

Bishop's Column

During my travels I meet quite a lot of people from all over Europe, and, of course, during the last months the immediate topic of conversation has been "Brexit". What do you think? How have people reacted? Will it really happen? Yes, there are some people in Europe who do not believe that it will really happen. Whatever the eventual outcome of our referendum, it has certainly stirred up a vigorous exchange of opinion all over Europe.

Of course, for better or for worse, we have always been a cause or a topic of European conversation. At the time of the Reformation, most of Catholic Europe was in a state of shock at witnessing what was happening in England. How could it be that Henry VIII, whom the Pope had declared *Defensor Fidei* – Defender of the Roman Catholic Faith – was turning his back on the Pope and the Universal Church?

Many Spanish people wondered what they could do to help the English Catholic Church. One way was to provide funds to build a seminary for training future priests for the English and Welsh mission in Valladolid, which had been until recent times the capital of Spain.

A Confraternity of Spanish sailors based in Sanlucar de Barrameda, near Jerez, also decided to offer a hostel and a church to the English Bishops to raise money and provide shelter for priests moving to and fro to work in our country. This was in 1517.

I have the honour of representing the Bishops of England and Wales at the 500th anniversary of this church and Confraternity during the course of this month, January 24 to 27. I will be able to thank the members of the Confraternity in the presence of the Mayor of the town and the Bishop of Jerez de la Frontera, together with the Mayor of Bristol – historically a major importer of Sherry to this country. Five hundred years of friendship is something to celebrate. While we certainly remember all the disputes that we have had with the European family, it is good to remember also how we have been supported over the years, especially as members of the family of the Church. *En hora buena y muchas gracias por su lealtad!*

Congratulations and many thanks for your loyalty!

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Encountering Christ Beside The Sea

**THIS MONTH'S CATHOLIC VOICE
FOCUSES ON MADONNA HOUSE, A
VERY SPECIAL SPIRITUAL FACILITY
WE ARE BEING INVITED TO
SUPPORT AND MAKE USE OF...**

**Exactly halfway down the Yorkshire coast
that provides the eastern boundary of our
diocese there is an oasis of hospitality,
peace and prayer.**

Madonna House is part of a worldwide movement founded by a Russian Catholic convert called Catherine de Hueck Doherty in Canada in 1947 but is the only such house in the UK.

Most of the 18 Madonna Houses throughout the world have a specific mission to serve the poorest in society, but the Robin Hood's Bay house is different. Director Cheryl Ann Smith, one of three members of the community along with Nikola and Sara, explains more.

"The majority of our houses are of service to the materially poor," she says. "In inner cities we have soup kitchens and places of friendship. This is a house of hospitality and prayer. We came here in 1985, the year Catherine died. It's the only house where Catherine was asked for a word, and the word she gave was 'gentleness'. That's what we're about."

The door is always open and people visit for a wide variety of reasons, to pray together, for shared and individual retreats or even just for a cup of tea and a chat.



"People ask us for prayers and come to stay with us, whether for a retreat or to experience living in a community," adds Nikola. "They can come to Mass with us, we'll give them a job to do and they'll eat with us."

"Priests and seminarians come for their annual retreats and we have visitors from all over Europe and beyond. Groups from the SVP to the UCM come for days of recollection, sometimes providing their own schedule or they might ask us to speak."

"Some people come and we hardly see them," says Cheryl Ann. "We have a prayer cabin at the edge of our beautiful garden and quiet rooms. We can leave food outside their door so they can have as much solitude as they want."

The staff are keen to make more people in our diocese aware of their presence and to

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NEWS

Iconic Cross Shines Over Teesside Again

The iconic cross that once beamed across Teesside from the top of a Middlesbrough church is shining brightly once more after being dimmed for the best part of three decades.

Older residents will remember the eight-foot by four-foot cross that could be seen for miles from St Alphonsus Church at the heart of one of the town's oldest suburbs, North Ormesby.

The lights went out at some time in the 1980s or 90s when neon tubes wore out and replacements were no longer available.

The cross was first lit up when the church was rebuilt in 1960. It stands on top of the imposing structure in Westbourne Grove.

Now, due to popular demand and thanks to the ingenuity of a team of parishioners, the cross is lit up from dusk until midnight.

Parish administrator Father Pat Day explained why the repair work took place after so many years without functioning lights.

He said: "When I first came here lots of people in the parish asked if they could get the lights back. We had to have a think long and hard about what we could do about it."

Despite the challenge of working at such a height, a determined and ingenious team of parishioners used modern technology in the form of 24 feet of LED rope light to get the cross shining again.

Derry-born Father Pat praised Gerard Drinkwater, Mike McMorro, Stuart Burnett and Andy Tindall for their work, which they did free of charge.

He said: "The lads did an amazing job. It's 60 feet high at the top of the church. It doesn't seem very high but it really is!

"There's some damage to the roof as well, so we had to make sure they were wearing a safety harness when they went up there."

Father Pat has already had lots of very



Father Pat with the cross outside St Alphonsus Church. Photo by Brendan McGeary

positive feedback from people of all faiths and none.

He said: "This wasn't just for the Catholic church, it was for the people of North Ormesby and the whole community.

"The light used to be visible from all over

Teesside and especially on Ormesby Bank. People said when you saw the light, you knew you were home.

"We're trying to bring back some of the old North Ormesby and hopefully we have done that.

"The response we've had goes to show how popular the light was. It's about letting people know that we're here."

The whole operation, including the hiring of a cherry picker, cost just £230.

Jonathan Barber

Asylum Seekers Receive A Warm Teesville Welcome

Recently arrived asylum seekers and Syrian refugees joined local people for a memorable night of music, magic, food and dancing aimed at welcoming newcomers to the Teesside community.

Celebrating Together was held at St Andrew's Church Hall in Teesville, where the Methodist Asylum Project (MAP) has been holding regular weekly drop-in sessions.

MAP manager Ailsa Adamson successfully applied to the Big Lottery Celebrate Fund for backing for the event, which was held in a spirit of friendship and of building greater community cohesion.

Invitations were delivered to local families living alongside asylum seekers as well as to other support agencies and local authority and police representatives.

The show included magic from Father Terry Leathley, of St John's Church in South Bank, and a dynamic dance act from Marsha Garrett's All In Youth Ensemble. After entertainment from both Grangetown and Syrian-born singers there was more music from Herd on the Hill Ceilidh Band and The Beer Pigs.

Up to 125 Syrian families could find new homes in the Redcar & Cleveland over the next five years, while the area is also part of a wider Home Office dispersal programme.

"It's fair to say there was some degree of community tension and resistance to these new arrivals," said Terry Doyle of Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland, which is raising awareness of this issue, particularly among local church groups.

"Our role has included debunking some myths around asylum seekers as well as espousing the Gospel message of welcoming

the stranger and our need for a compassionate response to these vulnerable people arriving in our midst.

"After all, if this message of welcome doesn't come from the local churches and their congregations, where will it come from?"

Terry thanked all the volunteers and performers on the night and especially congratulated Ailsa, who worked tirelessly to make this event come to life.

He said: "It was an absolutely brilliant night, with people from all backgrounds and nationalities coming together in the spirit of friendship and forging a new community based on tolerance and acceptance of each other's apparent differences.

"There is still much work to be done out there on the streets as more refugees and



asylum seekers arrive, but the night proved we can all come together and celebrate our common humanity.

"It served to remind us all that underneath we really are all the same and we trust the seeds that were planted will bear much fruit in the days and weeks to come."

Diocesan Year Book Available Now

The new-style Year Book with its simpler, more businesslike approach to making information about the Diocese of Middlesbrough accessible and consequently offered at a much-reduced price has been well received.

The significantly reduced print run has led to some parishes running out of Year Books before everyone who wished to could buy a copy.

There are a number of copies available in the Curial Office. If you would like to buy one or more at £1 per copy, please contact Sharron Driver on 01642 850505 extension 222 or email sectofinancialsecretary@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk

Copies of the Year Book can be posted out for a small additional charge.

The image shows the cover of the Diocese of Middlesbrough Year Book 2017. It features a photograph of a church building with a prominent tower. The text "Diocese of MIDDLESBROUGH Year Book 2017" is printed at the bottom of the cover.

Simple Ways To *livesimply* In 2017

Becoming a *livesimply* parish in Middlesbrough is a great way to show that your parish is taking significant steps to respond to the Church's call to live sustainably. The award, championed by aid agency CAFOD, has already been given to 20 parishes across England and Wales.

One parishioner and *livesimply* coordinator, Steve Stevens, said: "Over the next 12 months, we hope to deepen our commitment as a parish and as individuals to live more simply – putting our faith into action in the light of Pope Francis' environmental letter, *Laudato si'*."

To gain the status, parishes outline a plan based on current activities and new projects they would like to undertake. Here are 12 ideas, one for each month, on how your parish can better care for creation...

January: This New Year, make a commitment to address the needs of the local community through supporting a community project or donating to a local foodbank.

February: This Fairtrade Fortnight, promote Fairtrade products and ethical shopping. As one of the founding partners of Fairtrade Foundation, CAFOD continues to ensure that farmers are paid a fair price for their produce and there are now more than 500 Catholic Fairtrade parishes across England and Wales.

March: During the reflective season of Lent, pledge to go without something to limit your environmental impact: only use public transport, have designated technology-free times for reflection, or try meat-free days.

April: As a church community, complete an energy audit to see where you can reduce your carbon footprint. It can be as simple as turning lights off or switching to a renewable energy supplier.

May: A community garden is a lovely way to nurture nature. Now is the time to plant peas, beans, carrots and lettuce, which later in the year can be used for a community lunch. Wallflowers, foxgloves and sweet williams will flourish in the warmer weather and can be used for flower displays at Mass. Alternatively, a wild flower meadow will attract lots of wildlife and needs little cultivation.

June: Hold an activity day where you learn about international and local environmental issues. Hold a quiz, play CAFOD's climate change game, or show a film which focuses on climate themes.

July: Support local food producers by buying seasonal



David working in the parish garden.
Courtesy J Taylor/CAFOD

British food. Not only does it reduce food miles, it also helps grow the local economy.

August: During the warm summer months, organise a group walk to morning Mass or creation walk to celebrate the great outdoors.

September: To mark the new school year, hold a school uniform exchange and encourage young people to make small changes like printing their homework double-sided.

October: This month marks the Feast of St Francis, patron saint of the environment. Celebrate a *livesimply* Mass on October 4 to mark the occasion.

November: Write to local newspapers about important local issues and share what you have been doing with local council leaders, MPs or MEPs.

December: As a parish, pledge to have a *livesimply* Christmas. For friends and family, make handmade cards and reuse old wrapping paper. Decorate your parish hall with bunting and wreaths out of recycled materials and hold a recycled Christmas celebration.

These are just a few ideas of how to become a *livesimply* parish, CAFOD has lots of resources including "100 ideas for the *livesimply* award" which can be downloaded from our website.

When you start your *livesimply* journey, remember to sign up at cafod.org.uk/livesimply.

Parishioners Light A Candle For Lost Loved Ones

More than 150 East Cleveland parishioners held special services to give thanks for the lives of their loved ones who have died.

CAFOD volunteers came together to organise services at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Staithes, St Joseph and Cuthbert in Loftus and St Anthony of Padua in Brotton churches to pray for the charity's supporters who are no longer with us and give thanks for loved ones who have made a deep and lasting impression.

CAFOD held its first memorial Mass over a decade ago and Masses are now held across the country during November, the month of remembrance. People are invited to contact their local volunteer centre with the names of their loved ones to be included in the book of remembrance, which is to be presented at Mass.

CAFOD representative in Middlesbrough, Carol Cross said: "The service is a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to the brilliant people who have been at the heart of our work, inspirational priests, volunteers and members of the Catholic community who found time to offer love, practical support and prayers to the world's most vulnerable communities."

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Cross Moves Scarborough Students

The Lampedusa Cross was welcomed at St Augustine's School, Scarborough, for a week during its stay in the town.

Assemblies were held every day and pupils and staff heard the story of the cross and prayed for the refugees who perished or survived the journey to Lampedusa and for all those who are still struggling to find safe refuge around the world.

Messages of hope from the school community will be sent to CAFOD for refugees.

One pupil said: "It was very moving to touch the cross and to realise what it stands for. It really made us think."

Sara Rutter



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Feast of the Month

St Agnes
Saturday January 21



Agnes lived during the reign of the Roman emperor Diocletian, when Christians were persecuted. She was very beautiful and there were many young men who wanted to marry her. She refused them all, saying the only husband she wanted was Jesus. The young men were furious, and reported her to the governor for being a Christian. In spite of threats, she would not give in. She gave her life gladly to God, and was beheaded. The name Agnes means “pure” or “holy” in Greek and sounds like the Latin word for “lamb”, which is why she is always shown with a lamb.

Word Search

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YOUNG	CHRISTIAN
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HUSBAND	LIFE
FURIOUS	BEHEADED
REPORTED	PURE
GOVERNOR	LAMB



Children singing at York Minster – Photo by Lars Karlsson

It’s All Go At All Saints

All Saints Roman Catholic School in York enjoyed a busy term with both religious and practical events showing a commitment to the welfare of others as the Year of Mercy drew to a close.

Students were presented with the prestigious Spirit of Youth award by the York Press for their work in setting up an Action Minds group to help others suffering from mental health issues and to provide support and advice.

The group has been going for two years and provides weekly peer listening groups at both Upper and Lower sites as well as highlighting awareness of mental health issues through assemblies and advertising such as posters around the school.

Sixty students took part in a big sleepover, raising more than £600 to help Yorkshire youth homelessness charity SASH (Safe and Sound Homes). The students paid £10 each to spend the night sleeping in the school hall after taking part in workshops looking at the issues surrounding youth homelessness and watching a film together.

The year finished with a moving Advent service held at York Minster and attended by Bishop Terry as guest of honour. The Minster was packed with students, families and friends of the school. The service, which had the theme “The Encounter of Prayer”, included readings, meditations and short dramatic excerpts.

MYMission Are Moving!

With a busy autumn term under our belt, the MYMission Team are looking forward to 2017 with a new series of retreats on offer to parishes and schools.

We will be offering one- and two-day retreats at the Lady Chapel in Osmotherley for young people preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

The Mission Team are keen to develop our work with parishes. We will also be offering retreats for confirmation groups and parish youth groups. If you’re a catechist, parish priest or teacher and would like more information about the work of MYMission or if there is anything we can do to help out in your parish or school, please get in touch.

dedication over her four years of service to the young people of the diocese.

Since the team was established in September 2010, the base for MYMission has been St Thomas More’s parish in Middlesbrough. At the end of this month MYMission will be moving to the Curial Office in Middlesbrough.

Thank you to the parishioners and clergy of St Thomas More’s for their warm welcome and support over the past six years. From the end of January, the team can be contacted at the Curial Office on 01642 850505.

Introducing our new team members...

Terry Graham

Originally from Middlesbrough, I’ve been away from the area for a number of years but it’s wonderful to be back living on Teesside my wife and our young son. I was previously Coordinator of Evangelisation and Missionary Outreach at a central London parish. I’m delighted to be working with the young people of the diocese as we go about our collective task to “make disciples of all nations”.

Catherine Cantwell

Seven months ago I moved from the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, where I have volunteered for 15 years, working with the youth of the parish. I was offered a job as Chaplaincy Coordinator at Sacred Heart Secondary, Redcar. When I was asked to join the MYMission Team I was over the moon, knowing I would be supporting the young people of the diocese to grow in their faith.

Dom Finn

Ged’s Quick Quiz

With TV quiz champion Ged Askins

- Connection question**
- Which 1971 film starring Gene Hackman and Roy Scheider revolves around drug smuggling between Marseille and New York?
 - Which two men were responsible for writing and composing *HMS Pinafore*, *The Pirates of Penzance* and *The Mikado*?
 - What structure was built in August 1961 and demolished in November 1989?
 - What was the British Army’s standard rifle from its official adoption in 1895 until 1957?
 - Which river runs through the city of Chester?

Thinking cap question

Name the ten Premier League teams with more than one word in their names.



Catherine Cantwell, Dom Boyes, Colin Lunn, Terry Graham, Trish Lunn and Dom Finn

Please send stories and photos of what's been happening in your school to catholicvoice@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk – we'd love to hear from you!

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Let's Get Ready To Fan The Flames

"Flame: 10,000 Reasons", the largest Catholic youth gathering in the UK, takes place at Wembley Arena on Saturday March 11.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Cardinal Charles Maung Bo of Burma will join a whole host of speakers and young people for a huge day of prayer and inspiration.

Back by popular demand, the music ministry will be led by Grammy award winner Matt Redman. The theme, "10,000 Reasons", is the title of one of Matt's songs, and 10,000 people are expected to fill the arena to capacity.

Cardinal Nichols says: "Flame has now become an important part of the Catholic calendar and mission in England and Wales. It is a unique opportunity for young Catholics to experience a joyful and missionary Church."

"In that setting, they experience Christ's presence through times of prayerful worship and inspiring speakers, as well as through music and much true enthusiasm."

At the last Flame event, Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle of the Philippines inspired 8,000 young people with his words, with 150 young people from this diocese among them. Charlotte, from All Saints School, York, said: "Flame 2 was a great event. It made me feel included and amazed. To be surrounded by so many other young Catholics in one space is amazing and I can't wait for the next Flame, which is sure to be just as mind blowing!"

"Flame 2 was an unforgettable experience," said Harry from St Peter's Academy in South Bank, Middlesbrough. "It really made me realise I was part of a national community of Catholics and the feeling of community was surreal. I can't wait for Flame: 10,000 Reasons in 2017 - bring it on!"

This time we're hoping to take 200 young people from the diocese. Thanks to generous sponsors, MYMission are able to offer the day for just £25. This includes a Flame ticket, return travel by coach to Wembley Arena and a hoodie.

The day is aimed at young people and leaders aged 14-plus. School chaplaincy co-ordinators and parish priests have group booking forms. If over-18s wish to book places individually or you'd like more information, please contact MYMission on 01642 850505 or email domfinn@mymission.org.uk.



Isabella Lands Young Geographer Prize

Congratulations to Isabella Green, of St Paulinus Primary in Guisborough, who is seen receiving her award after winning the 9-11 years section of the Young Geographer of the Year competition.


The national contest is run by the Royal Geographical Society to encourage pupils to engage with geographical issues and receives thousands of entries each year. The theme was how Britain's urban, rural and managed landscapes are changing.

Isabella continues an impressive record for St Paulinus as she is their third finalist in the last four years and their second overall winner.




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Mercy In Focus At Study Day

Deacon Vince Purcell visited St Aelred's Community Centre in York to talk to the Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) about mercy with special reference to St Luke's Gospel.

The study day began with Mass offered by Father Bill Serplus, the UCM diocesan spiritual advisor, and was attended by members from all over the diocese.

Special examples were given of the place of women in Jesus' teaching and his compassion towards women, for example, the widow's son. Jesus talks about the shepherd looking for his lost sheep and the woman looking for her lost coin.

We also heard how the two disciples on the road to Emmaus were perhaps a husband and wife who invited Jesus to stay at their home. We were shown how Jesus upset some people with his radical parables and actions of mercy, giving us plenty to think about.

Hilda Carney



Discover The Art Of Natural Family Planning

An online course for people who would like to become teachers of Natural Family Planning (NFP) will begin in February.

The course, run by the Natural Family Planning Teachers' Association, consists of 12 sessions each requiring about six hours of home study and students have their own tutor.

The association is also hoping to offer courses in Manchester, Birmingham or London if they receive enough applicants. This course consists of six Saturdays with several tutors in attendance.

All courses cover several methods of NFP and cost £500. Visit www.nfpta.org.uk for more information.



Diocesan safeguarding coordinator Mick Walker with the new card
Photo by Jonathan Barber

New Card Highlights Safeguarding Message

The diocese has taken another step forward in its approach to safeguarding issues with the distribution of a new printed resource to highlight the issue.

Produced in association with the National Catholic Safeguarding Commission, it comes in the form of an A4 sheet that's been cleverly designed to fold to credit card size and tuck away in a pocket, purse or wallet.

The card contains information about what safeguarding is and what to do if you have concerns.

"Sometimes when you come across a safeguarding incident you might not know what to do," said diocesan safeguarding coordinator Mick Walker. "This gives practical advice and dos and don'ts when dealing with an incident, whether it concerns a child or an

adult."

The cards will initially be given to all parish safeguarding representatives before being rolled out to people who deal with children in a voluntary capacity, for example in children's liturgy, and other such as extraordinary ministers and parish priests.

"We're trying to promote the issues of safeguarding throughout the diocese in different formats," said Mick.

"We already have posters in the back of churches identifying who the safeguarding reps are within parishes and this is the next step forward.

"We want to make sure the safeguarding message is known throughout the diocese, making the Church a safer place to come and worship and volunteer in."

'Art of Dying Well' Website Goes Live

"The Art of Dying Well" is a new website that offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying.

Although devised by the Church in England and Wales and based in the Catholic tradition, it is open to all.

It features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life.

The site launched in November – the traditional month of remembering and praying for the dead – with Mass in Westminster Cathedral celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

It is designed for everyone, including those

who are dying, their friends, family and carers. Content includes short videos, testimonies and case studies.

The *Ars Moriendi* or "Art of Dying" was a very popular 15th Century manuscript designed to bring Christian comfort and practical guidance to dying people and their families.

The original Latin texts and illustrations offered advice on the protocols and procedures for a good death. It included deathbed etiquette and prayers as well as the five temptations that a dying person might face and the prescribed antidotes.

Visit the new site at www.artofdyingwell.org.

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Grant Will Help Preserve Abbey's Monastic Life

The historic church at Ampleforth Abbey, home to Britain's largest Benedictine monastic community, has been awarded a £2.9m Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) grant.

HLF recognised the unique importance of attracting significantly more visitors to Ampleforth's 2,200-acre estate, set in one of North Yorkshire's Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Shaped by the current community since it was established in 1802 following exile to France during the Reformation, the landscape includes ancient woodlands, a nature trail and rolling arable farmland.

The grant will go towards repairing the Grade II listed Monk's Bridge which was built in 1854 to enable the community to maintain their private enclosure when walking to their nearby cemetery. It will also provide the funds needed for urgent repairs at Ampleforth's Grade I listed Abbey Church, designed by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott.

Funds will extend the visitor experience and provide a better understanding of monastic life and heritage with the 59 monks engaging with visitors through organised retreats, acts of worship, the visitor centre, tea room, orchard, shop and landscape.

The abbey's director of development Sue Fisher said: "Receiving HLF's support is a testament to the historical significance of Ampleforth Abbey. This National Lottery money will enable us to encourage more visitors to come to see and experience the Benedictine way of life in the 21st Century."

HLF chair Sir Peter Luff added: "Ampleforth Abbey is a place of inspiration and beauty. It has entranced past generations and will continue to do so in the future."

HLF has released £224,600 of the grant as development funding so plans can progress before further details are presented in 18 months' time. Subject to approval, the remainder of the £2.9m will then be released.



Happy Birthday Father Pat!

Parishioners of St Bede's, Marske, surprised their parish priest Father Pat Smith by presenting him with a cheque to mark his 70th birthday. Two birthday cakes had been beautifully created and Father Pat was delighted to see that his beloved pet Vince was honoured by being represented on one of them. St Bede's school children earlier in the week attended the parish Mass and sang Happy Birthday and presented hand-made cards to Father Pat.



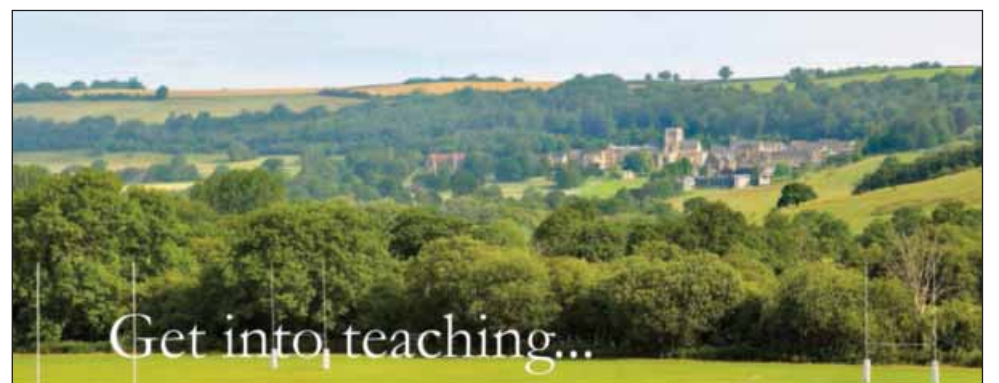
George Continues Proud Tradition

One of the oldest parishioners of St Peter's in Scarborough continued a 37-year unbroken tradition when he laid a wreath in honour of the fallen on Remembrance Sunday.

George Wilson, 95, who was assisted by his daughter Christine, has been laying a wreath annually at St Peter's War Memorial since 1979.

He is a veteran of the 1940 Dunkirk evacuation and served in the Middle East, Egypt, Palestine and Cyprus. New parish priest Canon Eddie Gubbins and all parishioners thank George for his dedicated service and wish him many more years to come.

Bernard Wilkins



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Encountering Christ

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come and make use of the house.

"Our main focus is receiving everyone who comes to us as Christ," says Cheryl Ann. "As they enter the house they're in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, so Christ himself welcomes them here."

"An ecumenical element is an important part of our apostolate," says Nikola. One vicar comes here every year for her annual retreat, and she feels at home."

"We also have a strong Churches Together

group in Robin Hood's Bay and all the different denominations gather together monthly to pray and sing and have a cup of tea. We all look forward to it."

This house is owned by the diocese and Madonna House was invited by the bishop to provide a Catholic presence in what had once been a family home and then a B&B.

"We rely entirely on the providence of God through donations," says Cheryl Ann. "If we don't have something, we have to beg and rely on God to bring it.

"We welcome food and money for bills.

When people stay with us we don't charge anything. If they leave a donation we gratefully accept it, but if they can't, we don't want that to stop anyone from coming."

"Everything you see here, the furniture, the clothing we wear, the pots and pans and dishes we eat off, has been given to us," adds Nikola. "The other day we received a large donation of firewood from a retired priest friend. We have a little needs list downstairs and people who know us see it

and respond.

"We also write an annual letter to the friends who have known us over the 30 years. Last year we asked for stationery and now we've got lots of envelopes thanks to people's generosity!"

The life of the three staff revolves around prayer and service and continues whether or not they have visitors, including their daily Horarium, or Hours of the Church.

As well as praying together throughout the day and attending daily Mass in Whitby, they also carry out whatever work needs to be done in the house, the kitchen and the garden.

"It's a great joy to receive guests," says Cheryl Ann. "People feel enveloped by love here. We believe God brings them here for a reason and it's a privilege to watch people's hearts being restored while they're here.

"Our charism is love and a kind of unity that Russians call *sobornost* – unity of mind, heart and soul. We're called to be of one mind, heart and soul with God and with one another.

"At my first meeting with Bishop Terry I said we could do a lot more in the diocese but he wanted us to be a place of opportunity for encounter with Christ. So if people come here and pray and unburden their hearts, we've served our purpose."

If you would like to support the community's work, please send cheques to Madonna House, Thorpe Lane, Robin Hood's Bay YO22 4TQ. For more information, call 01947 880169, email madonnahouserhb@gmail.com or visit www.madonnahouse.org.

Next month we'll begin a regular series of reflections written by members of the community.



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Cheryl Ann: I was raised in a Protestant family, but by my late teens I was seeking something more – although I didn't know what that was. When I was 18, during the singing of Handel's *Halleluiah Chorus*, God poured dramatically into the depths of my soul, and I knew my whole life would be his. When I finished university, I spent a number of months in the main centre of Madonna House in Combermere, Canada. I was moved by the presence of God and especially by the radiance of our foundress, Catherine Doherty, when she spoke of her passionate love for God. I thought, "I will do anything to have that." Anything ended up breaking my engagement to be married, becoming Catholic and joining Madonna House! Before making my commitment to this Apostolate, I lived in a hermitage for a few months, then pilgrimaged around the world. But Madonna House was it! In my 38 years in this vocation, I've served in two soup kitchens, a poor house in a Mexican barrio, in our main centre as choir director and director of novices, and in a large home for the elderly. Don't tell anyone, but my favourite house is this one, where I've lived for over six years.



st Beside The Sea

PROFILE



Nikola: I was born in England, grew up in Australia and then moved to Canada. I often wondered about the deeper meaning of life from a young age. In Vancouver I studied Psychology and then continued on into Medical School. Although I went to Sunday Mass and prayed a little, none of it seemed to have much impact on my life. The crunch came in the middle of my studies. What was life really all about, and what was I doing? The questions became urgent and resulted in me taking a leave of absence. When looking for a place where I could touch the earth, use my body physically and satisfy my spiritual hunger, seemingly out of the blue, I received a book on Madonna House. I spent eight months at Madonna House in Canada, and it turned my life upside down. For the first time I experienced having God as my centre, actually living Gospel principles and loving others in a family atmosphere. I had found the answer to my deepest questions and I knew I had to live this way in order to be happy. I did a year of volunteer work for the Church, retrained as a teacher, visited Madonna House many times, and eventually it became clear that my true calling was to be with Madonna House.

The Little Mandate

The Little Mandate is composed of words that Catherine Doherty believed she received from Jesus Christ over the course of her apostolic life and is the heart of Madonna House spirituality.

Arise – go! Sell all you possess.
Give it directly, personally to the poor.
Take up My cross (their cross) and follow Me,
going to the poor, being poor,
being one with them, one with Me.
Little – be always little! Be simple, poor, childlike.
Preach the Gospel with your life – without compromise!
Listen to the Spirit. He will lead you.
Do little things exceedingly well for love of Me.
Love...love...love, never counting the cost.
Go into the marketplace and stay with Me.
Pray, fast. Pray always, fast.
Be hidden. Be a light to your neighbour's feet.
Go without fears into the depths of men's hearts. I shall be with you.
Pray always. I will be your rest.

Madonna House Factfile

- The Madonna House community is a spiritual family in the Catholic Church, one of the new ecclesial communities.
- It was founded by Russian Catholic convert Catherine de Hueck Doherty in Canada in 1947.
- Catherine once said: "Loneliness is the greatest poverty of our time."
- There are 200 members, including laymen, laywomen and about 20 priests, in 18 houses.
- After ten years with Madonna House, staff members take lifelong promises of poverty, chastity and obedience.
- People come from all over the world to stay in the main Madonna House "Training Centre" in the small village of Combermere in Ontario.
- The Robin Hood's Bay house started with Father Bob Wild and one layman in 1985.

PROFILE

Sara: I was born on a farm, on an island in Lake Ontario in Canada. My parents became Catholic when I was two, and I was baptised then. I stopped practising once I was a teenager, but felt a call back to faith in university. The ideas I had about life no longer seemed sufficient, so I started to wonder about God and the meaning of life. I happened to drop into an excellent student chaplaincy at York University in Toronto. During my time there, I realised I felt called to some form of consecrated life, but did not know what to do. At this time, I also heard about Madonna House from the other students. They told me it was possible to be a working guest at their main centre in Combermere and take part in their life of prayer, work and community life. I thought it sounded fun. I signed up to go for a month. At the end of the month, I knew I needed to go back to stay longer and learn how to live my faith in all aspects of my life, and I knew I could learn that at Madonna House. I ended up staying for a year. It also turned out to be the answer to the call I felt to consecrated life. I joined the community in 2010.



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**"Open my eyes, that I may see wonderful things."
- Psalm 119:18**



"Blessing is 5. If we do nothing, Blessing will be blind for the rest of his life."

Dr Aliraki Lisbon, Ophthalmologist at Mengo Hospital, Uganda.

Dear Middlesbrough Voice Reader,

As a fellow Christian, I wanted to share with you how incredibly powerful it is to witness a child seeing for the first time, after eye surgery.

As I carry out my work with Christian Blind Mission in East Africa, I am constantly moved by the astonishment and wonder on the faces of children when the bandages are removed and they get their first clear look at their smiling loved ones.

Five year old Blessing was born with cataracts. He has been barely able to see. But his doctor said that his sight can be restored through a simple 45-minute procedure.

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frustration and exclusion he could have light, colour and a future filled with opportunity. He could do well at school and find a way out of poverty.

The cataract removal surgery costs £95, but his family can barely afford even basic necessities, so I am turning to you in the hope that you can help.

If you could send a gift of £95 today, you could pay for a child like Blessing's surgery. You could open his eyes to the beauty of God's creation. And we'll send you an update on how Blessing's surgery goes.

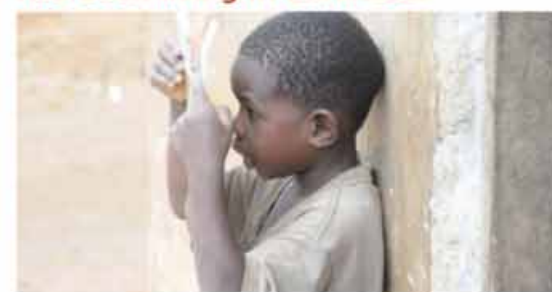
God bless you,

Laura

Laura Gore
Programme Manager CBM UK



Blessing's cataracts mean he has been living in darkness.



He can hardly see objects more than 50cm away.



Your gift could open a child's eyes and transform a life.

Christian Blind Mission is a huge inspiration to me. It works in more than 60 countries, including some of the world's poorest communities, to restore sight, mobility and independence to people living with disability. It's putting Christ's love into action for the most marginalised people. Will you join Christian Blind Mission by supporting this amazing work?

Diane Louise Jordan



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How Voice Readers Are Saving Lives

Francis Hannaway, from St Gabriel's Parish, Ormesby, in Middlesbrough, lives and works in Basankusu Diocese, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where he is a lay missionary with Mill Hill Missionaries. Francis returned to England during the winter because of political unrest. He looks back at his work so far.

My day job is teaching our Mill Hill candidates before they go on to further studies, and I teach English at the local minor seminary and I also keep our

accounts. What I talk about in the *Catholic Voice* is my other work.

I started in December 2014 with school desks for the voluntary schools for orphans. Over time we've been able to seat more than 100 children.

Next I was asked to find money for a disabled woman to have a wheelchair-bike made. We've just bought our sixth chair.

At the start of 2015, I got involved in a project for feeding malnourished children. At the end of that year I started my own project

in a rented house. Little by little, most of the original volunteers followed me to the new project. The local Catholic hospital asked to partner with us and to refer children. We started to receive children from a 50-mile radius. The owner of the house decided to profit from our success and put up the rent. We moved to another house which was free of charge – although we spent some money on improving it. Numbers of malnourished children continued to increase. We've just bought solar panels to have a light for night

feeding, pots, pans, chairs and other equipment. We created a vegetable garden in the forest and taught the parents about growing their own food. We make bread and charge people's phones.

This year we want to buy our own property – a bigger house which is closer to the hospital.

My work with malnourished children continues to save lives and get hundreds of children through the vital years of their early childhood. It's only funded by the contacts I have – mostly through the *Catholic Voice* and Facebook. Sadly, some of the children come too late and don't make it. There have been many times where I've gone knocking on doors trying to find a family that's run away from our help.

There was even one child who I physically removed from hospital to wash and feed – but unfortunately, again, too late. The only reason I don't cry myself to sleep each night after the suffering I see each week can only be because of the support I get from you.

Please continue to do that and I will be able to continue to do this vital work. Add me on Facebook. Words of encouragement in the form of comments keep me going. Small, frequent donations from *Voice* readers pay for my work.

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Volunteers Needed For African Projects

Volunteers with a variety of skills are being offered the chance to give their services for a short period in Africa.

Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) is responding to needs from partner organisations in Malawi, Uganda and Ghana. Successful applicants will spend three-to-six weeks working alongside local VMM volunteers and coordinators, providing skills including teaching assistance, community development and construction.

These opportunities are open to people of all ages and levels of experience. Some are aimed specifically at 18 to 25-year-olds while there are other specialised projects for those with a lifetime of experience. Additionally, professional placements are possible.

VMM is an international development and volunteering organisation which has sent more than 2,000 lay volunteers to nearly 40 countries. Its vision is to help build "a world where we live in the shelter of one another" and its mission is "to share who we are and not just what we have". Contact Van Garber at van@vmminternational.org or 0151 291 3438 for more details.



Middlesbrough Foodbank Seeks New Base

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in." Matthew 25 v35

These words of Jesus inspire the Trussell Trust to work to end poverty in our country.

The trust operates throughout our diocese, in Middlesbrough, Redcar, Hull, Malton and York, and receives support from many parishes.

Middlesbrough foodbank is busier than ever. During 2016 it supported 60% more people than in 2015 thanks to generous donations. Food is distributed to seven centres around the town from a central collection point and warehouse, which is currently situated at St Cuthbert's Church, near Newport Bridge. Although the centre has served them well it's now so busy that the trust is looking for larger, more suitable premises.

"We need a building with approximately 200 square metres of storage, office space, toilets and kitchen area, with easy transport routes," said a spokesman.

"Finding something suitable is proving quite a challenge, so we need your help with prayers and any suggestions of possible vacant buildings we could use."

Nationally the trust runs a network of more than 400 foodbanks, giving emergency food and support to people in crisis. An estimated 13m people live below the poverty line and in the last year the trust gave 1,109,309

three-day emergency food supplies.

People go hungry every day for a range of reasons, from benefit delays and sanctions to illness or receiving an unexpected bill on a low income.

Non-perishable, in-date food is donated by the public at schools, churches and businesses as well as supermarket collection points. It is then sorted into boxes to be given to people in need.

People are referred by care professionals such as doctors, health visitors, schools and social workers and a range of voluntary organisations working with vulnerable people and their families. They are given a foodbank voucher entitling them to a parcel of three days worth of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food.

However, the Trussell Trust recognises that stopping hunger is about more than giving food, which is why it is working to provide a range of new services like money advice and fuel banks, helping people to break the cycle of poverty.

When people turn to foodbanks for help, volunteers provide a listening ear over a warm drink and signpost them to other charities and agencies who can help resolve the underlying cause of the crisis.

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LOURDES



Christmas Party Fun In Hull

Around 80 Lourdes friends, supported pilgrims, hospitalité helpers and supporters enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party in Hull.

It was great to see some of our young handmaids and brancs who worked on this year's pilgrimage. Dom Boyes provided the music accompanied by Teresa Lambert as we all joined in with the carols.



As ever there was a fantastic buffet. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard in making it such a success and for the lovely cup of tea and bacon bun when we arrived!

Chris Tillotson,
Head Handmaid

Coach And Air Options
For Lourdes 64

The organisers of the 64th Middlesbrough Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes are delighted to announce that they are able to offer a coach option for the first time in many years.

A package including travel and six nights with full board in a choice of the Mediterranee, Alba or Agena hotels is available for £469. Coaches will leave Middlesbrough on Friday May 26 and sail from Dover to Calais before continuing through France and arriving in Lourdes on Saturday. They will begin their journey home the following Friday.

"We want to make sure as many people as possible are able to travel to Lourdes with us and this is one way we can help ensure that happens," said Executive Director Keith Tillotson. "We've worked hard with our new partners at Joe Walsh Tours and believe this package offers excellent value for money."

The pilgrimage, under the leadership of Bishop Terry, takes place from Friday May 26 to Friday June 2 and this year has the theme "The Lord has done great things for me". As usual, pilgrims can also join us on a specially chartered flight direct to Lourdes from Durham Tees Valley Airport.

Air packages include full board in a range of hotels, with prices starting at £659 per person, depending on the accommodation selected. Despite the fall in the value of the pound, the Lourdes committee has been able to ensure that prices have not risen this year, while some have actually been reduced significantly.



To book, fill in the form on this page, call Joe Walsh Tours on 0161 820 8790 or visit www.joewalshstours.co.uk. Online bookings qualify for a £10 discount. Please email Keith at executivedirector@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk if you have any queries or would like further information.

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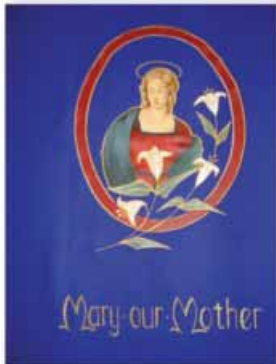
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Lively Discussion Follows Married Priest Talk

Mike Kerrigan sparked a lively discussion among members of Cleveland Newman Circle with a talk entitled on "Married Priests: their time has come".

Mike, who chairs the Movement for Married Clergy (MMAc), described how the Catholic population in England and Wales has fallen by about five per cent over the last 20 years but the number of priests has reduced by more than 20 per cent.

Bishops are rightly concerned and we all see the painful decisions being made about parish amalgamations. Mike proposed an alternative possibility – for parish leadership and the availability of Mass for all our communities, might we consider ordaining

married men?

Vatican II declared there is no intrinsic connection between the vocation to the priesthood and the charism of celibacy (meaning "being unmarried").

In the early church, some priests were married. Celibacy became the ideal following the rise of monasticism, but priestly celibacy was mandatory only from the 12th Century. Since then it has been the "badge" of Roman Catholic clergy.

Mike suggested there is a strong case for ordaining married men. It would enable more local Eucharistic communities to be supported, instead of expecting people to

travel further for Mass.

In addition, clericalism (regarding priests as a "class apart") would be diluted and the damaging loneliness of many priests could be reduced. Our priests who were previously Anglican clergy, and married, have shown how this can succeed and in the Eastern Catholic Church married priests are quite usual.

MMAc proposes that married priests work alongside celibate priests. They would be mature, trusted men, fulfilling priestly duties on a part-time basis.

Most would be self-supporting volunteers, not requiring a salary. Obviously their wives

need to be willing and, for family reasons, mobility must be managed carefully. Different patterns of training could be learned from other churches.

Cleveland Newman Circle hold six talks through the year in Middlesbrough Cathedral hall on Wednesdays at 7.45pm.

Father Philip Cunnah will talk on "The Holy Spirit, a hidden character in the work of salvation" on February 15 2017. All are welcome. For information about the group call 01642 645732 or email tpj.egerton@virgin.net.

Patricia Egerton

Fond Goodbye To Great-Grandma Kathleen



Clergy came from three sides of the diocese for the funeral of a well-known great-grandmother at Corpus Christi Church in Thorntree, Middlesbrough.

Father Frank Gallagher, from Hull, and Father Pat Keogh, from Whitby, joined parish priest Canon John Lumley to concelebrate a Requiem Mass for 84-year-old Kathleen Thomas.

Mrs Thomas was born in the St Hilda's area of the town and was a member of the cathedral choir but lived most of her life in Corpus Christi parish, and she took Holy Communion to sick parishioners for many years.

She had nine children, 29 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren. In recent years she attended daily Mass at the John Paul Centre and she also loved to visit the Lady Chapel at Mount Grace.

"The Church was a very big part of Mam's life," said her daughter, Catherine.

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ENGAGEMENTS FOR JANUARY 2017

17 Attends meeting of Bishop's Council
at Curial Office, Middlesbrough
11.00 am

18 Attends Northern Church Leaders
Day of Prayer at St Anthony's Priory,
Durham 10.00 am

21/22 Parish visitation to Our Lady & St
Benedict, Ampleforth All weekend

24-27 Attends the 500th Anniversary of
the Confraternity Church of
Sanlucar de Barrameda, Spain

31 Attends joint meeting of the House
of Bishops and the Conference of
Bishops in Birmingham
From 12 noon

1 Sun
11am Latin Mass in the traditional form at
Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar,
TS10 1SH
12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's,
Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St
Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

3 Tues
7pm Knights of St Columba, Council 29, meet
at St Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby
Newham, Middlesbrough commencing with
Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

4 Wed
6.30pm The Secular Franciscan Order meets
at More House, Heslington, York. Contact Mrs
Lyn Bradbury OFS, tel (01904) 470041 for
details
6.30pm Latin Mass, St Charles Borromeo,
Jarret Street, Hull

6 Fri
Dates of events and articles for inclusion in
the February issue of Voice must be received
by today

8 Sun
11am Latin Mass in the traditional form at
Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar,
TS10 1SH
12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's,
Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St
Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
Mass in the Malayalam language at St
Joseph's Church, Marton Road,
Middlesbrough. Contact tel (01642) 818203
for details

9 Mon
7.30pm Justice & Peace meet at St Bede's
Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York.
Contact: Nan Saeki, tel (01904) 783621 for
further details

10 Tues
12.45pm Hull and District Catholic Women's
Luncheon Club meet at the Kingston Theatre
Hotel, Hull
2-4pm LIFE ASCENDING Group, York West
meet at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr
Kelly Room
7.30pm The Knights of St Columba, Council
95, meet at the Council Chambers, English
Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York

11 Wed
10.30am The LIFE ASCENDING group at Our

Lady of Lourdes, Hessle meets after the
morning Mass
10.30am The LIFE ASCENDING group of St
Leonard and St Mary, Malton meets
2.30pm Prayer Group at the John Paul Centre,
55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New
members welcome.

13 Fri
7-8.30pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets in
St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull.
Contact John (01759) 380415 for details.
7.30pm Marian Evening at the John Paul
Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough –
Rosary, Holy Mass, talk, witness. Contact
Marie Bedingfield, tel (01642) 530739 for
details.
7.30pm-9.30pm Bible study in the Church
Hall, English Martyrs Church, Dalton Terrace,
York looking at one complete set of Sunday
readings (first, second and gospel). Contact
Marek Lichtarowicz, tel (01904) 795605 for
further details

15 Sun
11am Latin Mass in the traditional form at
Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar,
TS10 1SH
12 noon Sung Latin Mass, St Wilfrid's,
Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF
12.30pm for 1pm Cleveland Newman Circle
New Year Lunch, Parkmore Hotel, Eaglescliffe
3pm Catholic Fellowship Mass, St Joseph's,
Marton Road, Middlesbrough
6pm Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction, St
Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place, York YO1 7EF

18 Wed
8pm The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council
45, meet at St Joseph's Church, West Hull

20 Fri
7.30pm Aquinas Reading Group in the Upper
Room at St Wilfrid's, York. A guided reading
of the Summa Theologiae. Contact Steve
Evans, tel 07800697975 or e-mail:
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22 Sun
11am Latin Mass in the traditional form at
Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar,
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ADVANCE NOTICES:

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
takes place every Wednesday after the
9.30am Mass at St John's Church,
Beverley
15 February, Cleveland Newman Circle
'The Holy Spirit, a Hidden Character in
the Work of Salvation' by Fr Philip
Cunnah, St Mary's Cathedral
24 February, 'Pocklington Catholic
Heritage ... from Elizabethan Martyrs to
Archbishop Ullathorne.' A talk by Phil
Gilbank, 7.30pm tickets and
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22 March, Cleveland Newman Circle
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NEWS

Hero Award For Boro's Bernie

Middlesbrough football legend Bernie Slaven has been officially named a Teesside Hero in recognition of his dedicated work off the pitch.

The Glasgow-born Republic of Ireland international, now an adopted Teessider, scored 146 goals in eight years with Boro.

He also worked as one of radio's Three Legends and with the late "Voice of the Boro" Alistair Brownlee.

Over the years, 56-year-old Bernie has raised £40,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society, £37,000 for the Gary Parkinson Trust and £2,000 for diabetes research.

Now his generosity has been acknowledged with the award from local charity Middlesbrough and Teesside Philanthropic Foundation.

Catholic Bernie, who was pictured with the squad alongside Saint Pope John Paul II during Ireland's 1990 World Cup finals campaign, described the award as "a great honour".

"I raise money for charities, not for publicity," he said. "It makes me feel good and valuable that I can contribute to help people who are struggling."

Diabetes is a cause close to Bernie's heart, as his teenage son Ryan has the condition. As part of his award Bernie gave a £1,000 donation to James Cook Hospital to help local diabetes sufferers.

Bernie continues to raise money for his former Boro teammate Gary Parkinson, who is battling to recover from locked-in syndrome.

"Gary is one of the nicest lads I have ever met," he said. "He continues to laugh even



during this difficult period. We can only pray that he can make progress."

Bernie is also inspired by Willie Maddren, the former Middlesbrough manager who tragically died of Motor Neurone Disease (MND) and he is patron of the Mike Findley MND Fund.

He also raises funds for the Ann Charlton Lodge in Redcar, acts as a patron of the Sporting Memories Foundation and supported the launch of Middlesbrough Homeless Football Club.

Bernie regularly supports events for the Finlay Cooper Fund, helping local children in memory of the son of former Middlesbrough teammate Colin Cooper.

He's also played in numerous charity football games which raised around £30,000.

Holy Name of Mary parishioner Dave Allan, who nominated Bernie, said: "It's a bit of a contradiction to call someone who has such a high profile an unsung hero, but that's exactly what Bernie's charity work makes him."

Olympian Inspires Richmond Students

An Olympic silver-medallist went back to school to deliver an inspiring talk.

Dr Zoe Lee came second with the women's eight rowing team in Rio last summer. The 31-year-old spoke to last year's GCSE students at her former school, St Francis Xavier, in Richmond.

Zoe, who combined her Olympic training with studying for a PhD in Geography, gave the talk in the Team GB jacket she wore at the Olympic opening ceremony.

She told the pupils: "As individuals you have worked hard and performed well and together you have achieved the best set of GCSE results the school has ever seen."



Dr Zoe Lee with winners at the Richmond GCSE students' awards evening

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York Christians Speak Up Against Climate Change

Catholics in York joined other Christians and supporters in the city for an event organised by York Oxfam in response to Pope Francis' plea to take care of our common home.

The campaigners, who included members of the York Justice and Peace group, were joined by local MPs Rachael Maskell and Julian Sturdy.

Both politicians signed a pledge drawn up by CAFOD and other organisations who are part of the Climate Coalition. They agreed to work for a “thriving natural world on land and at sea, clean air and water, communities connected to nature, and a sustainable economy”.

The pledge includes environmental provisions on farming, investment in low carbon technologies and the ratification of the COP21 Paris agreement on Climate

Change before the end of the year.

Ms Maskell, who is MP for York Central and Shadow Minister for the Environment, said: “There is nothing more important than addressing climate change. It’s at the source of conflict, famine and migration. As politicians we must be aware of the impacts on the whole planet of our actions and behaviour.”

Mr Sturdy, MP for York Outer, added: “MPs, like everyone, have a moral obligation to act on climate change, which poses an increasing security threat around the world. Food security, energy security and water security are growing issues around the world, and climate change is at the heart of this.”

The event was part of the national “Speak Up for Climate Change” action for the environment day.

Barbara Hungin, Justice & Peace Commission

Free Resources Accompany Epic Film

Free official resources are available to help Christian groups engage with *Silence*, a new historical epic showing in cinemas from January 1.

The film is directed by cinematic master Martin Scorsese and based on the classic novel by Japanese Catholic writer Shusako Endo.

Silence tells the story of two young Jesuit priests, Father Rodrigues (Andrew Garfield) and Father Garrpe (Adam Driver), who travel to Japan in the early 17th Century.

In a country where Catholicism has been banned and Christians face terrible persecution, the two men go in search of their missing mentor, Father Ferreira (Liam Neeson). Scorsese met Pope Francis at a screening of the film in a Vatican chapel in November.

The resources offer a chance to discuss and reflect on what it means for Christians to have the courage of our convictions, and how we can support the global persecuted church today. Visit silence.damarismedia.com for more information.

Quiz Answers

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