



Sunday 9th November, 2025

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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The Lateran Basilica, built by the Emperor Constantine on the Lateran Hill around the year 320, is the cathedral of the Pope who is Bishop of Rome. This Basilica, dedicated to the Saviour, to Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist is considered the mother of all the churches. The feast of its dedication reminds us of our calling to live in deep communion with the successor of Rome, the rock on which Jesus built his church and the one who confirms us in our faith.

Remembrance Sunday gives us the opportunity to reflect on the sacrifice of those who served our country. It allows us to take a moment to remember and honour the memory of those who served, those who are currently serving and those that have been lost in conflict and never came home. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in word wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

Lord Jesus, you gave your life so that we could live. We remember men and women who laid down their lives for others. We pray that they will find rest in your everlasting love and that we will honour their sacrifice by working for the peace they dreamed of. Amen.



Pope's Prayer Intention for November ~ *For the prevention of suicide* ~ Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in our community, and be open to the beauty of life.

The parish urgently needs people to join the team who write the Bidding Prayers for our Sunday Masses. At the moment we each contribute the Prayers for the Sundays of one month; so, depending on the number of volunteers, this need not be a major responsibility for any individual person. It is a privilege, and not really burdensome, to draft the Bidding Prayers. If a team can get together, there will be full advice and support given. There will be an initial meeting (without commitment) to share information, to discuss and to answer questions. **So please consider offering to help!** Please contact Patricia Egerton on 01642-645732; or by e-mail to p.egerton123@gmail.com.

SPUC Urgent Request for Prayers . . . As you know, two terrible bills are presently being debated in the House of Lords. One to totally decriminalise Abortion, the other to legalise Assisted Suicide. If these bills are both successful, we will end up with the worst abortion laws in the ENTIRE world and a euthanasia law that will become like that in the other nations. We have just been informed that, in Canada, the disabled are pressured to opt for euthanasia EVERY time they have a doctor's appointment! Your prayers are so urgently needed. Thank you.

The Cleveland Newman's Association . . . *"Meeting Martha of Bethany and Mary of Magdala in Luke and John's gospels."* Talk by Rev Caroline Worsfield, Canon Emeritus of Durham Cathedral. The talk is an opportunity to look closely at the Scriptures to see how John and Luke differ in their accounts of two women, Mary of Magdala and Martha of Bethany and to consider why one of the writers presents them in a better light than the other. Date of talk: Wednesday 19th November in St. Mary's Cathedral Hall, TS8 0TW at 7.45pm. (Coffee/tea from 7.30pm). Everyone welcome. For more information, please telephone Patricia Egerton on 01642 645732. Request to please bring Bibles.

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica			
9	Sunday	9.00am	Nicola Holmes
10	Monday	9.15am 5.30pm	Michael Nertney Medjugorje Rosary
11	Tuesday		
12	Wednesday		
13	Thursday	6.00pm	Rosary & Healing Exposition
14	Friday	9.15am	Carter and Lindo Families
15	Saturday	9.15am	Eileen and Craig Chapman
33 rd Sunday of the Year			
16	Sunday	9.00am	SPUC Stockton Branch ~ 40 th Anniversary
Anniversaries:		Norman Hogarth, Michael Nertney, Billy McGuinness	
		Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens Andrew Brydon, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley, Samuel Kiberu, Brian Wetherell Joyce Thomas, Chris Bostock	
Reader for Sunday 16 th November – Paul Delplanque			
Feast Days: 10 th November: St. Leo the Great, 11 th November: St Martin of Tours, 12 th November: St Josaphat,			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



We pray for Pope Leo, Bishop of Rome, that he may be strengthened in his ministry of presiding in charity over the universal Church. Make us ever grateful for the gift of the church, may we be living stones, built into unity with Christ and with one another. Amen.

SPUC Thanksgiving Mass

A Thanksgiving Mass for forty years of SPUC Stockton Branch will be celebrated at 9am on Sunday, 16th November. You are all invited to join us for Holy Mass, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall.

Scriptures of Hope: In response to this Jubilee Year theme of hope, our Diocesan Writing Team were invited to share a short reflection on a scripture passage which speaks to them of hope throughout the challenges and the joys of life. What followed was a beautiful collection of reflections demonstrating how the Word of God has been a powerful source of strength, peace and hope to each writer in many ways. We share four reflections each week. We hope you enjoy. Please visit <https://bit.ly/DHN-scriptures-of-hope> to read the collection.

Teesside Catholic Young Adults are a community of young people (18-35) looking to grow in faith and friendship. They meet regularly for social events, scripture and faith discussion. You are welcome to join them for Mass and lunch once a month. Phone Patrick on 07725472699.



St. Patrick's Men's Club Present: 'An Evening with Paul Tilley.' He is a great musician and entertainer, composer and singer. **Saturday 22nd November, 8pm.** in the Parish Centre. Order your tickets now (£6). Contact Ken Marr, tel. 01642 602336.

Steam, Wheels 'n' Rails . . . Coming soon to St Patrick's is this exciting musical play, chronicling the story of the birth of the railways right here in our region over 200 years ago. The S&DR200 Community Players will perform this abridged period costume drama on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets are £10 and are available to reserve from briancoady@hotmail.co.uk. Please leave your selected date and ticket quantity request. Your tickets will be available to collect and pay for at the door on your chosen night.