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Sunday 16th October 2022

Jesus encourages us in this Sunday's parable to be persistent in our prayer and never to lose heart. Prayer influences the outcome of events in our lives. Today's gospel tells us that we must turn our life to God at all times. We can take time to review our day through prayer and see what we did that we can gladly offer to Christ in thanksgiving, but also what we did that needs His forgiveness. Through prayer we reach out to others in love and compassion and we make it possible for God's kingdom to flourish on earth. Jesus often took himself away from the business and noise of life to pray alone, quietly. In our busy world, where there are so many demands and stresses on our lives, prayer gives us time to slow down, think and reflect on what really matters, our relationship of love with God and with one another.

Let us pray especially during this month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary, that Our Lady may channel our prayers and those of our family members to Christ our Saviour, Amen.



Third World Group . . . All donations placed in Third World Box at back of Church in October will be sent to CAFOD for the Pakistan Floods Appeal.

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.

The Lindisfarne Gospels, the most spectacular manuscript to survive from Anglo-Saxon England, are on display at the Laing Art Gallery until 3rd December 2022. Created on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, the book represents the golden age of design and craftsmanship in Northumbria and has survived in almost perfect condition for over one thousand years. Although entrance to the Laing Art Gallery is free, you will need a paid ticket to get access to the Lindisfarne Gospels exhibition. Prices vary at peak and off-peak times. To book your tickets, please visit the Laing Art Gallery website. www.laingartgallery.org.uk

The Cleveland Newman Circle present a talk by Fr Bede Leach, '*Scripture through Art – with the baby in the background!'*. Fr Bede Leach OSB shows how we can 'open a religious painting' along the lines of Lectio Divina. Held at Middlesbrough Cathedral Hall on Wednesday 19th October at 7.45pm (coffee/tea available from 7.30pm). Further information can be obtained by tel: 01642 645732 or email p.egerton123@gmail.com.

Sharing Stories - Six week Spirituality Course: Led by Revd Caroline Worsfold. Wednesdays October 19th to November 23rd Time: 6.00pm – 7.15pm Venue: English Martyrs & St. Peter & Paul's Church Hall. All welcome, no need to book. No prior knowledge needed.

29 th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR			
16	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
17	Monday St Ignatius of Antioch	9.15am	Bob Parkinson
18	Tuesday St Luke		
19	Wednesday		
20	Thursday	6.00pm	Holy Hour ~ Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
21	Friday	9.15am	Pat Jackson (Men's Club)
22	Saturday	9.15am	Private Intention Confessions after Mass
30 th Sunday of the Year			
23	Sunday	9.00am	Arthur McQuillan
Anniversaries:		Cath Rossinelli, Audrey Bentley, Robert Parkinson, Don Foley	
NYOUR RAINERS		Billy McGuiness, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Mary Talbot, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Pauline Davies, Pauline Mileson	
Reader for Sunday23rd October ~ John Bowron			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Unpacking the Mass Reflections.

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission has brought together a series of faithfilled reflections written by people from across the Diocesan family that unpack what a certain part of the Mass means to them. 'Unpacking the Mass' is now available to read by visiting the Diocesan website.

Rival Arts Craft Fair. Enjoy a day out for the family with gardens, exhibitions, the wonderful Chapels and of course lots of Art, Crafts, Gifts and catering options to tempt you in the Refectory. Ushaw Historic House, DH7 9RH. Admission for this event is free, 10am to 12 Noon.

Illuminating Ushaw: Land of Enchantment . . . This is the third annual Christmas light trail. Providing great value for all the family with prices from £10 for children and £12 for adults. The Gardens will be transformed by new art installations, illuminated features and decorations, creating a Winter Wonderland. Capacity is limited with a timed entry, the tour takes about one hour. Visit whats-on-at-ushaw to book tickets.



Thursday 1st, Friday 2nd, Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th December Thursday 8th, Friday 9th, Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th December Thursday 15th, Friday 16th, Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th December

Manfred and Margaret Engel ~ If anyone would like to contact them please telephone Maurice Ward on 07531 721274.