everything. I wanted new blood.

Our team met for the preparatory sessions. The premise was very simple and the team picked it up very quickly: find five straightforward projects that will help people (mainly but not exclusively “the lapsed”) to Cross the Threshold of the church door. Our aim was also to make the parish think of ways in which we could cross the threshold in the other direction, to help people to enter.

For my team the preparatory sessions were too long – they wanted to get on with “doing” not “talking”. Three tasks were given to us to start with – compose a prayer for evangelisation, an event at Christmas and an event at Easter. Two other ways of reaching out were left entirely up to us.

The prayer was said after almost every Mass throughout the year. People I didn't expect said how much they appreciated it. Prayer cards were given to the housebound who became the backbone of our “prayer team”.

We advertised all our events on the local radio, local press and websites. We also had big banners made proclaiming that all were welcome. We sent leaflets home with every child from our primary school and involved their choir. Two ladies came saying they had seen the banners and decided to visit because, “We just live round the corner but had never been in till now”.

What really appealed to me was that it was something we already did – from my perspective it needed very little further input. The team took on the advertising, getting

banners made and flyers printed. Even better, the meetings were brisk and to the point.

It quickly became apparent that this wasn't going to simply run for the year. Small things done well became a mantra and we decided to embed an outward-looking mentality that couldn't be done in a short time.

Our bravest step was deciding to keep the church open and advertising the fact. There was some doubt about vandalism and theft – especially as the Anglican church round the corner had been desecrated. Nevertheless, we decided to do it. We had a very simple A-board made inviting people to come in, look round, sit quietly, say a prayer and light a candle. We also renewed our noticeboard outside. Again, no extra work for me, but a huge success. The number of times I have heard since how much people appreciate having the church open has been amazing. We have had two “incidents” (not, fortunately, very serious ones) and we are investigating getting cameras installed.

We held a memorial service in November for all those who have died since I took over as parish priest. We gave out stars made by the primary school for people to remember their deceased loved ones. They were invited to write names on the back and they were hung on an Advent Tree. People loved both the service and the tree. Many came to collect the

stars after the tree was taken down. The project was so successful that the team wanted to keep things going.

Our second carol service was attended by over 100 more people than the first year – simply down to advertising and word of mouth. We initiated a “Welcome Back” series of meetings for the Christmas and Easter once-or-twice-a-year attendees – inspired by something one of the team saw in Florida. These were less successful and we need to think how to get notification of these across better. However, we still think there is mileage in them.

This Lent there was a city-wide series of meditation services led by Confirmandi and the recently confirmed, as well as a few older people. They were initiated by Father John Bane in his parish and he kindly extended the invitation to all Catholic churches in York. They were very successful at getting our young people (and therefore their parents!) involved.

We tried to make the church more “user-friendly” by displaying prayers next to statues. An explanatory poster was designed by one of the congregation and inspired by a French one seen in Carcassonne – we'll take ideas from anywhere! Our latest project is to revamp our porch. We hadn't realised how dull and cluttered it had become – very

unwelcoming. We are also planning a parish picnic.

For me it has been a great experience – nothing huge, nothing outstanding, but everything sowing little seeds. The team have done most of the work. The planning meetings are simple and effective. We have a review after each event to see how it is going and what we could do better. The object was to try, even if nothing worked – but it actually has worked: We've had people enquiring about the Journey in Faith that they saw on the noticeboard outside. We've had local people in the church who have never been in before. We've had people returning after a while away – not necessarily 100% committed yet but at least interested. And the numbers at Mass have gone up – the doormen even asked if we could have extra benches! (We don't really need them – yet). I feel it hasn't wasted anybody's time, it's been things we could achieve without massive efforts and it has not been a burden at all to me. It is a project I'd wholeheartedly recommend to any parish.

**Canon Alan Sheridan, St George's, York**

● For more information and help with starting a similar Crossing the Threshold project in your parish, please contact Deacon Vince Purcell at the Curial Office.

## St Gabriel's Is Dedicated At Last

**St Gabriel's Church in Ormesby, Middlesbrough, has finally been dedicated some 40 years after it was built.**

During a beautiful and very moving ceremony, Bishop Terry sprinkled the altar, church and people with holy water and went on to anoint the altar generously with holy chrism, representing the presence of Christ among his people.

The walls of the church were also anointed before finally the building and the people were incensed as a symbol of the holiness of the Body of Christ.

Bishop Terry paid tribute to all the people and priests who had worshipped in the building during its life so far.

He asked the packed congregation to continue taking the Gospel into the community around them and to pray for God to give him the strength he needs.

During a weekend visitation to St Gabriel's and neighbouring Corpus Christi, Bishop Terry celebrated Masses and visited the sick alongside parish priest Canon John Lumley.

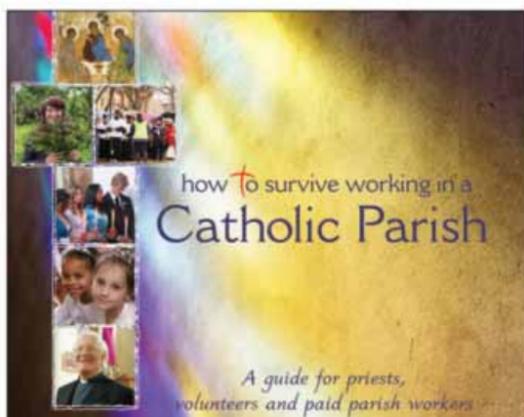
The dedication was followed by a parish celebration in the hall.

More pictures of the event can be found on the parish's new Facebook page by searching for “stgabrielandcorpuschristiparishes”.



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All Tuesday Lunchtime Recitals begin at 12.45pm and last for around 45 minutes. Make a date in your diary! Admission is free. Voluntary donations are welcomed. For more information on the recitals and all music at St Mary's Cathedral, look out in forthcoming issues of the Catholic Voice and visit <https://sites.google.com/site/middlesbroughcathedralsmusic>

**Tim Harrison, Diocesan Director of Music**

# Apostleship Of The Sea Supports Stricken Seafarers

**A seafarer who sustained serious injuries at sea and was taken to hospital in Hull has been supported by Catholic charity Apostleship of the Sea (AoS).**

The 22-year-old Indian seafarer was knocked over by an eight-metre wave as he went to assist a colleague who had gone on deck to secure a piece of equipment. The incident left him with a damaged spine and serious injuries to his left shoulder and arm.

His ship was able to sail to Immingham port where the seafarer was seen by a doctor. A quick examination showed he was very fortunate not to have been paralysed and admission to hospital in Grimsby was followed by transfer to the Regional Neurosurgical Centre at Hull Royal Infirmary.

AoS Hull ship visitor Keith Rodgers saw him in hospital almost every day and sometimes twice a day.

"I was able to put into action our local emergency plan established by our port chaplain Anne McLaren," Keith said. "We gave the seafarer a mobile phone so he could contact his parents who initially had no real knowledge of what had happened to their son.

"Later I was able to organise internet access which allowed him to be in touch with his employing shipping company as well."

When Keith saw him for the first time, the seafarer was lying flat on his back in a cubicle, staring at the ceiling and in a desperate state – not knowing if he would ever go to sea again to continue his chosen career.

"By the time he left hospital he could walk unaided although he was in a spinal brace and had a splint on his left wrist. He was, needless to say, in much better spirits," he said.

"During many hours together we were able to talk about the young man's hopes and aspirations and I would like to think I helped to encourage him in his positive outlook."

Keith said in this case, the shipping company did what they could to help the seafarer – they eventually arranged repatriation to India by Business Class in view of the injuries – and the local agent was very good also.



Keith Rodgers were the injured seafarer

"However, the Apostleship of the Sea was able to give some personal and local care to this seafarer, which other professional bodies cannot do," he added.

The seafarer is now back home in India and hopes to make a full recovery. Keith keeps in contact with him via email and has promised to meet him if he ever docks at Immingham in the future.

AoS will hold its annual Sea Sunday appeal at local parishes on July 10. Please give generously as your donations enable them to sustain their ministry supporting seafarers.

Visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/sea-sunday](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/sea-sunday) for more information.

## A Contemplative Response to Austerity

**Meditatio Seminar**

**Wednesday 13 July 2016: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm**  
**The Curve, Teesside University, Southfield Road, Middlesbrough TS1 3JN**

This is a free event but you must register if you wish to attend. Light refreshments and lunch included.  
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This Meditatio Seminar will explore a contemplative and compassionate response to the prevailing years of austerity that have hit some of the poorest communities across Middlesbrough and Redcar & Cleveland. Drawing inspiration from a range of speakers and workshops, we will explore together the many advantages of balancing social action with heart inspired faith based values that seek to empower and enable both individuals and communities.

Keynote Address:

**Laurence Freeman OSB**, Director and Spiritual Leader of The World Community for Christian Meditation.

In the Chair:

**The Rt Revd Paul Feguson**, Bishop of Whitby and Chair, Together Middlesbrough & Cleveland

Speakers:

**Bethany Eckley**, Director Research and Policy at Church Urban Fund: **Fullness of Life Together – Re-imagining Christian Engagement in our Communities**

**Very Rev Canon Derek Turnham**, Episcopal Vicar for Christian Discipleship/Diocesan Communications Officer: **The role of Caritas and the Catholic Social Action Network**

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## NEWS

# A Vineyard Of God's Love



Rachel's Vineyard volunteer Susan Walsh

**Most women who arrive at the start of a Rachel's Vineyard retreat have already judged themselves as unworthy of love – from either God or themselves.**

Over the weekend that follows, the job of the volunteer team members is to ease their crippling burden of grief and guilt by helping them see that God's mercy is a gift for each and every one of us.

Rachel's Vineyard was started in America in 1995 by Doctor Theresa Burke. As a young Catholic woman training to be a psychologist, she carried out some research involving troubled young women and discovered that many had undergone an abortion in the past. She gradually identified a devastating set of symptoms that can include depression, anxiety, panic attacks, suicidal thoughts, guilt, low self-esteem, self-hatred, fear and an inability to maintain healthy intimate relationships. These have come to be known as post-abortion syndrome (PAS) and can be indicators that someone is suffering from the trauma of abortion.

Inspired by her faith, Theresa developed a programme to help people, based on the living words of Jesus Christ in the scriptures. Twenty years on, Rachel's Vineyard now offers more than 750 retreats each year in more than 25 countries.

Part-time teacher Susan Walsh, a parishioner of Ampleforth and a volunteer team member and developer, has seen for herself the devastating impact abortion can have.

"Women – and men – can become isolated and locked in a downward spiral, feeling so far from God and themselves that they can't find any forgiveness, peace or reconciliation," she says. "Their true feelings are usually suppressed because it's taboo to talk about, fearing they would meet the same condemnation from others that they already experience inwardly.

"In this country alone, tens of thousands of pregnancies each year are ended by abortion. Women are often coerced into abortion or choose it because they are frightened by the reality of the pregnancy and they don't often consider adoption, for instance, as an alternative way forward.

"If they come to the point where they realise they need help, they might search on the internet and find Rachel's Vineyard. And if they then find the courage to come on the weekend, that's a huge step forward, because so much of the work is actually getting them there. Once there, God's grace can flow by entering into the shared group process, which

will allow them to experience their grief with Christ in a safe emotional space."

The team is made up of a facilitator, a counsellor, a priest and other volunteers who work very closely, praying for participants before, during and after the weekend.

"The welfare of each person is treated with the utmost care and confidentiality," says Susan. "The team are also supported in prayer by the extended family of our faith communities."

Although the programme is about acknowledging the truth, it isn't a talk therapy.

A number of carefully chosen "Living Scripture" passages are gently introduced and participants are invited to place themselves in the story. After that, they each share their experience of what the events depicted mean to them. Simple props and music are used in conjunction with the scripture meditations to help reveal the truth about their experience.

Theresa Burke says: "Jesus will encounter the wounded soul through the process of the retreat, according to his perfect will and timing. Everyone is invited to trust this process, as it is a gift from the Holy Spirit."

During the weekend, the women have the opportunity to tell their own story – often the first time they have ever done so.

"Some people have never even said the word 'abortion', it's so painful and raw," says Susan. "We lead them towards discovering that their truth is full of painful emotions, such as anger, and these are part of the grieving process. It is then that they can move into a time of grace."

The weekend includes time in front of the Blessed Sacrament and there's always a priest available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

"It's a bit like the Easter story – the first 24 hours is entering the tomb and acknowledging the reality and darkness of where they are, naming the emotions they are feeling and discovering that the other participants are feeling them same as them.

## Pam's Story

**I had an abortion when I was 18 and spent 40 years burying the guilt and shame. Four years ago I was invited to attend a Rachel's Vineyard retreat in Ireland.**

I was very frightened and it took a lot of courage to get on that plane because I felt that everyone could see a big "A" written across my forehead.

At the retreat centre I was met by a team of people who were very caring, very supportive and very non-judgemental.

Then I met the other ladies who were attending the retreat with me. It was very healing just to be in a safe environment with people who were going through exactly the same emotions that I was.

At the beginning of the weekend I never believed I would feel forgiveness. How could God forgive me for something I could never forgive myself for?

But by the end of it I knew that God had forgiven me and that I had forgiven myself. I also knew that all the fear, the shame and the guilt had disappeared into the abyss, never to return and harm me again.

I've been completely healed of the abortion and now facilitate retreats myself. I want the healing I've received to be used by God as an instrument to bring other men and women to the place I've found.

For 40 years I thought I had grey eyes. After the retreat I realised they were blue.

Pam Nelson

"They move through powerful emotions and, after lots of tears, are gradually led into the time of resurrection on Sunday morning.

"By then, they're usually able to begin to see there is hope for their future and that it's possible for them to live without that burden dominating their lives.

"The job of the team is to be completely non-judgmental, compassionate and nurturing, and to offer ourselves wholeheartedly, day or night, giving unconditional love.

"By being alongside them in this way, they begin to realise they're not unlovable and that it's not the unforgivable sin because God's mercy is bigger than we can possibly imagine.

"We're facilitating a very personal, face-to-face encounter with Jesus, and that usually happens for everyone at some point on the weekend. Occasionally it doesn't – God

sometimes works in other ways and at other times.

"But we've had so many letters saying, 'I can't believe how much my life has changed'. Others have told us Rachel's Vineyard literally saved their lives, because if they couldn't find God or forgiveness, they were going to end it.

"It's about healing and bringing people who feel so unworthy back into a place where they can lead a fuller life, and perhaps have their faith rekindled, or ignited. It's about restoring relationships, with God, and self. That's why we volunteer to do this."

For more information about Rachel's Vineyard, including details of forthcoming events, or to make a donation, visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk).



The Child Who Was Never Born by Slovakian sculptor Martin Hudáček

**LOURDES CORNER**

# Join Bishop Terry In Walsingham And Italy

**Bishop Terry invites us to join him on two diocesan pilgrimages this year and next...**

Preparations are being made for our annual pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday October 1 and Sunday October 2.

Walsingham is our national shrine to Our Lady. Pope Francis in declaring the Year of Mercy invites us all to make a pilgrimage, no matter how short or far. A pilgrimage is an opportunity to spend time away to reflect and pray. I hope you will consider taking part in this year's pilgrimage.

Mary tells us in the Gospel, "Do whatever he tells you." Mary is the one who points the way to her Son as we contemplate the invitation to experience the Father's mercy.

The next diocesan pilgrimage is to Italy, San Giovanni Rotondo and Assisi, from Monday June 5 to Friday June 9 2017.

Our pilgrimage begins by visiting the places linked to St Padre Pio, an opportunity to discover the life of the saint and the influence he made through his spirituality.

We then move to Assisi and discover the faith and spirituality of St Francis of Assisi. Both had a powerful contribution to make to the people of their own day. Today they are an example to us of how to be a witness to the world.

## Living Theology Draws The Crowds

**Bookings are already up ahead of this summer's Living Theology weekend at the recently refurbished Bar Convent in York.**

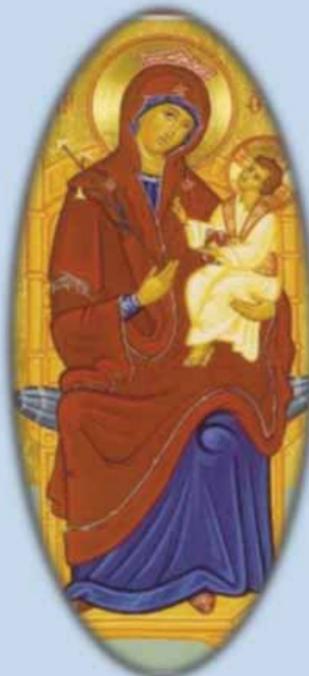
Father Nicholas King SJ, who has published his own translation of the Greek bible with a clarifying commentary, will explore the biblical background to Catholic Social Teaching, including Human Dignity, Solidarity and the Option for the Poor.

Father John Moffat SJ will continue this theme by talking about the Common Good, including Pope Francis's vision in *Laudato Si'*, as well as reflecting on Ethics for Christians in the 21st Century.

The third speaker, Father Michael Smith SJ, will discuss the ideas of the scientist, priest and mystic Pierre Teilhard de Chardin and the Love of God as understood in St John's First Letter.

The courses will take place from the evening of Friday July 29 to teatime on Sunday July 31. Early booking is advised to secure your first choices. For more information see the York pages of [www.livingtheology.org.uk](http://www.livingtheology.org.uk) or call Patricia Egerton on 01642 645732. Discounts are available for full-time students, please apply for details.

Patricia Egerton



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**01/02 October 2016**

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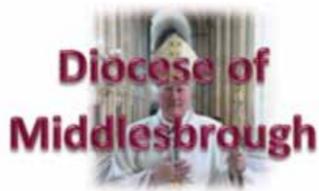
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Accommodation will be in single/twin/triple rooms with shared facilities. Please return to Kath Gallagher, Diocese of Middlesbrough, 50a The Avenue, Middlesbrough TS5 8QT. A non refundable deposit of £25 per person is required with this application, cheques should be made payable to Diocese of Middlesbrough (Walsingham)



**5 JUNE: MONDAY** We fly from Leeds Bradford airport at 07.30 to Naples arriving at 11.30, where we are met by a representative and transfer to Pietrelcina, the village where Padre Pio was born. Visit the Convento dei Frati Minori Capuccini (with the museum dedicated to the Saint), Padre Pio's house, Chiesa di Santa Maria degli Angeli, Chiesa di Sant'Anna and ancient village. Possibility to have lunch in restaurant. In the afternoon depart to San Giovanni Rotondo. Dinner and overnight.

**6: JUNE TUESDAY** All the day is dedicated to the visit of the places tied to Padre Pio's life and activity : Convento dei Frati Minori (with the original cellar of the saint), Chiesetta di Santa Maria delle Grazie, Chiesa Maggiore di Santa Maria delle Grazie, Nuova Chiesa di Padre Pio. Time to purchase Lunch. (or to attend Mass) In the afternoon transfer to Monte Sant'Angelo to visit the Sanctuary dedicated to St Michele the archangel, where Padre Pio had the famous "appearance". Dinner and overnight.

**7: JUNE WEDNESDAY** After breakfast transfer to Assisi, on route we have time to stop for lunch. In the afternoon we arrive to Lower Assisi to enjoy a guided visit of the Basilica of Santa Maria Degli Angeli, including the Porziuncola. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

**8 JUNE THURSDAY** In the morning we are joined by a guide for the morning, and are transported by minivans to visit St Francis's hermitage where we enjoy the peace of the surrounding countryside. We then continue on to visit San Damiano. Finally we are transported to visit the Basilica of St Clare where the minivans leave us to then leisurely stroll down to the Basilica of St Francis and in turn back to the hotel. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

**ITALY –San Giovanni Rotondo and Assisi Pilgrimage led by Bishop Terence Patrick Drainey Monday 5 June – Friday 9 June 2017**

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- ✓ Lunches
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I wish to confirm \_\_\_ place(s) on the 5 day Pilgrimage to Italy departing on Monday 05 June – Friday 09 June 2017. I understand the information recorded on this registration form will be used by Kath Gallagher as co-ordinator to compile and submit documentation which will be used by the airline, coach operators, hotels and ground service staff as applicable for the confirmation of services required. I enclose my/our deposit(s) for £\_\_\_\_ (€260 per person) and a copy of my/our passport(s). **\*Please note that Names MUST BE AS PER YOUR PASSPORT, Any changes will incur additional charges.**

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**LOURDES**

# Paddy And Micki's Anglo-Irish Adventure

**Two Lourdes helpers are taking on an Anglo-Irish "Chase the Sun" motorbike challenge to raise funds to help supported pilgrims join our pilgrimage.**

English-born pilgrimage doctor Paddy O'Neill, pictured playing the guitar in Lourdes, and Derry-born brancardier Micki Coyle will set off at sunrise from Lowestoft, the most easterly point of the British mainland, and try to reach Dingle, the most westerly point on the Irish coast, before the sun sets.

The ride will take place on Saturday June 25 and Sunday June 26, the weekend after the longest day, giving them their best chance of completing the challenge in time.

Money raised will go the Middlesbrough Diocesan Pilgrimage Lourdes fund to help people who want to go to Lourdes to realise their dream.

"We're both part of a team of helpers that includes doctors, nurses and other volunteer carers from all kinds of backgrounds who go each year to Lourdes, a place of pilgrimage and healing," says Paddy.

"We have seen at first hand the effect that going to Lourdes can have and we want to make that experience available to others who won't be able to get there without support."

To sponsor Paddy And Micki, please visit [www.gofundme.com](http://www.gofundme.com) and search for "chase the sun".



## Knitters United!

**Parishioners of all ages from St John the Evangelist in Easingwold contributed blankets to the many collected to go to Lourdes with our supported pilgrims.**

Cath Cavanagh saw the appeal from Head Handmaid Chris Tillotson in *The Voice* and asked for donations of knitted squares, thinking the parish might contribute one or two blankets.

She was amazed at the enthusiasm from some who had never knitted before and others who were housebound and enjoyed the challenge, while a few experienced knitters presented bags of squares or even a whole blanket.

Children were encouraged to help knit a square in school or at home. Cath also enlisted the help of her own family including her children, husband and mother to sew the squares together. She was delighted that many in the community helped, even some non-church attenders who thought it was such a worthwhile cause.

The parish produced 12 blankets in total,

each with a label sewn on sending love and prayers to the pilgrims. Cath said everyone involved had enjoyed it so much, bringing all ages together. She is now asking Chris what they can do next to help!

Chris said the response to the appeal had been overwhelming and promised all donations will be put to good use.

"I'd like to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to making the pilgrimage that little bit better for our supported pilgrims," she said.

"They will enjoy the cakes and biscuits and the china donated last year which will also be used throughout the week and especially on the Tuesday, when we serve a vintage tea party.

"Not forgetting our schools and colleges, who have some wonderful surprises in store for our supported pilgrims which we'll tell you about next month.

"You will all be remembered at the Grotto and a candle will be lit for your intentions."

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## Formation Day Thanks

**Organisers of the Lourdes Formation Day held at Trinity Catholic College would like to thank everyone who attended.**

An amazing turnout of more than 135 helpers from across the diocese made the day a great success. The event started at 10.30am with a welcome message and prayer from Bishop Terry and included workshops on handling and lifting, safeguarding, personal care and CPR, along with a session on listening.

The day finished with Mass and our numbers swelled to more than 200 when we were joined by some of our supported pilgrims who are travelling to Lourdes this year.

Head of Hospitalite John Brown gave a special mention to those from Hull and other outlying areas who made the long journey to take part.

"It's a privilege to represent such a dedicated group of people," he said. "The supported pilgrims I spoke to expressed their appreciation for being invited to meet everyone."

Comments on the feedback forms included... "I thought the day provided time out of a busy life schedule to reflect on so many important and different aspects of our shared time together in Lourdes as members of

Lourdes Hospitalite. I feel so blessed to be part of our Lourdes family."

"I'd like to thank you and everyone else who helped make today's day of formation such a success. I thought the venue was great, the speakers were interesting and informative, lunch was excellent and I really enjoyed the opportunity to meet up with fellow pilgrims before we go off on our pilgrimage."

"What a wonderful day! You have to be congratulated for all your hard work in making it such a success."

"Great to meet up with our Lourdes family and I always feel that in a lot of ways it is the start of the pilgrimage!"

The organisers would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended and all those who gave presentations.

A special thanks to Trinity Catholic College and their staff for facilitating our day. The catering was exceptional and nothing was too much trouble.

There was also an amazing display of blankets, which have been made and donated from across the diocese. They were all blessed at the Mass.

**LOURDES**



Members of HCPT Group 122, which covers York, North and East Yorkshire, had a great time during their annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. Photos by Johan Bergström-Allen

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# Out & About around the Diocese

**BISHOP TERENCE PATRICK DRAINEY ENGAGEMENTS FOR JUNE 2016**

1-4 Attends Annual Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

7 Attends meeting of Ushaw Trustees at Hinsley Hall 11.00am Celebrates Mass and confirmations at St Paulinus, Guisborough 7.00pm

8 School Visits:  
Morning - SS Mary & Joseph, Pocklington 9.00am  
Afternoon - St Mary's, Market Weighton 2.00pm

9 Attends presentation on the new Rite of Marriage at Burn Hall Hotel, York 2.00pm Celebrates Mass and Confirmations at Sacred Heart, Hull 7.00pm

11-12 Parish visitation to Our Lady & St Edward, Driffild All weekend

12 Attends Service of Thanksgiving to mark the Queen's 90th birthday at Ripon Cathedral 3.00pm

13 Attends Canon Michael Ryan's Golden Jubilee Celebration at St George's, York 7.00pm

14 Attends meeting of Yorkshire Brethren at Weetwood Hall Hotel, Leeds 10.00am Attends Vice-Chancellor and Warden's Summer Garden Party at Hollingside House, Durham 7.00pm

15 Visit to HMP Full Sutton 9.30am Celebrates Mass and confirmations at St George's, York 7.00pm

16 School Visits:  
Morning - St Charles', Hull 9.00am  
Afternoon - St Richard's, Hull 2.00pm

18 Celebrates Mass for Catholic Women's League at Our Lady's, Acomb 12noon

18-19 Parish visitation to St Aelred, York All weekend

20 Celebration to welcome the Relics of St Anthony of Padua at St Mary's Cathedral 12noon

21 Attends meeting of Bishop's Council at Curial Office, Middlesbrough 11.00am Attends meeting of Council of Priests at Curial Office, Middlesbrough 1.30pm Celebrates Mass and confirmations at St Hilda's, Whitby 7.00pm

22 Attends St George's Scarborough 40th Anniversary celebrations 1.30pm

24 Attends CSAN Board of Trustees at Romero House, London 12noon

**1 Wednesday**  
**6.30pm** The Secular Franciscan Order meets at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details

**6.30pm** Latin Mass at the Church of St Charles, Jarratt Street, Hull, HU1 3HB Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church

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

**3-5 Friday-Sunday**  
'God in the Ordinary' led by Fr Kieran Monaghan. Contact the Hospitality

Office, Ampleforth Abbey, tel 01439 766486/766889 for further details

**4 Saturday**  
**2.00pm** Pilgrimage for Life to the Lady Chapel, Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Meet at the first Station of the Cross at 2pm to pray for life and an end to our abortion culture, and continue in prayer to the 3.30pm Mass. All welcome. Contact: Patricia Sammon, tel 07747 698553 or 0113 258 2745 or e-mail: patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com for details  
York Catholic History Day at the Bar Convent, York. Contact Judith.smeaton@btinternet.com or 01904 704525 for details

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

**7 Tuesday**  
**12.45pm-1.30pm** St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Summer Lunchtime Recital with leading classical guitarist Jonathan Richards. Free admission; tea and sandwiches; voluntary donations welcome  
**7.00pm** 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

**8 Wednesday**  
**10.30am-3.30pm** 'Love after Love' with Revd Kevin Hayden, St Bede's Pastoral Centre, 21 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. Contact 01904 464900, email: admin@stbedes.org.uk  
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church  
**10.30am** The Life Ascending Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hessle meets after the Morning Mass  
**10.30am** The Life Ascending Group at St Leonard and St Mary, Malton  
**2.30pm** Prayer Group at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New members welcome

**10 Friday**  
**7pm-8.30pm** Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact: John, Tel: (01759) 380415 for further details  
**7.30pm** Marian Evening at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough - Rosary, Holy Mass, Talk, Witness. Contact Marie Bedingfield, tel (01642) 530739 for further details  
**7.30pm-9.30pm** Bible study at English Martyrs, York. Contact: Lukasz Druzic,

Tel: 07540 981429 for further details including confirmation of venue

**11 Saturday**  
**12 noon** AGM Middlesbrough Diocese Union of Catholic Mothers commencing with Mass at 12 noon, St Aelred's, York

**12 Sunday**  
**11.00am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH.  
**12 noon** Sung Latin Mass at St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**4.00pm** Mass for Young Adults aged 18-30, followed by a simple meal, at the Chapel, Mission House, St Thomas More, Kirkham Row, Beechwood, Middlesbrough  
**6.00pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF  
**6.00pm** Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact Tel: (01642) 818203 for further details

**13 Monday**  
**7.30pm** Justice & Peace meet at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact: Nan Saeki, Tel: (01904) 783621 for further details

**14 Tuesday**  
**12.45pm** Hull and District Catholic Women's Luncheon Club meet at the Kingston Theatre Hotel  
**12.45pm-1.30pm** St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Summer Lunchtime Recital. Free admission; tea and sandwiches; voluntary donations welcome  
**2.00pm - 4.00pm** The Life Ascending Group, York West meets at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr Kelly Room  
**7.30pm** The Knights of St Columba, Council 95, meet at the Council Chambers, English Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York

**15 Wednesday**  
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church  
**8.00pm** The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet at St Charles Borromeo Church, Jarratt Street, Hull

**17 Friday**  
**7.30pm** 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://readingthe.summa.blogspot.com/>

**18 Saturday**  
Cleveland Newman Circle summer trip to Markenfield Hall  
**7.30pm** Sacred Heart Parish Dance (Paul O'Sullivan) at the Erimus Club, Cumberland Road, Middlesbrough, TS5

6JB. Tickets from Eddie White, tel 01642 860227

**19 Sunday**

**11.00am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH.

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

**3.00pm** Catholic Fellowship Mass, St Francis of Assisi, Acklam TS5 4RL

**6.00pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

**21 Tuesday**

**12.45pm-1.30pm** St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Summer Lunchtime Recital. Free admission; tea and sandwiches; voluntary donations welcome

**5.30pm** Ushaw Lecture Series 'Medieval Stained Glass and Pugin's neo-Gothic Design' talk by Dr Claire Daunt in the Exhibition Lecture Theatre, Ushaw College

**22 Wednesday**

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church

**24-26 Friday-Sunday**

'The World Through the Word: Entering the Gospel of Creation' led by Andrew Carter and Fr Kevin Hayden. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, tel 01439 766486/766889 for further details

**27-30 Monday-Thursday**

'Tai Chi and Christian Meditation' led by Fr Christopher Gorst and Terry Doyle. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, tel 01439

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**27 Monday**

**1.30pm** Our Mother of Perpetual Help at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley; 1.30pm Rosary, 2pm Mass

**26 Sunday**

**11.00am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH.

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

**4.30pm** Sung Vespers with the Senior Girl Choristers at St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough, preceded by a 10-minute programme of organ music performed by visiting organist and followed by Mass at 5pm.

**6.00pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

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**28 Tuesday**

**12.45pm-1.30pm** St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Summer Lunchtime Recital. Free admission; tea and sandwiches; voluntary donations welcome

**2.00pm-4.00pm** 'Reflecting on Ignatius' own Experience and Finding his Spirituality' with Sr Agnese Jenčikova CJ, St Bede's Pastoral Centre, 21 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. Contact 01904 464900, email: admin@stbedes.org.uk for information

**29 Wednesday**

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church

**12.45pm - 3.00pm** The Life Ascending Group, York Central meets at St

Wilfrid's, York in the Upper Room after the 12.10 pm Mass

**30 Thursday**

**7.30pm - 9.00pm** 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

**30 June - 3 July**

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**7.00pm** Medjugorje Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Everyone welcome. Contact: Pat, Tel: (01482) 802483 for further details

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**1 Friday**

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**11.00am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH

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

**6.00pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

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**3 July**, Annual Postgate Rally, Ugthorpe, 3.00pm

**6 July**, Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley church every Wednesday

**8 and 9 July**, 'Embraced by Mercy: God's Ultimate Gift' with Fr Jim McManus, St Bede's Centre, 21 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. Contact 01904 464900, email: admin@stbedes.org.uk

**15-17 July** 'Homeward Bound' B led by Fr Christopher Gorst. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, tel 01439 766486/766889 for further details

**16 July**, 11.30am, Pilgrimage of Reparation, Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley; meet at Anglican church in the village

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# The Story Of Bishop Lacy And Our Lady Of Perpetual Succour

Cardinal Vincent Nichols recently celebrated the 150th anniversary of the return of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help to public veneration. He took part in a procession and Mass at the Church of Saint Alphonsus Liguori in Rome where the icon is housed and which is also his "titular church" as a cardinal. Our Lady of Perpetual Succour is also our diocesan patron.

In this article that was first printed a few years ago, MARGARET TURNHAM looks at the devotion our first bishop, Richard Lacy, had to Our Lady under this title, leading him to be the first English bishop to place a diocese under her patronage in 1879.

The term Succour is used throughout because that is the translation preferred by Bishop Lacy. He felt the term "Help" which was the American translation of the Latin "Succurus" did not convey the whole meaning....

I have been fortunate enough to discover Bishop Lacy's own account of the growth of his personal devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, which gives a slightly different picture to that which had been put together previously, which tells of his own personal cure from a mysterious illness whilst a student in Rome.

This is one of the joys of historical research; new information can come to light which helps our understanding of events, or completes a story. In this case, it was the chance discovery of one of the earliest published English translations of the manual of devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour in 1884. It belonged to Bishop Thomas Shine, and it must be a coincidence that he too shared a love of Our Lady in this way long before he came to the Diocese of Middlesbrough.

Bishop Lacy felt privileged to be asked by the "sons of St Alphonsus, the special heralds of Mary's greatness" to write the preface for the first English translation of their manual of devotions. Dated March 14 1884 and written whilst he was staying at the English College in Rome, Bishop Lacy first gives a brief

explanation of the "true position of the Mother of God".

He goes on to tell of how his own personal devotion grew: "On April 26 1866 while yet a student in Rome, I was fortunate enough to witness the glorious procession in which the picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour was, for the first time borne from the Church of St Alphonsus through the streets of Rome: it was a sight never to be forgotten, and made a deep impression on my mind which time has not obliterated. What was my joy a few years later, to find myself placed at a Mission [in Bradford] where, through the zeal of the incumbent for his people's welfare, a copy of the famous Picture was procured and an altar erected under the influence of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour... I will conclude with one striking instance of our Lady's powerful help in a moment of supreme need, for the accuracy of which I can vouch."

He then tells how a Bradford cabman fatally injured in an accident, miraculously recovered consciousness, while Mass was being offered for him at the altar of Our Lady. The priest "had the happiness to administer to him the last consolations of religion. Immediately he relapsed into a state of unconsciousness and soon after expired".

I was puzzled that Bishop Lacy had made no mention of his own cure: the answer came a few pages later and it seems right that I use Bishop Lacy's own words to conclude this article. It is headed:

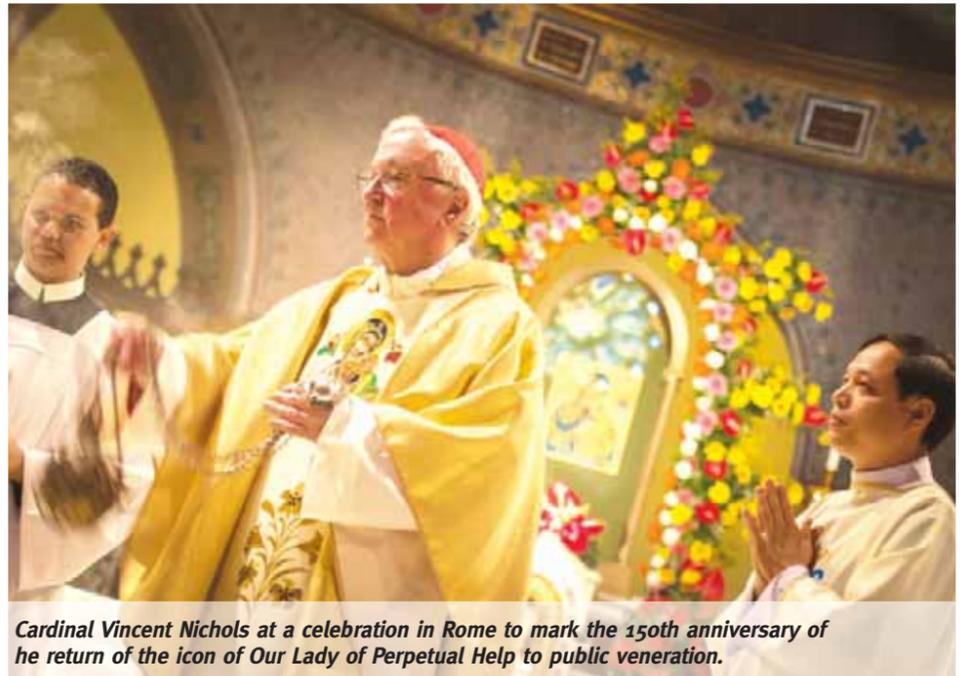
*Collegio Inglese, Roma*

*March 21 1884*

*My Dear Father Livius,*

*After having sent off to the printer my little preface, as I informed you in my last letter, my next step was to go on the 18th to the Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on the Esquiline and offer up the Holy Sacrifice for a very special intention.*

*Our Lady heard my prayer and vouchsafed me a miraculous cure of an internal ailment which has for the last nine years caused me much trouble and suffering, and has been a sad*



Cardinal Vincent Nichols at a celebration in Rome to mark the 150th anniversary of the return of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help to public veneration.

*drawback to me in my work. The cure was instantaneous and complete. At first I could hardly believe it. I felt confused at the thought of a miracle being wrought on me. It has, however, proved not to be imagination but reality.*

*I need not say how overwhelmed I felt with a sense of gratitude for such a favour. For the honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour I think this ought to be made known although if I were guided by my own natural instincts, I should prefer my name not to appear.*

*I wish you would get as many prayers of thanksgiving as possible for this extraordinary proof of Our Lady's loving heart. The good Fathers at St Alphonsus are all delighted and especially Father Douglas. Believe me my dear Father.*

*Yours faithfully in Christ, Richard, Bishop of Middlesbrough*

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### Answers

#### Connection question

1. Tom Conti 2. Rule the World 3. Pele 4. Lieutenant 5. Boston

Connection: Horses that ran in this year's Grand National (Ucello Conti and Silviniaco Conti, Rule the World, The Romford Pele, First Lieutenant, Boston Bob)

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