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The World Meeting of Families takes place every three years. It started in 1994, when Pope St John Paul II asked the Pontifical Council for the Family (now part of the Dicastery for Laity, the Family and Life) to establish an international event of prayer, catechesis and celebration that would draw participants from around the globe and that would help to strengthen the bonds between families and bear witness to the crucial importance of marriage and the family to all of society.

The last meeting was in Philadelphia in September of 2015 and the theme was *"Love is our mission: the family fully alive."* Previous meetings have been held in Mexico City, Valencia, Manilla, Rome and Rio de Janeiro. Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from August 21-26 2018, guided by the theme *"The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World"*.

Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. Each day will reflect on the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" chosen by the Holy Father and will include an enriching programme for adults of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions and an engaging and exciting programme for young people, as well as fun activities for children. The congress will also include daily celebration of the Eucharist, prayerful activities, exhibitions, cultural events and musical performances.

Pope Francis will be present for the last two days of the meeting, which will conclude with the celebration of Mass in Phoenix Park on Sunday August 26. Thousands of families and individuals from all over Ireland and the world are expected to attend. Some people may come together, others might come on their own, others as part of an organisation. Adults, youth and children are all

Sun Shines On Postgate Pilgrims

Hundreds of pilgrims came from all over the diocese to the annual Postgate Rally in honour of the English and Welsh Martyrs and Blessed Nicholas Postgate.

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The rally takes place in Egton Bridge and Ugthorpe in alternate years and this time was held in Ugthorpe, which was bathed in beautiful sunshine.

Bishop Terry was the preacher and principal celebrant at the Mass and was assisted by a large number of priests.

Two coaches brought some of the 259 people who attended. Pilgrims came from Beverley, Scarborough and Middlesbrough as well as surrounding villages and members of the Madonna House community at Robin Hood's Bay.

Around 25 people took part in the Walk for Vocations from St Hedda's Church, Egton Bridge, to St Anne's Church, Ugthorpe, ahead of the rally, praying for vocations to the priesthood for our diocese along the way.

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Bishop Terry concelebrating Mass





Some of the congregation in the fields at Ugthorpe







invited to take part.

Before that, of course, we will have our own particular diocesan celebration of the Assumption at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley, on Sunday August 12. Bishop John Crowley is joining us and will preach at the Mass. I am sure that you will all look forward to greeting him anew there. The Rosary begins at 2.30pm followed by Holy Mass of the Assumption at 3pm.

Let's pray that the weather will be good to us during in August, the traditional holiday month. Yours in blessed hope,



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'What Is God Asking Of Me?'

Diocesan vocation director FATHER WILLIAM MASSIE reports on a weekend spent helping men to discern whether they are called to be priests...

"I've had thoughts about the priesthood for years and they just won't go away." Vocation directors often hear such words when a man finally plucks up the courage to sit down and talk them through.

Such "thoughts" could be the personal call of Jesus Christ to become a priest, an "apostle", which means, simply, "one sent" – to tell people that they are infinitely loved by God and draw them into such a relationship through the sacraments.

Over a weekend at the beautiful Convent of the Bernadine Cistercian Sisters near Carnforth, 15 men aged between 20 and 60 were invited to consider whether the Lord might be calling them to be priests. They were offered the essential "tools for discernment".

Most priests discovered their call to be priests through the Mass. It's not rocket science: Mass is the physical place *par excellence* that Christ becomes most present to us. So Bishop Mark Davies of Shrewsbury encouraged the discerners to stay especially close to the Eucharistic Lord, in Adoration and at Mass.

A priest is not a priest for himself but for others. To be a priest is to accept a mission given to him by Christ after a pattern of "being sent" going back to the apostles and even further, to the Mission given by the Father to His Eternal Son.

So said Bishop John Arnold, a Yorkshireman, now Bishop of Salford. To any who thought themselves unworthy of such a call, he gave great reassurance by pointing out how, time and again, the first priests, the foundation stones of the Church, the apostles, let the Lord down, let themselves down.

James and John were greedy for power, Nathanael had a tendency always to imagine the worst and Peter – we all know about Peter's spectacular failure the night Jesus was arrested. And after his resurrection, Jesus did not rescind their call but actually confirmed the mission he had given these men.

What does it feel like to be called? How will I know? Father Eamon Mulcahy, a Spiritan Father based in Manchester, led us through the Scriptures, showing how God has always called and sent. And always there was the all-too-human response of unworthiness, weakness, fear. And then the reassurance that the means to respond would be given; for it is the Lord who is our rock of strength.



Bishop Terry and participants in a discernment weekend at the Convent of the Bernadine Cistercian Sisters near Carnforth

Finally, Bishop Terry, who was, of course, for many years in seminaries as a spiritual director and then rector, spoke with warmth and realism about the process of discernment. We are made by God for his Spirit to dwell in us in love, joy and peace.

And so when we experience these things we know we are "warm" in discovering where the Lord wants us to be. But we must beware of voices of negativity which may not be speaking on God's behalf – perhaps some of them those of friends or even family. Sometimes we may hear the seductive whispering of the Father of lies who wants to prevent us from knowing and following God's will. And in the "tool bag" we need nothing other than prayer, the word of God in the scriptures, the Eucharist, Confession and a spiritual guide. What will happen to our 15 discerners? Pray for them, and for a greater fervour in our parishes and schools to love and serve the Lord with generosity.

Pope Francis, with wisdom born of great experience, observes, "Wherever there is life, fervour and a desire to bring Christ to others, genuine vocations will arise." *(Evangelii Gaudium 107)*

Canon Stephen Joins Cathedral Chapter

There was a large congregation at the Cathedral on Tuesday June 19 for the installation of Canon Stephen Maughan as a member of the Cathedral Chapter.

Canon Stephen and Canon Michael Loughlin, who was his sponsor, together with the provost, Canon Michael Bayldon, were vested in their canons' robes as the procession of priests reached the altar.

Bishop Terry opened the celebration, after which the three canons came to the altar and Canon Stephen made a solemn Profession of Faith and gave his agreement to observe fully the constitution of the chapter and its secrecy arrangements.



Canon Stephen then signed the document of authorisation and was led to his seat in the chapter by the provost and Canon Michael.

The bishop reminded the congregation that the chapter of canons were his "wise men" and consultors in all matters of significance. He welcomed Canon Stephen to the chapter and assured him of his support for the future.

Mass started with the opening hymn, during which time the three canons vested as concelebrants and returned to the altar.

In his homily, Bishop Terry reminded us of the importance of penance and spoke of how hard it is to forgive – acknowledging that every one of us has experienced that dilemma.

At the end of Mass the bishop thanked all who had been involved in the preparation of the ceremony and joined the congregation in applause for Canon Stephen.

Dr Jim Whiston

Ecumenical Vespers In Guisborough



Richard Bendelow with the Roseberry Singers Choir at St Paulinus Church – Photo by Brian Gleeson

A religious tradition was revived when an ecumenical choral vespers service was held at St Paulinus Church in Guisborough.

Vespers is part of the Liturgy of Hours or Divine Office, the ancient form of marking the hours of the day through prayer, psalms and hymns.

The service was held on the eve of the Feast of St Barnabas and was led by St Paulinus parish priest, Canon Michael Bayldon, assisted by Rev Paul Peverell from Great Ayton Christ Church and Rev Adam Gaunt, rector of St Leonard's Church, Loftus.

Richard Bendelow, director of music at St Leonard's, conducted choirs from St Leonard's and Christ Church and the Roseberry Church Music singers.

Brian Gleeson

Deacon Bob Meets Princess Royal

Deacon Bob Shakesby met Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal at services charity the Not Forgotten Association's garden party at Buckingham Palace.

Together with four veterans who were all experiencing health problems after serving in the first Gulf War, Bob formed what is now the National Gulf Veterans and Families Association in the mid-1990s.

Since then the association has become a national charity

that Bob, from the parish of St Anthony and Our Lady of Mercy in Hull, continues to support.

The NFA was founded to foster camaraderie and friendship and enhances the wellbeing of services veterans and serving personnel.

Bob and his wife Denise were impressed that the Princess Royal took time to speak to all of the 64 veterans and personnel who were introduced to her.





Father Jack cuts his diamond jubilee cake - photo by Paul Terry

Father Jack Of Diamonds!

More than 250 people from three parishes came together in St Andrew's Church, Teesville, to celebrate the diamond jubilee of Father Jack McKeever.

Father Jack celebrated the Mass with Bishop Terry and 24 of his brother priests who travelled from all parts of the diocese.

Parishioners attended from the last two parishes he served as parish priest, St Gabriel's, Ormesby, and St Joseph's, Loftus, as well as St Andrew's, where Father Jack helps in his retirement.

Father Jack was ordained in 1958 at Thurles Cathedral before being appointed to the Diocese of Middlesbrough and his first parish, St Wilfrid's in York.

In his homily Father Jack described those early days in his new parish and meeting the parish priest for the first time, when he was issued with a list of rules and regulations.

When he had finished the priest asked Father Jack if he had anything to ask him.

"Yes," came the reply. "Where's the nearest racecourse?"

After the Mass, celebrations continued in St Andrew's Parish Hall.

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Children from St Peter's Church in Scarborough are pictured with Canon Eddie Gubbins and Father Albert Schembri at the First Holy Communion Mass



Family Day at Madonna House

Families from Scarborough received a warm welcome from the community at Madonna House Pastoral Centre during a visit to the picturesque coastal village of Robin Hood's Bay. Father Brian Christie began the day by celebrating Mass, which was followed by a shared picnic before the community gave talks to the fathers and then the mothers on the importance of being good and holy parents.

Sarah Barron

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Support Needed For HCPT's Great Gatsby Ball

HCPT Group 122 hosts its latest glittering Great Gatsby Ball at York Racecourse's Ebor Suite on Saturday October 6.

The evening includes a three-course meal, silent auction, raffle, casino and dancing, with money raised going to help the Hosanna House and Children's Pilgrimage Trust (HCPT) take disabled and disadvantaged young people from the York area on a pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes next Easter.

The group are looking for five businesses in the diocese to sponsor the event to cover overheads and ensure they start the evening in profit. Sponsorship costs £250 and businesses will receive advertising and two complimentary tickets. They also need auction and raffle prizes.

Tickets are £40 per person, which is reduced to £27 if you pay in full for a table of ten or more before July 31. Group and individual bookings are being taken and the dress code is flexible, with Great Gatsby era attire optional.

For enquiries or bookings please email group leader Claire Shanks at group122@hcpt.org.uk. Further information about the work of HCPT can be found here: www.hcpt.org.uk



Debbie Feehan and Andrea O'Hare get into the mood at a previous **HCPT Great Gatsby Ball**



There was a special day for St George's Primary School in Scarborough when year three pupil Cameron Cooper was baptised by Father Andrew Smith. Father Andrew explained the parts of the sacrament as the service progressed It was a very moving experience in front of the school and Cameron's own family and he said it was the best day of his life. Congratulations from the children and staff of St George's and welcome into God's family.

Excellence Award For York School

All Saints Roman Catholic School in York has received a prestigious award in recognition of its success in teaching STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects.

The school is the first in North Yorkshire to receive the National Railway Museum award after meeting seven criteria, including running extra-curricular activities, maintaining businesses and industry links, use of STEM ambassador volunteers and promoting STEM in the community.

One example of this work is a training programme in collaboration with local primary schools as the lead school in the Diocese of Middlesbrough Teaching Schools Alliance.

A certificate and trophy was presented to the Science Department during the inaugural York Schools Science Fair, which gave pupils aged 11-to-15 the chance to present their latest science projects and to learn more about STEM subjects.

As part of the fair, the National Railway Museum also ran a special event aimed at encouraging teenage girls to consider careers in traditionally male-dominated industries such as engineering.

Head of All Saints Bill Scriven said: "We are very proud of the students and STEM staff who have worked hard in their free time to contribute to today and make it a success. High-quality STEM provision and development is at the heart of our Teaching School Alliance.

"STEM subjects are so vital for the UK economy of the future and we are working to ensure that our students are equipped with the skills they need to contribute to a changing and increasingly technology-based job market."



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A Letter From Madonna House

A Father's Foolish Love

It was the stuff of nightmares. A little three-year-old girl, dressed in pink tutu and grasping a sparkling wand, froze on the stage of a recital hall as soon as the music began. Her three little companions commenced twirling and waving their wands, but our princess remained rooted in her spot. After an agonising minute, her father leapt on to the stage, scooped her up, grasped her hand in his to wave the wand



and proceeded to pirouette and prance with the others. Although he seemed like a lumbering giant beside the three-year olds, and was attired in shorts instead of a tutu, he knew the moves and finished the routine with a flourish. All hearts in that dance hall were melted by the sight of a father who didn't care how foolish he looked in coming to the rescue of his little girl.

"Oh, I wish I could have been shown such love," some of us may sigh. But we have. In our darkest moment, the Word leapt down from heaven, leaving behind the glory of his Godhead, and became a helpless babe, born in a poor cave. He took on our sins and died in ignominy, so that he could raise us to life eternal. Nothing was too much or too foolish for him. Someone once complained to me that a sceptic found his faith in a loving God ridiculous. I said, "It is ridiculous. God's love is unreasonable, foolish, too-good-to-be-true, and we can only thank him for it every day!"

Can you remember a time when you found yourself far from God, lost, floundering and frozen? Do you remember how you somehow found yourself in the arms of our Saviour, grateful for the rescue – chastened and humbled, perhaps, but secure in God's love? Or when you realised for the millionth time that you'd fallen into the same old temptation and sin? But the Lord was right there, washing away your shame and drawing you instead into his dance of love?

When I was a young director in Madonna House, I unwittingly hurt someone and I knew a simple apology wouldn't restore trust. In my helplessness, I remembered a promise I once heard that God can not only redeem our mistakes and sins, but can bring greater good than what had been before. Desperate for a healing and reconciliation, I begged God to do just that, and he swiftly moved. My sister and I became closer through that painful experience. It's perhaps a little harder to hope for such restoration when we have wounded our soul or others through sin, hardness of heart. But the Father will allow nothing to separate us from his love. He will somehow transform sin into something greater – mercy-restoring love.

The little girl frozen on stage left that recital even more secure in her father's love, and the three-minute dance moved the hearts of everyone in the audience. Much more than dance was given that night. A nightmare became a touch of heaven.

Papal Award For Dedicated Bridie



Bridie McHugh, front left, is pictured with her family after being presented with her Benemerenti medal Photo by Paul Terry

Father Peter Ryan presented the Benemerenti medal to St Andrew's, Teesville, parishioner Bridie McHugh in recognition of her outstanding work for the Eston Handicapped Fellowship and her loyalty to the church.

More than 200 people, included Bridie's family, friends and members of the parish, attended the ceremony during Mass in St Peter's Church, South Bank,

St Andrew's parish priest Canon Michael Loughlin said: "The Mass was a sheer joy. It was great to see so many people there all paying a lovely tribute to Bridie, a totally uplifting experience."

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Charity Seeks Volunteers To Support Teesside Families

Members of churches across the UK are supporting vulnerable families through Safe Families for Children – and now the Christian charity is appealing for more volunteers on Teesside.

Safe Families for Children opens the door into the community for Christian volunteers by connecting families needing support with those able to give it.

It partners with churches as a practical way to love our neighbours, engaging with and supporting vulnerable families in the local community – something churches are already eager to do.

Host family volunteers Tony and Lisa were matched with a grandmother who had care of her seven-year-old granddaughter with additional needs. Lack of a support network meant there was a danger of further breakdown in the family and the lady was facing the possibility of her granddaughter going into care.

The volunteers took the granddaughter out for afternoons and trips out to give her grandmother a respite break.

"It was just been a real blessing to see some really positive changes over the months," says Lisa. "I really feel it made a big difference for them to know there were people who cared and that there was a little bit of time when they didn't have the responsibility pressing in and had a bit of time for themselves."

Volunteers are recruited and trained in one of three roles. Host families look after a child for a couple of days to a couple of weeks, family friends befriend and mentor parents through difficult times and resource friends supply a wide range of goods and services the family needs.

Goals are set with the families, such as making friends in the community or providing DIY to make their homes a safe place for the children. Volunteers work alongside families to achieve these goals, whether for a day or over a period of up to six months.

You don't have to have lots of time or sign up for years. It's just working with the spare time available to do the ordinary things you do by yourself or with your family.

The charity's chief executive Keith Danby said: "Safe Families mirrors Jesus' call for us to welcome children. It's encouraging to see Christian volunteers from churches living out their faith and loving their neighbour.

"Isolation and family breakdown are big

issues today, and that's something we can all help with. Safe Families merely enables Christians to do what they already want to do, to reach out and love and serve those who are vulnerable, isolated, or struggling.

"It's a real opportunity for us as Church to work with the rest of society for the wellbeing of children and families."

Safe Families for Children is seeking to link more churches with struggling families across Teesside. Information about volunteering can be found at safefamiliesforchildren.com.

If you're interested in exploring this further either as an individual or as a church, email Becky Ward at beckyward@safefamiliesforchildren.com or call 07469 151503.

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The Cathedral Of The Rainforest



The almost complete new cathedral

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.

They demolished our cathedral in Basankusu in 2012. It was never intended to last so long. Built during the Second World War, cracks appeared as long ago as the 1980s. I visited in 2013 and a replacement building was progressing well.

A new cathedral was slowly rising from the middle of the rainforest – but this time, instead of fired clay bricks, it was being built of reinforced concrete and cement bricks.

The foundations would also be much more substantial to ensure that it would last much longer.

Now, in 2018, after many stops and starts, it is almost complete. The inauguration will take place in October.

There are other churches and chapels in Basankusu and Mass is always well attended. But there's always a need for a central place for everyone to come together. So the construction engineers made a concrete hardstand nearby with a corrugated metal roof over it, which became known as "the Hangar". For the last six years a familiar sight on Sunday mornings has been people walking to the Hangar with plastic chairs on their heads for Sunday Mass, so they'd have a seat when they got there.

I started my work with malnourished children three and a half years ago. I've walked past the cathedral building site every day that I've been to my centre. I'm pleased to say that in that time, as the cathedral slowly rose, we've treated 1,800 children with malnutrition and got them back on the road to good health. It hasn't been easy – and there have been many times when I've thought that the money would run out. Until now, we've



Francis outside the old Basankusu Cathedral in 2007

managed to keep afloat – and the vast majority of donations I receive come from people in the Diocese of Middlesbrough. So, it's your success as well!

We can't be complacent, of course, I'm always about two months away from running out of funds – but someone has always saved me at the last minute!

More good news from Basankusu is that our own Mill Hill Missionaries house, which burnt down two years ago, is almost rebuilt.

And, to top it all, we have just seen the ordination of the first Congolese Mill Hill priest since 1998 – with quite a few more coming up in the next few years.

Father Placide Elia MHM just missed being ordained in the new cathedral, but the inauguration was delayed because of the Ebola outbreak in neighbouring Mbandaka Diocese (which, I'm pleased to say, seems to be over). Congratulations to him!

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What The Eucharist Means To Me

As we continue preparations for Adoremus, the National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool on the weekend of September 7 to 9, we asked two of our priests and members of religious communities in our diocese what role the Eucharist plays in their lives...





A Hidden Life With Christ

"Your life is hidden with Christ in God" – this quote from Scripture sums up our Poor Clare life.

Pope Francis recently addressed contemplatives in "Seeking the face of God." He said the Eucharist is the heart of every baptised person and of consecrated life itself. Hence, it is at the very core of contemplative life. Indeed, the offering of your lives gives you a particular share in the paschal mystery of death and resurrection present in the Eucharist.

Our common breaking of the bread repeats and makes present Jesus' own offering of himself. The Lord "broke himself, breaks himself, for our sake" and asks us "to give ourselves to break ourselves for the sake of others".

St Clare, our foundress, is often depicted holding a Monstrance. This relates to an episode in her life when she took the Blessed Sacrament from the tabernacle and blessed the city of Assisi as the enemy, the Saracens, were attacking and about to scale the convent walls. They immediately fled, leaving the city in peace.

In our own way we try to be living Monstrances, holding out the Risen Lord to the world, interceding for humankind, something like a power station firing missiles across the world. Receiving the Eucharist daily, we try with the help of grace to become what we receive – another Christ.

Sister Colette, Monastery of St Joseph, Askham Bryan, York

Living Between Two Masses

Last summer as I was driving home, I glanced in the rear-view mirror and gasped at the fiery sun setting in a blaze of glory. And straight ahead was an enormous radiant moon rising above the sea.

Sandwiched between two beautiful luminaries, I remembered the favourite refrain of our foundress, Catherine Doherty: "I can live anything between two Masses."

The great liturgist, Dom Virgil Michael, said these words to her when it seemed that the nascent Madonna House was collapsing. "You are discouraged; you need the Mass," he said.



Why is this? Because the Lord Himself, the Light of the World, the source of Life, enters our body and soul, drawing us into a deeper union of love with himself.

We need only surrender to his spirit coursing through us, and we will have grace for everything. Catherine took these words to heart, and Madonna House lives. In Robin Hood's Bay, we are privileged to silently adore the Lord at the beginning and end of our day and to be fed by him each day at Mass. With yesterday's communion flowing into today's Eucharist, and the promise of tomorrow's gift of union ahead of us, what is there to fear?

Cheryl Ann Smith, Madonna House

Central To The Life Of My Parish

Whenever I bend to consecrate the bread and wine during Holy Mass, I am struck by the stillness that pervades the church. It is a stillness of anticipation that suggests that everyone present is waiting for something to happen. Perhaps, in fact, Christ's faithful are truly that – and they are expecting some*one*.

They are anticipating that meeting with Our Lord, Jesus Christ, that they have had so many times before, and of which they have never tired. They believe – with a quality that is akin to knowing – that Our Lord himself is there for them and desires to come to them, in all the neediness that



they bring to the Holy Sacrifice, week by week and day by day.

In this sense, the Eucharist – *The Lord's Sacrifice, the Medicine of Immortality,* the *Bread of Angels* given to humanity – is indeed central to the life of the Parish of Bridlington. This is certainly seen in the numbers who come even when Holy Mass is celebrated on weekdays. Like the early believers, Christ's faithful, here, are "faithful to the Breaking of the Bread." Like the Holy Martyrs, they "cannot live without the Eucharist." For this, our parish offers thanks to God.

Father Simon Leworthy



Father Peter Keeling, back left, with two Iragi asylum

A Celebration For All

I was ordained when Mass was said in Latin. People appreciated its certain sense of mystery. Unfortunately, very few knew what was going on, because they didn't speak Latin. People followed their own private devotions, while the priest celebrated in Latin. I know my mother and father usually said the Rosary while Mass was going on.

It was not a community celebration. Lay people took no part, with the exception of altar servers. The priest did everything. Frequent Communion was not a common practice. There were separate Women's Communion Sundays and Men's Communion Sundays. growing pains with these changes. As well as the introduction of English, there was the repositioning of the altar to emphasise that priest and people were worshipping together. So the priest faced the people. Then men and women started doing the readings from Scripture. After this men and women began distributing Communion at Mass.

For me, this sense of gathering together as a community and celebrating the Mass together, with all and sundry taking their part, was a life-enhancing change. It supports, inspires and encourages me, week by week, no matter what my mood is. Alleluia!

seekers and women from the parish who provide a weekly lunch for them

The Second Vatican Council brought in English and full lay involvement in celebrating the Mass. There were lots of

Father Peter Keeling

Adoremus Inspires Pray And Play Group

A new adoration group partly inspired by the Eucharistic Congress has been set up at St Edward's Church in Scarborough.

"Pray and Play" is for children aged up to seven and runs one Saturday each month from 10am to 11.30am.

It begins with a Bible story and a song before the children then go into church to adore Christ for ten minutes, followed by arts and crafts associated with the story.

Stories have included "Jesus and the children", "The little children of Fatima" and "God's creation".

Pope Benedict recommended that children be taught to appreciate spending time in the presence of the Eucharist as part of their preparation for First Communion.

All are very welcome. If any young families would like to be involved, please contact Canon Eddie Gubbins, Katherine Griffin or Oliver Barron.



CAFOD

Bishop Briefed On CAFOD In Africa

Bishop Terry welcomed two CAFOD country programme managers as he took the opportunity to learn more about CAFOD's work around the world.

Conor Molloy, who works on a tripartite agreement between CAFOD, SCIAF and Trocaire (CST) in Ethiopia, talked about the effects of the state of emergency imposed after huge anti-government protests in 2016 and the worst drought in living memory, which came as a result of the El Nino phenomenon.

A second El Nino affected more lowland areas and caused unprecedented ethnic clashes and more than two million people were displaced. One positive development was the talks between the Ethiopian and Eritrean governments that led to the recent peace declaration between the two nations.

There are currently two CST programmes in Ethiopia, the Women's Empowerment Programme and the Resilient Communities Programme.

The Women's Empowerment Programme builds on earlier work focused on livelihood enhancement and income generation.

Analysis showed that women earned more money but failed to retain control over household income or experience the kind of empowerment intended. A programme was then established with the specific aim of targeting women's empowerment.

CAFOD's work now has a much stronger social empowerment component, working directly to deal with the social factors preventing women and girls from thriving, including engagement with men and boys on women's empowerment issues.

The charity also supports women's shelters that provide refuge and support to vulnerable women, many of whom are victims of domestic abuse, violence and rape.

The Resilient Communities' Programme brings together CAFOD's livelihood, climate change adaptation, natural resource management and humanitarian response work into a single programme, enabling the charity to respond to the immediate needs of people and communities in times of crisis.

CAFOD also undertakes large-scale humanitarian and emergency response and drought response efforts have been underway since 2015.

Recently CAFOD has begun to support internally displaced people in southern Ethiopia.

Kayode Akintola told Bishop Terry that although Sierra Leone, where he works, is rich in natural resources, it is the sixth poorest country on the United Nations' index.

The Ebola crisis brought the country to its knees and faith leaders played a key role during the outbreak, as they were trusted by their local communities and could explain the need for the safe burials of victims.

He also reported on a mudslide around the capital city, Freetown, which has claimed more than 600,000 lives, and on the recently elected social government. Sierra Leone and the surrounding regions are especially vulnerable to the impacts of climate change and have witnessed an increase in natural disasters as a result, hitting poorer people the hardest.

CAFOD is working to limit the vulnerability of communities, focusing especially on women and youth, economic development, food security, water and health sanitation and hygiene and governance and advocacy. Specific activities include forming village savings and loans groups, providing technical and vocational training, introducing communities to sustainable agriculture practices and building water and sanitation facilities.

Bishop Terry thanked Conor and Kayode for



Bishop Terry with Kayode and Conor - Photo by Carol Cross/CAFOD

their visit and said there is a need to raise awareness and widen people's perspectives about the realities of life in other countries.

In other news, Share the Journey walks have been taking place around the diocese in schools and parishes, enhanced by the summer sunshine. Thanks to everyone who has organised a walk and promoted the campaign. Please add your miles to the totaliser and send in any campaign cards you have had signed.

Remember to pray for world leaders ahead of the UN meeting in September, when they will agree new global compacts on the treatment of migrants and refugees. There's still time to organise a walk over the next few months and all the resources you need are available from the CAFOD website cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Share-the-Journey

Vacancies for new volunteers – can you help? We have vacancies for new volunteers to promote our work in the Ryedale and North Yorks Moors parishes and school volunteers who will visit schools on our behalf in Middlesbrough and York areas. Also, anyone who can offer help with admin work in our volunteer centre for a few hours a week, please contact middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk

> Carol Cross, Community Participation Coordinator, CAFOD in Middlesbrough

Children Share The Journey

The children's liturgy group from Our Lady and St Edward's Church in Driffield learned about young people from other parts of the world during a walk in aid of CAFOD's "Share the Journey" campaign.

They prayed together and read the story of Mohammed, Ruth, Halima and Dainer, refugees who have to walk many miles to find safety, food and shelter, also taking time to consider the hardships these children and their families have to



endure.

The liturgy group enjoyed cold drinks on the way but recognised that for many children, this isn't an option.

As they met people out walking, the children showed them cards with the refugee children's names and personal stories on them.

The group walked a total of 69 miles, three miles each, and others from the church added their own walks to make the parish's running total 130 miles.



From the Archives

50 Years Ago

From The Hull Catholic Magazine, August 1968

On Tuesday July 9, War on Want held a money-raising event with entertainment. The Principal of Endsleigh offered the hall of the college and provided refreshments, all free of charge. The students generously put on the entertainment. 1,000 handbills were distributed, 20 posters displayed and further encouragement was given from the pulpit. As a result of all this, excluding nuns and students, about 20 people turned up, most of them non-Catholics.

100 Years Ago

From The Hull Catholic Magazine, July 1918

Canon Hall, who has been promoted to be the group leader of the Central (South) Division of Special Constables, asks some more Catholic men to join the ranks of the Specials. The numbers are getting low on account of many joining the army, and their places must be filled by older recruits. It is one way of "doing one's bit." Come! Give in your names and join up.

David Smallwood

Catholics Gather For Jervaulx Mass

Catholic from throughout North Yorkshire gathered in the stunning setting of Jervaulx Abbey's ruins for a procession and Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Hambleton Circle of the Catenian Association took up the call to reestablish the site for Catholic worship six years ago after an idea from Brother Andrew Burrell.

In 2012, brothers and families of Province 5 organised the first Catholic Mass since the dissolution of the abbey in 1537 and Mass has been celebrated each year since.

The date chosen was the anniversary of the execution of the 23rd and last Abbot of Jervaulx, Adam Sedbar, on the Feast of Corpus Christi in 1537.

Around 80 pilgrims gathered for the Mass and procession and parishioners from nearby parishes, St Wilfred's, Ripon, St Peter and Paul, Leyburn, St Mary and St Joseph, Bedale and All Saints, Thirsk, prepared and decorated four beautiful altars for the procession.

The processional canopy was kindly loaned by St Theresa's Church, Crossgates, Leeds, and members of St Wilfred's Schola Cantorum, led by Laurence Hughes, enhanced the singing. Celebrant Brother Robert Moore OH gave an inspirational sermon at what was his fourth Jervaulx Mass.

Jervaulx and its mother house Byland Abbey were the earliest Cistercian foundations in England. The order had close links with the promoter of this feast day, St Juliana of Liege, whose major shrine is within the ruins of the Cistercian Abbey of Villiers, Belgium.

Jervaulx is unique among North Yorkshire's four great Cistercian monasteries in being privately owned and Hambleton Catenians wish to thank Carol and Ian Burdon for allowing them to worship at their exquisitely maintained abbey. Hopefully this new tradition of worship and devotion will continue long into the future. Maria Denny



Celebrant Brother Robert Moore OH with brother president John Gough, left, holding the circle banner 'The Five Wounds of Christ', the symbol of the Pilgrimage of Grace

Visit Reveals Holy Trinity's History

St Aelred's Union of Catholic Mothers visited Holy Trinity Church, just within the city walls at Micklegate, York, and learned about its fascinating history.

Professor Bill Sheils explained that the church and priory were built by French monks who came to York in the 11th century and was later run by the Benedictines.

After a tour of the church, members enjoyed tea at the nearby Bar Convent, which was used for services when Holy Trinity was being repaired.

Kath Stubbs



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Father Austin, A Man Of Many Gifts

Father Austin Horsley SM was born in Hull on May 22 1936 and died in Hull on April 10 2018. In between those two dates, among his many achievements, there were two chief strands that made up most of his life education and administration in the Marists.

After his primary school education at St Charles, Hull, Father Austin went on to the Marist College and from there to the Marist Scholasticate in Paignton, where sandwiched between his priestly studies he obtained a History and Geography degree from Cambridge.

After teaching at Winslade, the Marist boarding school in Exeter, and St Mary's College, Middlesbrough, he was appointed headmaster of the Marist College, Hull, in 1973, succeeding Father Bill Salmon.

Father Austin remained in that post until 1988 when the school was amalgamated with St Mary's High School to form the present St Mary's. At that point Father Austin became an advisor to the local education

authority, where he remained until he was elected provincial of the Marist Fathers in England in 1990, remaining in that position until September 1996.

After short spells in other houses, Father Austin returned in 2006 to Hull, where his major work was a continuation as provincial bursar to the English Marists until his retirement two years ago.

Father Austin led a full life, much of it, as we see, here in the Diocese of Middlesbrough. He was a man of many gifts who was always willing to share his knowledgeable experience.

As the congregation at his funeral Mass showed, he was a person who touched the lives of many people from differing backgrounds. He is sadly missed.



Father Austin Horsley SM

This Month's Clergy Anniversaries

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

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1958	Very Rev Canon Thomas Wilton	Egton Bridge	
2010	Rev J Anthony Barry	Middlesbrough	
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Out & About around the Diocese

BISHOP TERENCE PATRICK DRAINEY ENGAGEMENTS FOR AUGUST 2018

Bishop Terry has no formal engagements in August

1 Wed

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

3 Fri

Events and articles for inclusion in the September Voice must be received by today.

5 Sun

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

8 Wed

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

10.30am The Life Ascending Group at St Leonard & St Mary, Malton meets
2-3.30pm 'Music for the Mind at St Mary's Cathedral Hall. All welcome, especially those with dementia, their friends and carers.

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

10 Fri

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

12 Sun

12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF **3pm** Assumption Pilgrimage (Rosary **2.3opm**, Mass 3pm), Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley **3pm** Diocese of Middlesbrough LGBT+ outreach and service; Mass giving an explicit welcome to LGBT+ Catholics, their families and friends, in the chapel of The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. All are welcome.

5pm Latin Mass, St Mary & Joseph, Baxtergate, Hedon HU12 8JN **6pm** Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact tel (01642) 818203 for details.

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

14 Tues

2pm-4pm The Life Ascending Group,
York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb,
York in the Fr Kelly room. **7.30pm** The Knights of St Columba,
Council 95, meet at Council
Chambers, English Martyrs Hall,

Advance Notices

8 September – Birthday of Our Lady, Rosary 11.30pm, Mass 12 noon, Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley

28 September – Summertime Special at Middlesbrough Theatre Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help takes place every Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass in St John of Beverley, North Bar Without.

Dalton Terrace, York

15 Wed

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

19 Sun

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29 Wed

12.45pm-3pm Life Ascending Group, York Central meets at St Wilfrid's, York in the Upper Room after 12.10pm Mass

30 Thur

7.30pm-9pm The Pastoral Support Group for carers especially of people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact Margaret (01642) 865668 for venue and other details

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LOURDES

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"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." – Colossians 3: 12-14

I had the great pleasure of taking a group of students to Lourdes this year, writes ALISON FISK, chaplaincy coordinator at St Patrick's Catholic College in Thornaby.

Although small in size, the group were big in heart. The theme of this year's pilgrimage was "Do whatever he tells you" and I can bear witness that the young people from our diocese certainly did just that.

They give up their week's holiday, travel 26 hours on a coach to reach their destination and when they arrive they ooze with excitement and a willingness to help our supported pilgrims.

Here are some reflections written by the young people from St Patrick's that I hope will resonate in the hearts of all who read them...

"I enjoyed every minute of being in Lourdes – the 26-hour bus journey was well worth it! I met a lady called Margaret who is blind but so full of life – nothing got her down and she has made a huge impact on my life. She made me realise how grateful and thankful I should be for my family, my health and also my peers and because of this I have spent more time with them since returning home. One of the highlights was taking part and reflecting on the High Stations of the Cross, which are gorgeous – a massive well done to Mrs Fisk and Miss Roberts for doing them barefoot!

"We also had the opportunity to take part in the torchlight procession. I was asked to be a torchbearer and was responsible for making sure everyone stayed in the designated lines. It was beautiful watching hundreds of people walk in procession to offer their prayers to Our Lady. I loved making new friends, young and old, and the memories I have will last forever. Lourdes for me was life-changing! I know I will return in year 12 as a handmaid to help the supported pilgrims once more!"

Shaneil Wardell

"My memories of Lourdes will remain with me forever. I had the privilege of supporting so many people who otherwise would not have been able to take part in the daily activities. Each one taught me so much about life and the things that I would normally take for granted." Honey O'Hara

"I had an amazing time in Lourdes! The experience has made me appreciate the things I sometimes take for granted. One supported pilgrim, Peter Brown, made my



Shaneil Wardell with Margaret Connors

experience extra special. He took the time to tell me a little about his life and made me have my first "Lourdes experience". We made each other laugh. I looked for him at every opportunity just to say, 'Hello', even when I was not on duty.

"I had the privilege of pushing him to the Thanksgiving Mass on the day we were leaving. I was grateful for the chance to say bye. He gave me a photograph, which captured him telling me about his family – I will treasure it forever. I want to say thank you Peter for making my pilgrimage one to remember. Hope to see you again in the years to come."

Jasmine Butt



Charley Simpkins with Marjorie Jordan, from Hull



The St Patrick's students with Father Michael Keogh after they led night prayer with the supported pilgrims

Record Visitor Numbers Boost Lourdes Funds

Mike and Gel Heagney have thanked the record numbers of visitors for the open garden weekend in aid of Lourdes funds held at their home at Tudor Croft, Guisborough.

Hundreds took the chance to view the stunning Arts and Crafts gardens, which have been lovingly tended and developed since they were created in 1934 and have been looked after by the Heagney family since 1952.

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"It was a joy to share the gardens with so many appreciative visitors and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves on a very special weekend," said Lourdes brancardier Mike, a parishioner at St Paulinus Church.

"It was especially wonderful to see so many of our Lourdes friends sharing the two days with us as visitors and volunteers and musicians.

"The money raised will greatly assist sick people to go on pilgrimage to Lourdes. We thank everyone who came for their generosity and Visitors James Seegoolam, Sharon McIntyre and Gordon Mills being shown around the gardens by host Mike Heagney, back right

support."

The weekend raised a fantastic total of $\pounds_{4,811}$. Brancardier Paul Griffiths won the raffle for a painting of the garden created during the weekend by artist James McGairy.

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Don't Miss Summertime Special!

Comedian Jimmy Cricket is among the top quality acts who will be entertaining at the Summertime Special in aid of our Lourdes Fund on Friday September 28.

Jimmy returns after last year's smash success and there are also

plenty of excellent local favourites lined up, including a magician. Tickets are available from Middlesbrough Theatre or Lourdes committee members. For enquiries and refunds, call Keith Tillotson on 01642 324043.

CATHOLIC CUP

Sunshine And Smiles At Catholic Cup

More than 600 pupils and a dedicated team of organisers and teachers helped make the 22nd Annual Catholic Primary Schools Cup at Bridlington Sports Centre a huge success.

The tournament was started by Tony McAvoy at St Bede's in Marske back in 1997 and has continued to grow ever since.

"The competition has established a proud place in the history books of Catholic education in the diocese and once again it was a wonderful day," said director of education Kevin Duffy.

"It's amazing to think that some of our teachers attending this year's event actually played in the Catholic Cup themselves as fresh-faced year six pupils more than 20 years ago!"

"All members of the organising team are volunteers who freely give their time, commitment and expertise. Special thanks go to Anne Parr and Angela Spencer, from Our Lady & St Peter in Bridlington, who have organised the last two tournaments and will be handing over the baton to the schools in the north of the diocese for next year."

The team also included organisation assistants Angela Nicholl and Francis McDonald, photographer Nathaniel Bullen, child welfare officer Andrew Krilic and the St John Ambulance.

Thanks also to our generous sponsors, the Knights of St Columba in Hull and Middlesbrough, Hull, Yarm and York Catenians, Coles Solicitors of Redcar and W Boyes & Co.

Martin Gunn, acting head of St Bede's School in Marske, echoed the feelings of all the participants when he said: "Our children and staff had a fantastic day and are already keen to be signed up for next year.

"I loved seeing the children thrive on the experience and challenge of playing against other teams and working hard for their friends, as well as seeing their chests puffed out with pride and confidence."



Boy's Large Schools winners St Patrick's, Thornaby



Winners

Large schools

Boys' winners St Patrick's, Thornaby, runnersup St Richard's, Hull

Girls' winners Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, York, runners-up Christ the King, Thornaby

Small schools

Boys' winners St George's, York, runners-up St Peter's, Scarborough

Girls' winners St Clare's, Middlesbrough, runners-up St Aelred's, York

Special Awards

Knights of St Columba Fair Play Salver: St Mary's, Richmond, (boys) and St George's, York, (girls).

Bishop O'Brien Banner Award: St Richard's, Hull

Catena Shield: St Alphonsus, North Ormesby Mike McCullagh Memorial Cup: St Joseph's, Loftus

Spot prizes

Boys: Aiden Downie, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Michal Dravik, St Charles, Gabriel Everitt, St Mary's, Richmond, Ethan Gaisley, St Wilfrid's, Lloyd Kemp, St Richard's, Angus Towner, St Joseph's, Loftus.

Girls: Eleanor Pearson-Smith, St Vincent's,

Chloe Sani, St Mary Queen of Martyrs, Grace Tringle-Yates, St Mary Queen of Martyrs, Evie-Rose Blackburn, St Gerard's, Evie Smith, St Gabriel's, Grace Campbell, St Patrick's.

Any child who didn't collect their spot prize on the day is asked to contact the organisers at Our Lady & St Peter's Primary in Bridlington.

Every child who took part received a commemorative medal.

Schools who attended were St Patrick's, Thornaby, St Thomas More, Hull, St Joseph's, Pickering, St Gabriel's, Ormesby, St Benedict's, Redcar, St Margaret Clitherow, South Bank, St Mary's, Malton, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, York, Christ the King, Thornaby, St Mary Queen of Martyrs, Hull, St Aelred's, York, St Thomas More, Middlesbrough, St Paulinus, Guisborough, St Wilfrid's, York, St Richard's, Hull, St Alphonsus, North Ormesby, St Augustine's, Coulby Newham, St Clare's, Acklam, St Peter's, Scarborough, St Therese of Lisieux, Ingleby Barwick, St Mary's, Market Weighton, St Mary & St Joseph, Pocklington, Our Lady & St Peter, Bridlington, St George's, Scarborough, St Gerard's, Hemlington, St Charles, Hull, St Joseph's, Middlesbrough, St John of Beverley, Beverley, Endsleigh Holy Child. Hull. St George's, York, St Joseph's, Loftus, St Benedict's, Ampleforth, St Bede's, Marske, St Vincent's, Hull, Sacred Heart, Middlesbrough, St Mary's, Richmond and St





Boys' Small Schools winners St George's, York



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Girls' Large Schools winners Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, York



Girls' Large Schools runners-up Christ The King, Thornaby



Girls' Small Schools winners St Clare's, Middlesbrough



Thrills As Talented

The A team included seven talented football players, Toby Beard and Billy Kelly in defence, Ryder Greening, Alex Shehi and Ben Broadbent on the wing, striker Elliot Thompson and Seb Holloway in goal. They played St Bede's, Marske, in the opening match and fought hard to secure a 1-1 draw with a superb goal by youngster Ben Broadbent.

In their next group game, they faced St Benedict's, Redcar, and equalised early in the first half through Billy Kelly's long-range strike. Elliot Thompson then scored twice in quick succession to give the Saints a half-time lead and they held on to win 3-2 despite conceding a late goal.

The Saints then faced St Charles, Hull, in their third group game and well-worked goals from Elliot Thompson and a Ryder Greening hat-trick helped the team to a 4-0 win, before Toby Beard, Elliot Thompson and four-goal Ryder Greening contributed to a 7-1 victory in their final group game.

In the round of 16, St Peter's trailed 2-0 to St Margaret Clitherow, South Bank, with two minutes remaining but three spectacular quick-fire goals took them through to the quarter-finals with a 3-2 win. Goals from Alex Shehi, Ryder Greening and Elliot Thompson secured a 3-1 win against St Benedict's, Redcar, in the next round, taking them to the final on goal difference.

St Peter's faced the challenging St George's, York, in the final and were grateful to Seb Holloway for some crucial goalkeeping saves. He was finally beaten in the last seconds of the match as St Peter's lost the game 1-0.

Billy Kelly, year six, St Peter's School, Scarborough

Plans For Convent Reunion

Did you or any member of your family transfer from primary school to St Mary's Convent in Middlesbrough (Newlands) in 1963? Or did you join this year group at a later date? Following very enjoyable reunions of our year group, we are hoping more of us can get together. Our next reunion will take place on Saturday October 13 at the Holy Name Church Hall in The Avenue, Middlesbrough. A hot meal will be served so please let us know if you can be there. Please call Elaine Baxtrem on 07500718974, Anne Callow on 01287 642292 or Catherine Nolan on 07940666906.

Elaine Mackin







Pupils from St Mary Queen of Martyrs Academy in Hull are pictured with Father Peter Mulholland after making their First Holy Communion in school



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