Diocesan News

The God Who Speaks – The Year of the Word - From 1 December 2019 through to 28 November 2020, the Bishops of England and Wales are inviting us to spend a Year learning to listen more closely to The God Who Speaks. To help parishes and partnerships prepare for the official launch on the First Sunday of Advent, from 30 September, we will begin making more information and resources available. Some information is already available through the Bishop's Conference website and a dedicated ‘The God Who Speaks’ website will be launched shortly. Booklets will be appearing in parishes soon and there will be more events, ideas and resources to come!

St. Mary's 175th Anniversary - On Wednesday 21 August, St. Mary's commemorated 175 years of service as a place of Christian worship and sanctuary in the busy city of Newcastle–upon–Tyne. Designed by Augustus Welby Pugin, opened in 1844 and paid for with 'the pennies of the poor', this church was built to address the needs of the rapidly increasing Catholic population of Newcastle which had been swollen by Irish immigrants in the first half of the 19th century. In 1850 following the Restoration of the Hierarchy in England and Wales however, St. Mary's was raised to Cathedral status becoming the Mother Church of the newly designated Diocese of Hexham (later to be renamed the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle). Bishop Robert Byrne CO will celebrate Mass at the cathedral on Monday 30 September from 12 noon to mark this occasion.

Clergy Anniversaries - We ask for your prayers for the following priests who are celebrating the jubilee of their ordinations before the year end:
Fr. Anthony Cornforth - 3 November (40 years)
Fr. Michael McCoy - 30 September (30 years)
Fr. Jonathan Rose - 25 November (30 years)
May God bless them with good health to continue their dedicated service to His Church.
Partnership News

**Family Fast Day** – this year’s Harvest Family Fast day is this Friday, 4th October. We are asked to forgo something we really enjoy or make a simpler meal than you usually would and pass the monetary value of the saving to CAFOD for their work with the poor and underprivileged in the world. Please take an offertory envelope for your donation as you leave church today.

**St. Aidan’s and St. Teresa’s Joint Retreat.** Minsteracres. Saturday 12th October. We are holding a day retreat at Minsteracres. The theme is Discipleship. The day starts at 10am and finishes at 4pm. The day will include a mixture of group and private reflection as well as Mass. All parishioners are welcome. A contribution of £10 per person is asked for, with both parishes subsidising the remainder of the costs. Payment should be put in an envelope and handed to one of the priests. You will need to bring a packed lunch, but all tea and coffee is provided. If you would like to go please write your name on the sheet at the back of church. If you require a lift or are able to give lifts, please add that to the list. If you have any disability issues the organisers need to know, please let Fr. Mariadass or Fr. John know.

**ARE YOU A UNIVERSITY STUDENT?** - The University Catholic Chaplaincy is based at St Andrew’s Church, Worswick Street, and you are invited to come along and join the community. The regular Sunday Mass is at 6pm with social time afterwards. Check out the website for all that is going on [www.catholicchaplaincy.org](http://www.catholicchaplaincy.org). Also, pick up one of the Chaplaincy postcards from the back of church.
Justice & Peace Sale Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to last week’s successful sale. The total of £537 consisted of £217 from sales and £320 from donations. Thank you very much for your generosity. All proceeds will go to J&P charities such as WaterAid, CAFOD, Medecin sans Frontiers and The Peoples Kitchen etc.

Christmas Angels It has become part of St Aidan’s Christmas tradition to join local churches in knitting small Christmas Angels. The aim is to share God’s love and blessing by leaving our angels with a Christmas message in a local public place in December. You may still have your pattern from last year. If not there are some at the back of Church. If you haven’t done it before – now is the time to start! Enjoy knitting!

Advisory Group Meeting: The Parish Advisory Group is meeting next Sunday, October 6th. Items to be discussed include Fair Trade, Churches Together, October Devotions, Advent and Christmas services, Jesmond St. Mary Partnership update, Recruitment of volunteers for parish rotas, maintenance of church grounds and General Data Protection Regulation update. If you have any items you wish to be discussed please speak to one of the advisory group or one of our priests.

Confirmation Programme - the first meeting will be on 6th October at 5pm in St Aidan’s Church Hall. Please give your name to Fr Mariadass, Fr John or Sarah, if you would like to come along.

First Holy Communion Any children in Year 4 or above who would like to make their First Holy Communion at St Aidan’s are invited to join the programme at St Stephen’s school. If anyone is interested please see one of the priests, Bernie Lamb or Andrea Willson.

Blessing of Toys - Sunday October 6th - We are asking all our children to bring one special toy with them to Mass. They will be asked to bring the toys forward during Mass to receive a blessing.

Date for your Diary: Sunday 1st December 2019 - Cards for Prisoners of Conscience.

St. Aidan’s & St. Teresa’s Joint Retreat. Minsteracres See Page 3.

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound:
Baby & Toddler group - meets each Tuesday in term time. We are open from 9-11am

Tuesday Ladies – the ladies are out to lunch on 1st October.

Sunday 6th October will be a special Creation Celebration Mass, to celebrate God’s wonderful gift in creation and to begin a reflection on how we can, as a community, care better for our common home. Please join us and make a special effort to set aside time to share in tea and coffee together after Mass. Please remember our sick and housebound parishioners in your. Anyone wishing to have Communion brought to their homes or a visit from a priest, please complete a permission form from Fr Mariadass or one of the welcomers

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Charity Quiz – first Thursday of the month our regular brain teaser in the Club at 8-00 pm. This month the beneficiary is a small town in Uganda where volunteers are trying to build a hospital which will be the first medical facility in the area.

Wednesday 2nd October 2019 at 6.30pm: Little Flower Concert at St. Teresa’s Church, Performed by our School Children. The event is open to everyone. Please do come and support our schools
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Mill Hill Red Box Collections - Our collection will continue until 27th October. So please bring your red box/contributions to Sunday Mass with your name and address details attached and (if possible the amount you have collected). We have lots of spare red boxes so if any parishioner wants to contribute to this charity please contact Jean Potts. We collected £608.11 in May 2019 - many thanks everyone.

MARTHA AND MARY’S: To celebrate 15 years of serving the community the café are holding a Grand Ceilidh with Pie and Pea Supper on Saturday 5th October at St. Gabriel’s Church Heaton Road from 7.00pm – 10.00pm. Tickets are £5 available in St. Teresa’s church porch after Mass (bring your own drink!!)

Rosary Day at St. Teresa’s – everyone is welcome to spend time with the Lord on Saturday 5th October 2019. The Church is open between 10.30am and 7.30pm. Rosaries said in various languages every hour. A solemn Mass in honour of St. Therese, Patron of the Missions will be said at 6.30pm...Please sign on the sheet in the porch if you can lead a decade, at what time, your language and contact details.

CAFOD Prayer

Compassionate and loving God,
you created the world for us all to share,
a world of beauty and plenty.
Create in us a desire to live simply,
so that our lives may reflect your generosity.

Creator God,
you gave us responsibility for the earth,
a world of riches and delight.
Create in us a desire to live sustainably,
so that those who follow after us
may enjoy the fruits of your creation.

God of peace and justice,
you give us the capacity to change,
to bring about a world that mirrors your wisdom.
Create in us a desire to act in solidarity,
so that the pillars of injustice crumble
and those now crushed are set free.

Amen.
Ministries

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Please pray for **Carla Dots Santos** who died recently. Her funeral Mass will be on Monday 7th October at 10-00 am.

Please pray for **Gwen Maguire** who died last Saturday. Her funeral Service will be on Monday 7th October at 2-15 pm.

May they rest in peace
### This Week’s Services

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CW&C – Celebration of the Word and Communion #

* **Confessions** - St Aidan’s Tuesday 6-00 pm;  
  - St Teresa’s Wednesday 6-00 pm

* **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**  
  - St Aidan’s Tuesday 6-00 pm  
  - St Teresa’s Wednesday 6-00 pm