

# This week

Day/Date	Services & meetings
<b>Saturday 5 November</b>	<b>No morning Mass</b> <b>5.30 pm Vigil Mass:</b> <i>Mick and Shirley Degnan</i>
<b>Sunday 6 November</b> <i>32nd Sunday of the Year</i>	<b>09.30 am Mass at St Wilfrid's:</b> <i>People of the parish</i> <b>11.00 am Mass at St Mary's:</b> <i>Holy Souls</i>
<b>Monday 7 November</b> <i>St Willibrord</i>	<b>No Mass</b> <b>10.00 am - Eucharistic Service at St Wilfrid's</b> <b>1.00 pm - Craft Group in St Mary's meeting room</b> <b>2.00 pm - Holy Hour at St Wilfrid's</b>
<b>Tuesday 8 November</b>	<b>10.00 am Mass:</b> <i>Amore Foody</i>
<b>Wednesday 9 November</b> <i>DEDICATION of the LATERAN BASILICA</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass:</b> <i>Maureen Nicholson</i>
<b>Thursday 10 November</b> <i>St Leo the Great</i>	<b>10.00 am Mass:</b> <i>Ian Lloyd</i>
<b>Friday 11 November</b> <i>St Martin of Tours</i>	<b>8.15 am Mass in St John's School chapel</b> <i>- this is the only Mass today</i> <b>10.30 am Funeral Service at St Mary's for PAUL ROBINSON</b>
<b>Saturday 12 November</b> <i>St Josaphat</i>	<b>No morning Mass</b> <b>5.30 pm Vigil Mass:</b> <i>Eric Walsh</i>
<b>Sunday 13 November</b> <i>33rd Sunday of the Year</i>	<b>09.30 am Mass at St Wilfrid's:</b> <i>D. Lowther</i> <b>11.00 am Mass at St Mary's:</b> <i>People of the parish</i>

## Quote

*"I cook with wine, sometimes I even add it to the food"*

**- W C Fields**

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# 32nd SUNDAY of the YEAR

## A Prayer for our time

The story, Lord, is as old as history, as remorseless as man: man the raider, the plunderer, the terrorist, the conqueror, defiling the light of dawn with the conspiracies of night, perverting to evil the fine instruments of nature, dealing fear among the tents and the homesteads of the unsuspecting or the weak, confiscating, purloining, devastating.

The passions are more subtle in our time—the fire power of bombs for the dust-clouds of cavalry, napalm and incendiary and machines in the skies, devices for war decrying the stars, new skills with the same curse of destruction, the sanctity of mankind in the jeopardy of techniques, gracelessness against the majesty on high.

By the truth of the eternal exposure, by the reckoning of the eternal justice, by compass upon kin and kind, by the awe of thy sovereignty, turn our deeds, O good Lord, repair our ravages, forgive our perversities. O God, give peace, grateful peace.

**- Kenneth Cragg**



## Confession Times

St Mary's

By request and by simple arrangement.

**Churches with warm spaces during winter** - The Bishop Auckland Fellowship of Christian Churches have made arrangements to have safe and warm places where individuals can come to socialize over a cuppa and biscuits.

**Woodhouse Close Church**, Proudfoot Drive, DL14 6PD - open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9.30 am to 2.30pm.

**The Parish Centre**, Middlewood Avenue, St Helen's, DL14 9DJ - the lounge is open on Tuesdays from 10am - 3pm and Thursdays from 11am - 2pm.

**The Ark** - at the back of St Helen's Church DL14 9DN—open on a Wednesday from 10.30am to 4pm.

**Bishop Auckland Baptist Church**, Cockton Hill Road, DL14 6AH, from week beginning 31st October their Church will be open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10am - 3pm, Thursdays—Wellbeing Café, from 9.30am including a light lunch from 12.30pm.

**St Mary's Catholic Church**, Vart Road, DL14 6PQ—Thursdays and Fridays 11am to 2 pm.

**Bishop Auckland Methodist Church**, Cockton Hill Road, DL14 6DN, Monday and Fridays 10—3 pm.

**Coffee morning/Warm Space** - Thursdays and Fridays in St Mary's Meeting Room 11am—2pm. Please see the helpers rota at the back of church. Any problems ring Zita on 01388 604926 or 07722219173.

**Can we help the work of Marie Curie nurses?** The brilliant and sensitive care and support they provide through terminal illness is superb and needs funding, we have 2 events for your diary:

Friday 25 November at 7pm here in St Mary's church, Durham Police Choir will entertain us. Seasonal refreshments provided. Tickets from Peter Daniels (07733544186). Adults £7.50 children £1.

Monday 28 November at 7pm Curry Night and Quiz at Spice Lounge, Fore Bondgate. Tickets £17 available from Peter as above.

**A great film, "The Letter"** about Pope Francis' document 'Laudato Si' is being shown at Bishop Auckland Methodist Church this Monday evening at 7pm. This is a great and colourful introduction and enlightenment if you'd like to know what the Catholic Church is teaching about caring for God's creation. Do please come along. It's free.

**From pews to milk jugs** - sadly, our Methodist friends are closing their Auckland Park and South Church churches and are offering churches and charities to pick up items that might be of use. The date to come, see and collect at either or both churches is Saturday 12 November 10am to 12 noon.

**SVP Cake Bake** - we will be selling cakes, pies etc. after Masses next weekend (13th & 14th) at both St Mary's and St Wilfrid's. Would you like an apple pie or a crumble for your Sunday lunch pud? If you would like to bake something to help - please bring this along with you. The SVP do important work within our parishes and have seen their donations decline over the last couple of years. This is just a little way we can help and enjoy it in the process. Many thanks for your support.

**HOLY ISLAND VINNIES CAMP 2022-23 URGENT APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS** - Have you got some time spare to help out our Term Time Camp? We urgently need volunteers to work in the kitchen or do a bit of cleaning/ caretaking at Holy Island Camp, washing dishes, serving food and clearing /cleaning the dining hall. We cannot offer glamour but we can offer friendship and a worthwhile cause to help. Term Time Camps take place between Easter and the Summer Holidays and then September and October. Commitment involves training, a DBS check and the choice of anything from a few days to a week helping on the beautiful island itself. We also need volunteers to work as part of a team of helpers to supervise and look after children, taking part in our weekly holidays over July and August. Volunteers would help organise activities and supervise the care of the children, aged between 9 and 12. Again, very little glamour, and admittedly tiring, but so worthwhile! Commitment is for training, a DBS check and a week on the island. All roles can be applied for, in November 2022 on line at <https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island/> where there is also much more information. We hope to meet you soon!

**Care for Creation** - the wonder and drama of space, galaxies, planets and stars is mind-bending. We may be fascinated by the sheer numbers and dimensions of what's going on

**Please pray for the health of:**

- Irene Welford*
- Michael Dowson*
- Mrs Aitken*
- Val Mundell*
- Joan Lightfoot*
- Michael Nicholson*
- Adam Hudspeth*
- Christopher Browne*
- Tyler Quinn*
- Norah Hutchinson*
- Robin Davis*
- Angela Graham*
- Frank Ridley*
- Jacob Thomas*
- Charlotte Thomas*
- Teresa Brown*
- Christina Marsh*
- Kathy Lloyd*
- Roman Banks*
- Jane Hardy (Kirby)*
- Margaret Pattenden*
- Mary Curry*
- Adam Quarmby*
- Billy Teague*

**Please pray for**

**PAUL ROBINSON (77)**

**who has died.  
May he rest in peace**



**Scripture Readings for this week's Masses:**

Sun	Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-14, 16-19	Ps 33	2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18	Luke 18: 9-14
Mon	Titus 1: 1-9	Ps 23	Luke 17: 1-6	
Tues	Titus 2: 1-8, 11-14	Ps 36	Luke 17: 7-10	
Wed	Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12	Ps 45	1 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17	John 2: 13-22
Thurs	Philemon 7-20	Ps 145	Luke 17: 20-25	
Fri	2 John 4-9	Ps 118	Luke 17: 26-37	
Sat	3 John 5-8	Ps 111	Luke 18: 1-8	
Sun	Malachi 3: 19-20	Ps 97	2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12	Luke 21: 5-19

in our own galaxy and beyond in the whole cosmos - it's all God's creation. Our part is to look after and responsibly protect our Earth. We've damaged it severely and it needs our deliberate intervention.

**The Laudato Si group** are planning to hold a food/cookery event as part of this year's Season of creation. If anyone has any expertise in cookery or recipe ideas and would like to be involved in a small group of us, please get in touch via email - [jeanniemariehardy@gmail.com](mailto:jeanniemariehardy@gmail.com) Tel: 07708108119, or with Eileen Thornton at St Mary's.

**The Laudato Si group** the next meeting will take place on **Thursday 23 November** at 6.30pm at St Mary's.

**A warm welcome** to all who are returning to Mass after careful measures over Covid kept people away. Our churches are safe, we're currently still masked and it'll be great to see you. If you have any questions please ask them. You are part of a living community of faith and continue to be. How we each express that is mainly through Sunday Mass. How can we help?

**The Foodbank** - A huge thank you for the donations received last week. **The following items are needed this week, hot dogs, toothbrushes and custard. Help with funds for assisting with gas and electricity needs.** Anything you can do to help people with food, heating and lighting is a most practical way of showing love and humanity. Funds to help folks with heating are already urgent. Your help is invaluable. No one should be living in a house with no heating or be unable to put a light on, boil a kettle or warm up food. Thank you.

**We're looking for** more Eucharistic Ministers and Readers and the return of any of our helpful folks who have served us in these ways previously. Singers, musicians, flower arrangers, CAFOD, SVP members all do great work for us. How can you help? Please have a chat. Thank you.

**Recipes** - During the covid pandemic we received recipes from parishioners and have been planning to put them together into a booklet to be shared. We would also like people to send in and share any recipes which they have that would include 'cheap and nutritional' ingredients. We are aware that many people are struggling with money worries and it would be good to offer ideas that may help stretch family budgets.

**Christmas Quiz on Thursday 8 December** in St Mary's meeting room. There will be a bottle raffle (not a bottle stall) if you have any spare bottles of wine or spirits could you please bring them into church and leave them at the back. Thank you.

**St. Mary's Church Cleaning** - Monday 7th November Group 1 - 10am. Please check the list at the back of church to see if this is your month. Many thanks.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023** Can you help the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes next year? We need nurses, healthcare assistants, doctors and volunteers to provide care to the assisted pilgrims who travel with us. Previous helpers have found it is a rewarding and spiritually uplifting week. We plan to travel on Friday 28th July. If you would like to find out more information please email or look at our website <https://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk/> or email [lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk)

**Catholics in hospital** - The Hospital Trust for our region has renewed all its computerised patient infrastructure and, as a result, chaplains no longer have access to lists of patients by religion or denomination. This is likely to be the case for the foreseeable future and means that Father Paul Tully, our Catholic Chaplain based at Durham will only discover Catholic patients by chance unless they are referred to him from their parish or family. A Catholic in Durham hospital will need to ask for Fr Paul Tully or in our other hospitals to ask for a Catholic priest if they want a visit and the sacraments. You can let Fr Dennis know also.