



God of Resurrection Life we pray for the people of Sri Lanka. We commend to your eternal love those who have been killed as they gathered for Easter celebrations, and we pray for those who mourn. We pray for the many injured and for all caring for them. In the truth and hope of the risen Christ transform all darkness to light, all fear to trust, and all hatred to love, in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. Amen.

St Patrick's Men's Club BIG BAND

offer a rare opportunity to see, hear and dance to the best of big band swing. We feature the accomplished

GUISBOROUGH BIG BAND

Led by Vaughan Dexter

**SATURDAY 11th MAY
8pm - 11pm - Tickets £6**

If you want to see and hear the sounds of Glen Miller, Count Basie and the best of the big band sounds order your tickets via Ken Marr, tel. 01642 602336 on first come first served basis. Please bring your own food and drink.

Everybody welcome to tea and coffee in the Parish Centre after Mass.



Eucharistic Ministers 5th May

George Hunton, Edna Early
Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

Ministers of the Word 5th May

Joan Hunton, Margaret Wilson

Home Communion 4th / 5th May

Val Railton, Edna Early
Eileen Brydon, Chris Edwards

**Church Cleaning ~ Week Beg.
29th April - Team 1**

Bidding Prayer Rota ~ May
Maurice Ward

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April - For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

The Mass for Justice, Peace and the Celebration of Creation will be held on **Saturday 11th May at 10am** in St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. The Celebrant is Mgr. Andrew Faley. All welcome.



The Cleveland NEWMAN Circle

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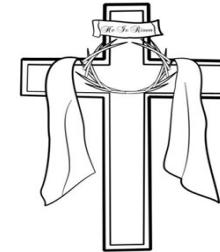
His theory of doctrinal development and his influence on Vatican II

A talk by Fr. Andrew Downie,
Chaplain to Durham University

WEDNESDAY 1st MAY

Middlesbrough Cathedral Hall, TS8 OTW at 7.45pm. **(Coffee/Tea from 7.30). All welcome.**

Our AGM will take place on **Wednesday 22nd May**, again in Middlesbrough Cathedral Hall. For those considering becoming members of the Newman Association this may prove an ideal time to do so. Everybody very welcome.



28th April 2019

St. Patrick's R.C. Church
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In today's Gospel Jesus appears to the community gathered together, they rejoice at his presence and experience through him the gift of the Holy Spirit and are given a mission, sent just as Jesus himself was. Our believing during this Easter season and our whole life must be grounded in a deep and personal encounter with Christ. The life of the risen Jesus is now within us and helps us to put aside our fears and doubts so that we can experience his peace, which is his gift to us and the whole church. Fear is overcome by peace, doubt is transformed into a great acclamation of faith and sin is defeated by forgiveness. Today let us, like Thomas, reach out in faith to the risen Christ and offer our prayer in faith and hope.

Lord, lead us to the blessedness of not seeing and believing. Amen.



Priests dedicate their lives to serving God by caring for people in their parishes. When they retire they may require special care and support. **There is a Second Collection this weekend for the Northern Brethren Fund 'Sick & Retired Priests of the Diocese.'** The collection will remain open until Sunday 19th May for any Private or Group donations.

We pray for the retired priests of our Diocese that they may experience peace and joy for the countless years of service they have provided to the people in their parishes. We also pray for sick priests, may they find consolation in your healing presence. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations: Loving God, You speak to us and nourish us through the life of this Church community. In the name of Jesus, we ask you to send your Spirit to us so that men and women among us, young and old, will respond to your call to service and leadership in the Church. We pray especially for those who hear your invitation to be a priest, sister, or brother. May those who are opening their hearts and minds to your call be encouraged and strengthened through our enthusiasm in your service. Amen.

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28	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
29	Monday <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	9.15am	Thanksgiving ~ Intentions of Care Team
30	Tuesday <i>St George</i>		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
1	Wednesday		No Mass or Eucharistic Service
2	Thursday <i>St Athanasium</i>	6.30pm	SVP Rosary ~ All Welcome
3	Friday <i>SS Philip & James</i>	n.b. 9.15am	Thanksgiving
4	Saturday <i>The English Martyrs</i>		No Mass or Eucharistic Service

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5	Sunday	9.00am	Dennis McGloin
		Riska Okninski, Monica McShane, Anne Yale, Billy McGuinness, Pat Jackson, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning (nee Mockler), Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Joan Kent, Andrew Brydon, Paul Lindo, Mary Talbot, Mike Nertney, Veronica Connors, Catreona Ash, Betty Griffiths, Sadie Todd	
RECENTLY DECEASED:		Cecily Waters ~ May she rest in peace. Amen.	
ANNIVERSARIES:		Joseph Wilson	
MASS ATTENDANCE:		20th April (Vigil Mass) . . . 108 / 21st April . . . 239	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION:		21st April . . . £895.84 Plus weekly standing orders which currently average £291.48 per week.	

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Weekdays at 7am with the Divine Mercy

In silence we listen, and when all is quiet we hear your voice.



**GENERAL ENQUIRIES,
CHURCH & PARISH CENTRE
BOOKINGS**

Please contact Kathryn Wood in the Parish Office Tel. (01642) 580171

PRO LIFE HOLY HOUR ~ The next Pro-Life Holy Hour will take place on **Tuesday 30th April from 9.45am - 10.45am, following the 9.15am Mass at St. Bede's RC Church, Stockton**. Members of Stockton SPUC Branch look forward to seeing you there.



Dear Church Family . . . Please remember us and our families in your prayers at this very special time as we prepare for our **First Holy Communion day**. Pray we will prepare our hearts to truly know it is Jesus we are about to receive in the Holy Eucharist. **Please pick up a small coloured grape shaped card at back of church** and place it in the prayer collecting basket on the table. They will be assembled into bunches of grapes as part of a school display, showing how our school and church family surround us with prayer. Thank you.

Lord Jesus, come to us and give us your love. Lord Jesus, come to us and give us yourself. Lord Jesus, help us to be worthy to receive you. Guide and strengthen our love as a family so that we may work together in coming closer to you. Lord Jesus, you are our Lord and our God. Amen



There will be a special Partnership Mass with the new Bishop, Robert Byrne CO, on Tuesday 30th April in St. Joseph's, Hartlepool at 7pm. **All parishioners are invited to attend.**

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE A Partnership of life and love. Bishop Robert Byrne CO will celebrate Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral on **Saturday 18th May at 11.00am** to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage. **He has invited each parish community to be represented by at least two couples**, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary. In addition, everyone is welcome to attend.

This promises to be a wonderful celebration and will provide affirmation and support for marriage across the Diocese and the wider North-East community.



MINSTERACRES
Open House ~ Monday 6th May, 11am - 4pm. A chance to look around Minsteracres' house and grounds. With exhibitions, tours, moments of reflection, tea, coffee and good home cooking.

Day of Prayer ~ Wednesday 8th May, 10am - 4pm. This day enables you to experience different ways of praying in a beautiful setting. Lunch, tea & coffee are provided. Cost £20.

The Holy Places collection on Palm Sunday came to **£316.06**. Many thanks.