**LIVING THEOLOGY WEEKEND** at The Bar Convent in York this summer, on the theme '*Thy Will be done? - healing God's world'*. There will be two streams of talks on **Sat 14th and Sun 15th July 2018**. The cost for the weekend is £60 (students £30) which includes lunches and refreshments. All are welcome and if you can't come for the whole weekend – do come for just one day at half price! Please look at the website: **www.jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2018** for further details and to print off a booking form. Accommodation in the Bar Convent Guest House must be booked separately: so please book early. For other queries call Patricia on 01642 645732 or email **tpj.egerton@virgin.net**. **Please see poster and more details on Notice Board.** 

**Seminar on Abortion Decriminalisation: Friday 22nd June** at St. Thomas More's Church Hall, Kirkham Row, Beechwood, Middlesbrough TS4 3EE, 7.00pm - 8.30pm. Since 1967 nearly nine million unborn babies have been lost by abortion. Every year many thousands of women suffer following an abortion.

This meeting will be covering key issues, such as the scandal of the abortion industry in this country, the threat of abortion decriminalisation and the attack on the freedom for peaceful, prayerful pro-life citizens to offer help to women outside abortion facilities. The meeting will also cover practical action to bring down the number of abortions and save mothers and their babies from the tragedy of abortion. Please see poster at the back of church.

### **Eucharistic Ministers 24th June**

George Hunton, Edna Early Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

#### Ministers of the Word 24th June

Christine Pope, Catherine Dixon-Barker

#### Home Communion 24th / 25th June

Carole Stansmore, Karen Dick Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

#### **Youth Group Rota**

Friday 22nd June ~ Closed

Church Cleaning ~ Week Beg. 18th June - Team 1

Bidding Prayer Rota ~ June Paul Diggins Please remember Fr Nick Jennings and family in your prayers at this time. Maureen, his mother, died early this week. Many parishioners will remember her visiting St Patrick's on many occasions. Requiem Mass to be held at St John Vianney Church, Hartlepool on Thursday 21st June at 10.30 a.m.

Eternal rest grant to her O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Visit the Parish Shop after Mass** First Holy Communion
Gifts. Cards and Rosaries.



17th June 2018

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ord we thank you for the times that a bible passage touched us deeply. When we first read it we knew it was a beautiful word; so we just received it like a seed sown on the land. Then we carried on with our daily lives knowing that somehow the words of the passage were there within us weaving in and out of our experience. Gradually we began to catch glimpses of its meaning. Then, quite unexpectedly, it all came together and we knew that the passage was ours and all we had to do was enjoy it and give you thanks. Amen

The First Holy Communion Mass is at 10.00am next Saturday. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank you for giving our children the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharist presence keep them ever free from sin, fortified in faith, that they may continue to receive You throughout their lives. Amen

### DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR HUMAN LIFE

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. This year we pray for the victims of human trafficking, that their dignity is respected, and that they may be helped to rebuild their lives after the traumatic experiences they have gone through. We pray for those working to protect and help the most marginalised and vulnerable people in our society – the unborn, the sick, the dying, the homeless and the lonely. May God continue to guide them in their work.

**There will be a second collection today.** Money collected will be used to fund projects that support work in this area by organisations which further this objective. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

11th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Pg. 95			
17	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
18	Monday	9.15am	Nellie Robson
19	Tuesday		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
20	Wednesday		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
21	Thursday St Aloysius Gonzaga	6.30pm	SVP Rosary ~ All Welcome
22	Friday SS John Fisher and Thomas More		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
23	Saturday St Etheldreda	10.00am	First Holy Communion Children and Families
The Nativity of St John the Baptist Pg. 167			
24	Sunday	9.00am	George Littler
NEW YOUR TRANSPORT		Riska Okninski, Mary Douglas, Monica McShane, Anne Yale, Billy McGuinness, Pat Jackson, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning (nee Mockler), Christopher Brown, Rosie Owens, Joan Kent, Rachel Cole, Andrew Brydon, Luke Casey, Mavis Casey, Paul Lindo	
RECENTLY DECEASED: May she rest in peace. Amen		Maureen Lucey (Father Nick Jenning's mother)	
ANNIVERSARIES:		William James Gagiano, John Whitehead, Nellie Robson, Agnes Sheridan, James Horan, Olive D'Ambrosio	
MASS ATTENDANCE:		10th June 212	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION:		10thJune £327.17 plus weekly standing orders which currently average £293.25 per week.	

## RETREAT DAY TO OSMOTHERLEY . . . SATURDAY 21st JULY

**Visit the Lady Chapel for Mass, followed by picnic.** We will then have free time in Northallerton. Coach to leave:

St. Bede's  $\sim$  9am English Martyr's & Ss Peter & Paul  $\sim$  9.10am St. Joseph's  $\sim$  9.20am

Due back in Stockton around 4.30pm. Please sign the form at the back of Church if you would like to attend this day.



### **UNDERSTANDING THE SCRIPTURES**

### MONDAY 18th JUNE at 7.00pm St. Patrick's Parish Hall

This week **Scott Hahn** gives a talk on **Catholic Gospel; Trinity and Father.** Please join us this Monday.



Heavenly Father we pray for all of us here this morning; for our families and friends. Inspire us to work at our relationships and remind us to welcome you in every situation we meet. We ask for your blessing on our family members and on all for whom we love and care. May we always be ready to forgive, respect and value

them. On this day set aside for fathers we give you thanks for our fathers and for fathers everywhere; for the examples they set and for the love and care they gave to us. May your Spirit dwell richly within us, enabling us to serve you with gladness on each and every day. Amen

# St Patrick's RC Church Stockton - Sunday Morning Coffee Fund

Since the Sunday Coffee Mornings started in 2012, David and Margaret Wright's efforts, along with those supporting them, have helped to raise £6200 for charitable purposes. Amongst donations paid out were £1000 to the Nepal Disaster in 2015 and just recently



£1000 to help support the running of the Kenyan Orphanage, sponsored by Fr Cooper. Many thanks for all their hard work to date. **David & Margaret are now asking for more support from members of the Parish**, to allow them more time for family commitments. They are especially looking for help over the coming weeks, when they will not be available to run the sessions. Please, if you feel you can help, come into the Parish Hall after Mass and have a chat to them and they will quickly show you what is involved. Given that the Coffee Mornings are promoting a good Parish Community, as well as raising money for good causes, please offer your support to them by joining the rota of Volunteers.

You're Invited

The Sixth Diocesan Festival takes place on Saturday 23rd to Sunday 24th June at the Emmaus Youth Village in Consett. This year's theme is 'Encounter' and it includes activities for families, Mass, Music, Ceilidh and much more. £20 per person (inc. both days). £5 for Sunday only, under 18's free. It is an opportunity

for our whole Diocesan family to come together to celebrate and to be encouraged in our faith offering inspiring speakers for adults as well as activities for young people and children. Please tel. 01207 592244 for a booking form, please book by 26th May. .Do think about booking up for one or both days at this year's Festival! It is a joyful and encouraging event which gives us the opportunity to reflect, to pray and to celebrate our faith.