



Sunday 28th May 2023

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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Pentecost is the great festival that marks the birth of the Christian Church by the power of the Holy Spirit. It was the transforming moment when the disciples fully received the Spirit and overcame their fears. The Spirit came with fire and enabled the disciples to speak in different tongues so that everyone could hear the invitation of the gospel and join the fellowship of Christ. The Spirit gives us the words to pass on the message to others and open the doors for strangers and outsiders to become welcome members of the Christian community, regardless of race, language or culture. The Holy Spirit wants to fill us with his strength so that we can enjoy carrying out the mission entrusted to us. The Mother of Jesus is with the community of disciples gathered in prayer: she is the living remembrance of the Son and the living invocation of the Holy Spirit.




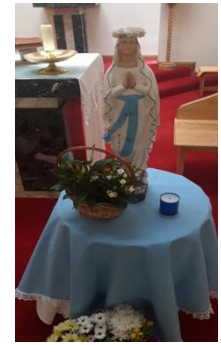
Pentecost Exposition ~ A time of prayer with the Holy Spirit. St. Patrick's RC Church, this Sunday, 3pm to 4pm. Everyone welcome.

This Sunday there will be a second collection for the Lay Training Fund. The Lay Training Fund (LTF) is for all areas of adult formation and education which are not normally provided as part of parish life. Whether we work in the Diocese or in the wider world, whether we are involved in parish life in catechesis, liturgy or other ministries, we need to understand our Faith and we need to know what the Church teaches and be able to discern our calling, so that we can live out our vocation and mission and thus witness to the faith we have, in response to the changing needs of the Church within society. The Lay Training Fund is available to support this vision. This collection will, thereafter, be left open for Private or Group donations until 25th June.

Anniversary Celebration for Fr. Dermott Donnelly . . . All are invited to gather at the Emmaus Youth Village, Allensford, Consett on Saturday 1st July at 3pm for Mass, celebrated by Bishop Seamus Cunningham, to mark the first anniversary of the death of Fr Dermott Donnelly. Young people will share the impact of Fr Dermott's ministry, plus we will have an opportunity to hear about redevelopment of the Youth Village and new initiatives that are underway. Following Mass there will be a barbeque and social time. Come along and support Fr Dermott's charity "Significance" so that the work can continue. Barbeque tickets cost £10 per person (children under 16 are free). To book a barbeque ticket, please email admin@ymt.org or tel. 01207 592 244. 'Young people have so much to give our society and our world; I want to give them every opportunity to develop their potential. Through the projects Significance will support, young people will be inspired to reach high and achieve their best.' - Fr Dermott Donnelly, 1967-2022

St Mary's Church, Hexham is organising a Corpus Christi Service on Sunday 11th June at 3pm. Parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend with refreshments being served afterwards. The Service will also be lived-streamed should people wish to join us. The website is www.stmaryshexham.org.uk

Pentecost Sunday			
28	Sunday	9.00am 3.00pm	Rose White Pentecost Exposition
29	Monday	9.15am	Thanksgiving
30	Tuesday		
31	Wednesday		
1	Thursday	6.00pm	Divine Mercy & Exposition
2	Friday	9.15am	For an Anniversary (Renato)
3	Saturday	9.15am	Special Intention
The Most Holy Trinity			
4	Sunday	9.00am	Win Broadbent (100 th Birthday)
Anniversaries:		Margaret Mooney, Kathleen Cooper	
		Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley	
Reader for Sunday 4th June ~ Patricia Egerton			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			
Feast Days: 29th May, Mary, Mother of the Church: 31st May, Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 1st June, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest			

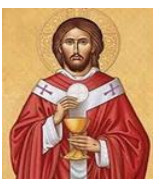


'O Mary, we crown thee
with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and
Queen of the May'

Please keep the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, and their families, in your prayers.

Diary Date: Friday 30th June: 7.30pm Bella Canta Ladies Choir are performing at St Joseph's RC Church, Norton. "Broadway meets the West End." Free entry, retiring collection to raise money for refurbishment. More details later.

This Thursday, on the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, there will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour starting at 6pm.



Heavenly Father, grant that priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Mary, Mother of the Church, look tenderly upon your sons, our priests.

The Mission Appeal for the Kilegan Fathers has so far raised £561.22. As Gift Aid envelopes were given out, I will hold the collection open until this Sunday for the return of any Gift Aid envelopes which were taken home to complete. Please put them in the main collection bowl. Thank you.
(Martin Driffield)

The final collection total for the 'Sick & Retired Priests' came to £531.91. Many thanks.

Parish Shop ~ Lots of new stock of gifts and cards for First Holy Communion and all occasions.