

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING: 16th October 2022

Sat. 15th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	George Candlish
Sun. 16th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	People of the Parish
Sun. 16th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	People of the Parish
Mon. 17th	*** NO MASS ***	
Tues. 18th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	All who are ill
Wed. 19th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Bernard Collingworth
Thurs. 20th (St. Aidan's)	NO MASS	
* Thurs. 20th (St. Mary's)	2.00pm	St Mary's Primary Harvest Festival
Fri. 21st (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Priest's Intention
* Sat. 22nd (St. Aidan's)	11.00am	Confession
Sat. 22nd (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 23rd (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Jim Humble
Sun. 23rd (St. Mary's)	11.00am	People of the Parish

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 23rd Oct 2022

"We receive the message, and take it into our own hearts."

Second Reading: The Uses of Scripture (2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2).

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

"Merciful God, you know us through and through, and you forgive us when we have done wrong. Help us to know when we have made a mistake and to come to you with them in prayer each day. Amen."

WE ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR:

Those who are sick: Anne Innes, Yeau Sen Mai, Mary Jane Dellbridge.

Those in our Books of Remembrance;

And all those within our Parishes whose anniversary occurs at this time.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact us via parishsecretary@mail.com or 0191 268 4222

Access weekend mass live via our Facebook page NE12Catholic.

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Sunday 16th October 2022

The Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

After listening to today's Gospel, The Answer to Prayer (Luke 18:1-8), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

We often think of prayer as mere asking, and this parable encourages us to pester God as the wronged widow pestered the Unjust Judge.

But that is only one aspect of Luke's teaching on prayer. He also shows us what our attitude in prayer should be in the parable which immediately follows today's passage from the gospel: the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-Collector.

The tax-collector wins approval because he just stands there, admitting his sins. Most instructive, however, is Luke's teaching on Jesus at prayer: he reminds us that Jesus is always quietly at prayer to his Father.

He needs to slip away to spend the night in prayer. Especially he prays at the most important moments of his life: at his Baptism, when he chooses his team of disciples, before he teaches them to pray, at the approach of his Passion, finally forgiving and comforting others at his death.

Paul tells us we should pray continually. The prayer of asking must be built on a relationship of love and dependence, just as the request of child to parents is built on their loving relationship. It does not matter if the child is at times naughty; the deep relationship between parent and child is one of love. So too we do not need to be perfect to make our requests to our Father. When and how do you find it best to pray?

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:

THURS 20th OCTOBER

Please note there is no 10am Mass at St Aidan's this Thursday.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Our Parish Councils met in September. Minutes can be viewed on www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com or www.stmarysforeshall.co.uk

ST AIDAN'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY (see www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com)

All children yet to make First Holy Communion are welcome to join us.

CONFESSION - Saturday 22nd October at St Aidan's

The first and third Saturday of the month at St Aidan's 11am - 11.30am

The second and fourth Saturday of the month at St Mary's 11am - 11.30am

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP - Thurs 27th Sept, 7pm - 8pm

Our fortnightly sessions take place in St Aidan's Church Hall where we reflect on the readings for the coming Sunday. You can also join us via zoom with details available via www.stmarysforeshall.co.uk

JUSTICE & PEACE REFUGEE PROJECT WITH SVP, BLACKFRIARS

Non-perishable food and toiletries are always needed. Please leave your donations at St Mary's. Thank you.

ST MARY'S SUNDAY CHOIR

We are looking to start a children's choir to sing at mass on occasional Sundays. Please email Trisha & Peter on trishatindall@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to join.

COLLECTIONS: w/c 9th October

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose plate: £176.00 / Envelopes: £72.00 / Hall Hire: £38.00

Sunday Coffee Morning: £34.00 / Donation: £60.00 / CAFOD: £260.00

ST. MARY'S - Loose plate: £201.00 / Envelopes: £168.10

Friday Coffee Morning: £75.00 / Donation: £40.00 / CAFOD: £216.00

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Please speak to Fr Hall if you are able to help support either of our parishes in any way.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

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 are in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people.

Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit www.mission.org.uk to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit & Gift Aid your donation if possible.

FROM THE DIOCESE:

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.

The Lindisfarne Gospels which are on loan from the British Library feature in a contemporary exhibition about its meaning in the world today and its relationship with themes of personal, regional and national identity. Book to visit via www.diocesehn.org.uk

A DAY OF CONSOLATION - 9th November 2022

Minsteracres Retreat Centre is welcoming those who have suffered loss or bereavement, to come along and have some quiet time, to be listened to and to share similar experiences with others, and to explore the experience of loss and bereavement within a spiritual context.

Led by Chris Smith & Sr. Steph Romaine Diocesan Ministry of Consolation, from 10:00am to 4:00pm, tickets cost £30 and include lunch.

Contact Minsteracres via info@minsteracres.org or 01434 673248.