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**Bishop's  
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As you are aware, Pope Francis has dedicated this year to the Consecrated Life. It began on the First Sunday of Advent last year and continues until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord next year, 2016. In September we had a two-day celebration entitled "Living Joyfully". I write these few words as a greeting and acknowledgement to all those who live the Consecrated Life within this Diocese of Middlesbrough.

According to our website we have 182 religious living and working within the diocese. Without the life and work of religious in our diocese we would be so much the poorer. We need your witness and dedicated ministry, brothers and sisters, in religious communities, apostolic societies and secular institutes. The history of so many of our parishes and indeed the diocese itself, together with its myriad institutions, is intimately entwined with the testimony and dedicated ministry of so many religious communities. Thank you for your witness and presence. They are precious gifts to us and to our world in which there is a dearth of such spiritual treasures. Poverty, Chastity and Obedience are not common commodities these days; but what a sign they give!

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *Novo Millennio Ineunte*, Pope Saint John Paul II encouraged us to "remember the past with gratitude...live the present with enthusiasm...and enter the future with confidence!" This year is an opportunity to remember the past and show our gratitude. But we best honour the accomplishments of those who have served in the Consecrated Life by the lives we lead today – by the commitment we make now to assure that such good works continue with the same creative and exciting spirit that marked their efforts in the beginning.

As Bishop, I would like to invite all the clergy and people of the Diocese of Middlesbrough to give thanks to Almighty God in acknowledging the service and ministry of so many sons and daughters of the Church in Consecrated Life during the last 137 years of our diocesan history. The life of the diocese and our own personal lives are changed for the better because of these dedicated men and women who have committed their lives to the Lord.

During the course of this year we offer our prayers especially for those who have made the commitment to the religious life and all forms of Consecrated Life. With our Holy Father Pope Francis we "entrust this Year of Consecrated Life to Mary, the Virgin of listening and contemplation, the first disciple of her beloved Son. Let us look to her, the highly beloved daughter of the Father, endowed with every gift of grace, as the unsurpassed model for all those who follow Christ in love of God and service to their neighbour." (Letter on the Year of Consecrated Life, November 21 2014)

Yours in blessed hope

*John Long*

# A Passion For Jesus And His People



**SUNDAY OCTOBER 18 IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, WHEN EVERY CATHOLIC CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD GIVES WHAT IT CAN TO HELP AND SUPPORT THE CHURCH WHERE IT IS UNABLE TO SUPPORT ITSELF. THIS YEAR THE FOCUS IS ON THE WORLD'S YOUNGEST CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, IN MONGOLIA...**

In 1992, Father Wens Padilla packed the

warmest clothes he had and set off from his home country of the Philippines for the capital of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar. His mission was to share God's love with the people living in one of the harshest climates in the world, following the collapse of Communism. Today, he is the nation's first and only bishop.

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A Passion For Jesus And His People

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The future Bishop Wens and two other priests arrived together, operating out of a hotel room. The three men would celebrate Mass with expatriates. Eventually, they in turn brought their Mongolian friends and, before long, the first Catholic church building was constructed, supported by the Pope's own charity for overseas mission, Missio. Bishop Wens started initiatives including a care centre for homeless children, schools, clinics, and training centres. "All cater for the very poor, those who have no clothes to wear, no food, no family," he says.

As Pope Francis reminds us in his message for this year's World Mission Sunday: "Mission is at once a passion for Jesus and a passion for his people."

This passion is what drives Bishop Wens and the work of the missionaries he works

alongside. With the help of local catechists, they are reaching out and sharing the Catholic faith with the Mongolian people in a way that is relevant and meaningful to their own culture.

Gantulga's family is just one example of those whose lives have been dramatically transformed, thanks to missionaries sharing God's love. The family first learned about the Catholic Church when they moved to the rural town of Arvaiheer ten years ago. Along with his wife, Uurtsaikh, and children, Gantulga sought refuge after tragically losing all their livestock, and therefore their livelihood, due to the freezing conditions.

While Uurtsaikh and the children attended activities run by the Church, Gantulga was haunted by his alcohol addiction and destructive behaviour. Sadly, in Mongolia

alcoholism, domestic abuse and extreme poverty is widespread.

Seeing the changes in his wife, Gantulga was inspired to learn about the Catholic faith and started going to church with Uurtsaikh and their children. Gantulga was baptised at Easter two years ago, and is now a parish catechist.

He says: "When I started going to church and feeling how God's mercy reaches me, I felt I had to receive baptism. Now I can say I am a better father and husband because I have received God's mercy and can be merciful to others."

On Sundays, young and old gather in the traditional ger (tent) church, sharing their faith and supporting each other.

Gantulga explains: "There is a positive


influence of the Church here in this whole community. There is more joy and happiness around us and there has been a big change for the better in the lives of many people."

In order to share God's love, Bishop Wens and his fellow missionaries rely on the worldwide Catholic family, through Missio.

"Although I've seen many Mongolians come to know Christ, there are still so many more that need to be reached," he says. "I want to continue reaching out to the poor and am grateful for the love and support of our sisters and brothers in England and Wales."

The World Mission Sunday collection is one of just three personally requested by the Pope each year. Last year's collection in parishes across England and Wales raised £523,099. Find out more at [missio.org.uk/wms2015](http://missio.org.uk/wms2015)

# Use Your Voice!



**We want the *Catholic Voice* to be a vibrant publication, full of news from all over our diocese. To do that, we rely on our readers to let us know what's going on.**

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Don't worry about writing a Pulitzer Prize-winning article. If you want to just give us the bare facts and let us do the rest, that's fine. Try to keep articles relatively short and bear in mind they might be edited for reasons of space and style. Also, stories might not always appear in the next edition of the paper, so please bear with us.

If you're taking photographs, please try to get people's faces in, make sure the light is coming from behind you and think about the background. Posed pictures are often best where possible, rather than catching people by surprise!

We'd also like to hear your feedback about the paper. What do you like and dislike about it and what could we do better? Is the text big enough for you to read?

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# Ebor Talk Series Underway

**The 2015-16 series of Ebor Lectures in Theology and Public Life began with a talk in York Minster from Natalie Samarasinghe, executive director of the United Nations Association UK.**

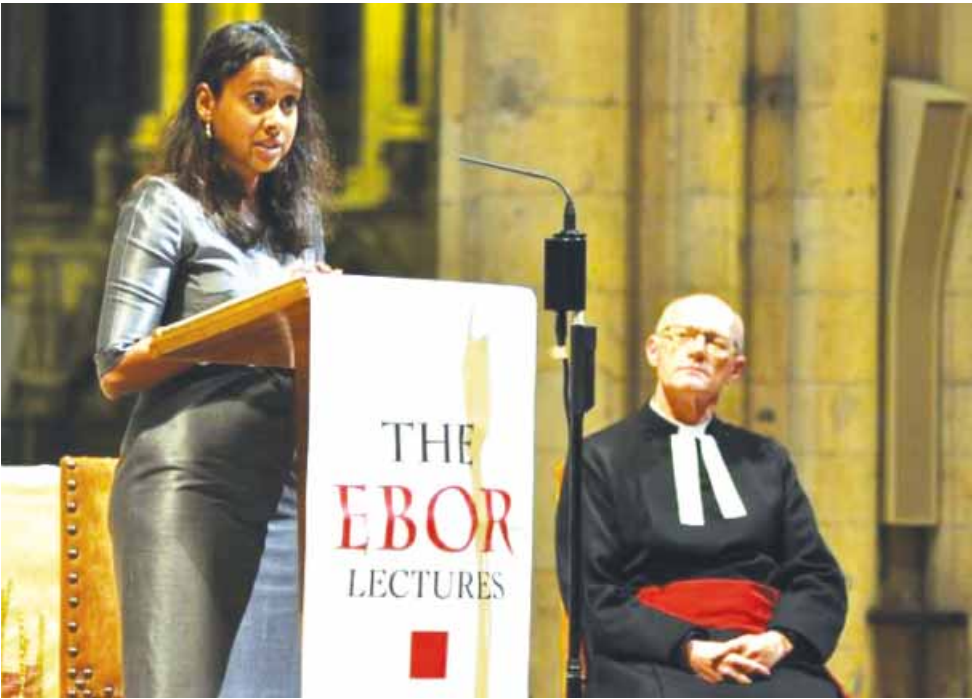
This year's theme is "Global Security and the United Nations: 70 Years On" and Ms Samarasinghe's presentation was entitled "The United Nations at 70 – has our global experiment worked?"

The lectures aim to examine the UN's contributions to global security and its shortcomings and to explore ways for local communities to get involved in promoting and maintaining peace and justice.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations with 51 member states in 1945. Today its membership has risen to 193 states.

The next lecture will be given by BBC broadcaster Lyse Doucet OBE in York Minster on Wednesday October 21.

For full details of the programme, visit [www.yorks.ac.uk](http://www.yorks.ac.uk) and search for "Ebor".



# Your Parish Needs You!

**The Diocese of Middlesbrough is committed to safeguarding children and adults at risk. As part of this commitment, we aim to have two Safeguarding Representatives in each parish, performing this vital role.**

Some parishes are better off than others and already have two representatives but others only have one and some have none at all.

Are you interested in safeguarding?

Do you want to make a worthwhile contribution to your parish?

Do you want to do something that will make a difference?

Then your parish needs you!

Working with your parish priest and parish community, you will be the face of safeguarding for your area. Your main roles would be to...

Promote good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people and adults at risk within the parish or congregation.

Be the link between parish and diocese.

Attend training sessions to supplement and develop a sound knowledge of the Church's policies and procedures.

Be the initial point of contact and liaise with the Safeguarding Co-ordinator in specific circumstances.

Be involved in the recruitment of people to roles within the parish to facilitate the DBS Disclosure procedure at local level and ensuring that everyone who is required to go through the process does so.

Although some knowledge of safeguarding would be an advantage in this role, we are looking for dedicated volunteers who want to learn, so don't let lack of experience put you off applying.

Remember, you will not be alone in this role, as you will be

supported by up-to-date training, a parish pack that has all the information you may need, your parish priest and the safeguarding team based at the Curial Office.

If you are interested in becoming a parish safeguarding representative, now is the time to volunteer.

For an informal chat about the role, please talk to your parish priest or the safeguarding team on 01642 850505. We look forward to hearing from you!

# Talk Examines Moral Dilemmas

All are welcome when St John of God Brother Robert Moore OH speaks at Cleveland Newman Circle's monthly meeting.

"Ethics and Catholic Social Teaching today: Compliance and controversy" is the title of the talk, which considers the moral dilemmas raised in 21st Century Britain.

The meeting is at St Mary's Cathedral Hall in Middlesbrough on Wednesday October 21 at 7.45pm, with coffee and tea from 7.30pm.

For more details email [tpj.egerton@virgin.net](mailto:tpj.egerton@virgin.net) or call 01642 645732.



# Diocese Welcomes Pope's Tribunal Reforms

In September, Pope Francis issued a document called *Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus* (The Lord Jesus, the Gentle Judge) which made significant changes to the way in which the Diocesan Tribunal works with regard to the processing of applications for a declaration of nullity.

**Q. What is an annulment?**

An annulment (a "declaration of nullity") is a

ruling that a marriage was null from the beginning – something was wrong at the time of the wedding which prevented a valid marriage from coming into existence. This is different than a divorce, which dissolves a marriage that is in existence.

**Q. Has the Church's teaching on marriage changed?**

No. The Holy Father has reiterated the

Church's teaching on the indissolubility of marriage. His desire is not to encourage more and more annulment applications but to help those, often with a heavy heart, who apply, whilst at the same time safeguarding the principles of justice and fairness.

**Q. What has changed that affects me?**

1. The process of investigating the possible nullity of a marriage has remained essentially the same. However, the Holy Father has removed the automatic need for a second tribunal (in our case, Liverpool) to back up the decision of the Middlesbrough Tribunal if we judge a marriage to be null. However, the right of appeal remains. In an uncontested case, this will certainly shorten the length of time the process will take. The normal process generally takes just a few months here in the Middlesbrough Diocese.

2. The Holy Father has introduced a new "shorter" form of the annulment process. If both the Petitioner and the Respondent consent (in writing) and the reason for nullity is demonstrably clear, without the need for further investigation or witnesses, a shorter dossier can be drawn up by the Judicial Vicar to be submitted to the Bishop for his decision as to the nullity or validity of the marriage. The Holy Father has given examples to guide Judicial Vicars in their decision as to which cases come into this category. The Bishop can either issue a decree of nullity or refer the case back to the normal process.

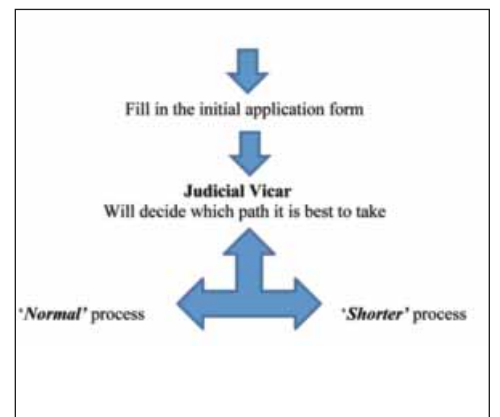
3. The Holy Father desires that, if possible, the process should be free of charge to those who apply. We in the Diocese of Middlesbrough already significantly reduced the cost in recent months but will offer the process, as Pope Francis desires, free of charge.

**Q. When does all this start?**

December 8, the first day of the Year of Mercy.

**Q. How will it work in practise?**

In all cases, your first port of call should be your own pastor, your Parish Priest. Talk with him. The Judicial Vicar and Tribunal staff are always ready to help and advise if necessary. If, in discussion, your situation falls under the normal category of an application for a declaration of nullity, contact the Tribunal.



You will then be guided by the Tribunal through the process.

In the Diocese of Middlesbrough, we welcome the Holy Father's reforms and stand shoulder to shoulder with him in his desire to protect the truth of the sacred bond of marriage whilst, at the same time, helping those oppressed by the darkness of doubt to come closer as children to the Church, their mother.

**Father Stephen Maughan, Judicial Vicar**

## Bishops' Message On Call To Mission And Mercy

**A pastoral letter from the Catholics Bishops' Conference of England and Wales on the forthcoming Year of Mercy was read out at all churches on Home Mission Sunday.**

The letter focused on the importance of proclaiming God's Mercy.

It read: "Our response to Pope Francis is to make the task of proclaiming God's mercy the priority in our own efforts. This we will strive to do most especially during the Jubilee Year of Mercy, established by Pope Francis, beginning this December.

"He writes: 'How much I desire that the year to come will be steeped in mercy, so that we can go out to every man and woman, bringing the goodness and tenderness of God! May the balm of mercy reach everyone.' – *Misericordiae Vultus* 5. So we ask your help. Together let us Proclaim God's Mercy."

The bishops add that the key to effective proclamation is "to be ready to live constantly in the presence of God, knowing that God never takes his eyes off us, not to catch us out, but because he loves us so much. When we are constantly aware of that loving gaze which is upon us, and of the mercy and encouragement that flows our way, then we are enabled to look on others in the same way.

"These are the foundations of evangelisation. On them, other steps

can be built: the opportunity to speak about our faith; the expression of that love in programmes of action towards those most in need; a loving care for those who have been hurt by life and hurt within the Church, for whom any return to the practice of their faith is particularly difficult.

"In this effort for evangelisation we seek out ways of accompanying others, through friendship, through prayer, through conversation, so that they sense in us the welcome that God most certainly extends to them. Our efforts need not be complicated or heroic. As Our Blessed Lady reminds us, through our humble efforts the Lord can do great things!"

Free resources about Home Mission Sunday have been sent to every parish and religious house. Parishes were also invited to take a second collection to support the work of evangelisation nationally.

As part of the ongoing Proclaim '15 initiative, new online evangelisation resources have been launched, including a film archive of talks and workshops delivered at the National Evangelisation Conference in Birmingham in July.

There is also a series of 11 themed sheets for download, offering a breadth of simple tips to help parishes serve others and grow.

## 2015 York Newman Lecture

The concept of sin will be under the microscope when Professor Karen Kilby, Bede Chair of Catholic Theology at Durham University, gives this year's York Newman Lecture.

In "Beyond sex and chocolate: poverty, injustice and the sense of sin", Professor Kilby will examine the controversial notion of structural sin, originally developed by Latin American liberation theologians.

She will ask whether the concept of sin is of any use and whether it helps us to better understand our own relationship with poverty and injustice.

The lecture will take place at the Bar Convent, Blossom Street, York, on Monday October 19 at 7.30pm. All are welcome. There is a charge of £1 for members and £2 for non-members £2, students free.

For more information, contact Judith Smeaton on 01904 704525 or email [judith.smeaton@btinternet.com](mailto:judith.smeaton@btinternet.com)



NEWS

# Chilean Lay Community Assist At Ampleforth



A small group of Manquehue Apostolic Movement members are to settle as a community on the Ampleforth campus to devote themselves to a two-year period of service in the schools.

During their stay, the Chilean visitors will strive to deepen their own relationship with Christ through *lectio divina*, the essential reading and reflection on scripture which is at the heart of the community, and share their sense of faith and mission, primarily with students at Ampleforth College and St Martin's Ampleforth.

The Abbot of Ampleforth, Father Cuthbert Madden OSB, said this was a wonderful opportunity to deepen the relationship between the Manquehue Movement and Ampleforth.

“The Manquehue Movement was inspired by the Benedictine spirit at Ampleforth and it's both humbling and gratifying that more than 30 years later, some members of that community wish to commit themselves to a longer period of service in our schools.”

Ampleforth College headmaster David Lambon is looking forward to welcoming the group.

He added: “In the past we have seen the tremendous benefit of the work they have done with students in just one term, helping them to reflect on their faith and begin to share that faith with others, something which is a great challenge in our secularised society.

“We hope this initiative will be of service not just to Ampleforth, but to the wider Church in both Chile and the United Kingdom.”

The Manquehue Apostolic Movement was founded in Chile 1977 by José Manuel Eguiguren and members have been visiting Ampleforth since 2004. The group will arrive at the start of next year.

# Agony And Glory, For CAFOD

CAFOD supporter JOHN HEPWORTH, from St Romuald's Parish, in Yarm, raised more than £1,000 for the charity by taking part in the Outlaw Triathlon at Nottingham's National Watersports Centre. Here he tells us about the experience...

The event is an iron-distance triathlon involving a 2.4-mile swim in the rowing lake, a 112-mile cycle through the countryside of Nottinghamshire and finishing with a 26.2-mile run around the lake and into and out of Nottingham.

This was my second long distance triathlon, having completed Ironman UK for CAFOD two years ago. I just missed out then on finishing under 13 hours and I felt there was unfinished business.

Having trained for six months and spent an average of nine hours per week preparing for this event, I entered the water at 6am, cautiously confident that a sub-13-hour time was possible.

I chose to start with the slower swimmers at the back of the 1,400 competitors and struggled out of the water an hour and 23 minutes later. After a few minutes in the changing tent, I was on my bike and off – this was where I hoped to make most of the flat bike course.

The support of family and friends and the hundreds of volunteers who freely give their time to facilitate these events is amazing. After an hour on the bike I was on target and importantly was feeding well. The bike section is part cycling, part eating challenge!

Then the weather took a turn for the worse, with strengthening wind and rain. As a result my bike speed slowed and the roads became greasy and I felt more and more miserable.

Six-and-a-half hours later I was off the bike and looking forward to putting on the rain jacket I'd foolishly left behind on the bike leg.

The run started slow and cold and just got slower until, by mile 12, I was feeling hypothermic and getting stressed that I couldn't see Madaline, my wife, in the crowds. She had forgotten where the vantage point we agreed we would see each other was, and stood for five hours in the rain, never once seeing me pass.

Reduced to a slow shuffle, I crossed the finish line some 13 hours and 34 minutes later, a dishevelled mess. But at no time was I going to quit. It was for CAFOD, after all, and the knowledge of the great work that would result from my achievement kept me going.



Many thanks to all who supported me in my fundraising. Never again – until the next time!

# CAFOD Prepares For Harvest Appeal

Churches in our diocese are getting ready to raise funds for this year's CAFOD Harvest appeal, which is supporting people affected by hunger in the world's poorest country.

The annual parish fundraising campaign is focused on working with communities in Niger, where CAFOD is helping people adapt as temperatures rise and dry seasons become longer. CAFOD's partners deliver work, tools, and training for farmers to enable them to buy and grow food during droughts and show parents how to keep their babies healthy if food runs dangerously low.

CAFOD is encouraging parishioners to hold “Give and Grow” sales of food they have produced themselves to raise money for the appeal.

Carol Cross, CAFOD coordinator in the Diocese of Middlesbrough,

said: “When we can simply pop to the supermarket to buy food rather than have to rely on the food that we ourselves have grown, it's easy for most of us to take it for granted that we'll have enough to eat.

“Yet many people around the world go hungry if there is a drought or crops fail, and so it's vital that we help children to survive food shortages and go on and live their lives to the full.

“We'd like to thank all the parishioners who are organising fundraisers at their churches. Their support will help to bring hope to so many people.”

More information about CAFOD's Harvest appeal can be found at [cafod.org.uk/harvest](http://cafod.org.uk/harvest)

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# Ged's Quick Quiz

With quiz champion Ged Askins

**Connection question**

- Born Lyndsey Monckton Rubin, this singer represented the UK in the 1979 Eurovision Song Contest with *Rock Bottom*.
- Who was Britain's first £1m footballer?
- What was the real name of the writer we know by the pen-name Lewis Carroll?
- Former American Idol runner-up Adam Lambert has toured as lead singer with which rock band?
- Which French designer is known for the “little black dress”?

**Thinking cap question**

Can you name the seven places with city status within the historic boundaries of Yorkshire?



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!

SCHOOLS

St Thérèse of Lisieux  
October 1

When she was a young girl Thérèse wanted to be a nun, but her father said she must wait until she was older. She then wrote to the Pope asking for his help.

He was so impressed by her that he gave her special permission, and she was able to join the Carmelite sisters when she was only 15 years old.

"I just want to love God," she told the other sisters. She is often called "The Little Flower", because she promised to send down a shower of roses from heaven when she died. Many miracles have occurred through her help.



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## NEWS

# Work Underway At Ingleby Barwick



Father Pat is pictured in the Sanctuary area of the building among the newly erected steelwork

Building work and fundraising are both underway as the new church in St Thérèse of Lisieux Parish at Ingleby Barwick begins to take shape.

With completion in January next year fast approaching, the parish still needs to raise money to pay for the pews and seating.

Parish priest Father Pat Hartnett said: "People have been so generous. We already have the tabernacle and Stations of the Cross and a promise from St Thérèse of Lisieux Primary School to meet the costs of

the font.

"But there is still so much to fund – not forgetting, of course, the need to repay the diocese the loan for the build."

The parish has set up an account on [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk), whereby a percentage from online purchases contributes to the building fund. Search for "St Therese of Lisieux".

Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund can contact Father Pat on 01642 751304.



Anne Tracy, Alan Gerrard, Nan Saeki, Tom Robinson and Clare and David Palmer, who attended the National Justice and Peace Network conference in Derbyshire

## Campaigners Join Peace Conference

A group from our diocese attended this year's National Justice and Peace Network conference, which had the theme "Things that make for peace".

Guest speakers included Father Edu Gariguez, a Filipino religious leader and environmentalist who has campaigned against mining projects that threatened the existence of indigenous peoples.

Pax Christi, CAFOD and Missio were represented and workshops were held on subjects including the Pope's recent encyclical *Laudato Si'* and the militarisation of young people.

Tom Robinson, one of the Middlesbrough Diocese attendees, said: "The weekend was a fantastic opportunity to join fellow campaigners from across the Church and share experiences, encouragement and support.

"It was heartening to hear about the varied campaigns taking place in our parishes and to meet like-minded people who are committed to the justice and peace cause."

For more information on the Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission, visit [www.middlesbroughjpc.org](http://www.middlesbroughjpc.org)

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## Canon Lawyers Visit Rome



Canon law students from London's Heythrop College are pictured on a recent trip to the Vatican.

The visit included the Apostolic Signatura, the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts, the Roman Rota, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vatican secret archives and the English College.

Mass was celebrated at the altar of Pope St John Paul II in St Peter's and at the chapel of St Raymond of Penyafort OP, patron of canon lawyers, in the Basilica di Santa Maria sopra Minerva.

The picture shows, from left to right, Sir Anthony Holland, Father Joseph Akono, Philip

Westmacott, Doctor Heather Sheridan, Sue Westmacott, course tutor Sister Doctor Helen Costigane SHCJ, Michael L'Estrange and Joseph Fitzpatrick.

Philip and Sue live in Barton-le-Street, near Malton. Philip is a student on the MA Canon Law course, following in the footsteps of Kevin Ryan, who also belongs to the Middlesbrough Diocese and who finished the course a couple of years ago.

Sue completed her MA in Pastoral Theology at Heythrop in 2000. She is an auditor for the marriage tribunals and pastoral assistant at St Leonard's in Malton.



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NEWS

UK ‘Stands At A Crossroads’

Middlesbrough MP and Holy Name of Mary parishioner ANDY McDONALD offers a personal reflection on current world events...

In these difficult and worrying times, the UK stands at a crossroads.

The world's richest one per cent own over 50 per cent of the world's wealth – more than 3.5 billion people combined. Globally and domestically, the gap is growing.

The UK's wealthiest co-exist with increasing use of food banks, rising homelessness and 3.5 million children living in poverty, 63 per cent of whom are from working families.

The scourges of poverty, inequality and exclusion are not natural phenomena. As a nation, we can make different choices. Values of community and the common good, which have bound us together, along with the institutions that embody these values, are being dismantled. In their place, exploitation and self-interest have become the order of the day.

Beyond our borders, war, murder, torture, religious intolerance, poverty and climate change have provoked an exodus of desperate and persecuted masses. The scale of the resultant refugee crisis facing Europe is huge.

Thus far, we've been found wanting in our response. Politicians must see beyond tomorrow's headlines. Profits of companies managing the refugees cannot be such a priority in our considerations opposite the basic human rights and needs of our sisters and brothers. The scales must fall from our eyes so that we see the individual tragedies of fellow human beings who lie behind figures and statistics.

Our common humanity is being tested and narrow political solutions won't do. Problems of this scale require bold thinking, moral clarity and leadership. It falls to all of us politicians, supported by our communities, to show the way.



John Hits The Heights For Charity

Lourdes *brancardier* John Taylor raised £1,300 for Cancer Research by climbing England's highest peak, Scafell Pike. John and his wife Sheila, a Lourdes handmaid, thanked the many members of the Lourdes family who generously sponsored him.

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## NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS

# Pope Calls On Catholics To Shelter Refugees

**Pope Francis has called on every European parish and religious community to offer shelter to a migrant family.**

Speaking during the Sunday Angelus, the Holy Father told crowds gathered in St Peter's Square: "May Every parish, every religious community, every monastery, every sanctuary of Europe, take in one family."

The Pope said giving shelter to the needy is a "concrete act of preparation" for the forthcoming Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Archbishop of Westminster Cardinal Vincent Nichols said the Catholic Church in England and Wales will rise to the Pope's challenge to generously support people forced to flee their own countries.

"We urge government to respond positively to this crisis and to provide the necessary resources and funding to ensure the effective reception and long-term resettlement of these desperate people," he said.

"We will work with both government and other responsible authorities to meet this grave challenge."

Cardinal Nichols called on Catholics to pray and offer financial support, time and professional skills, shelter and accommodation.



A prayer vigil for refugees is held outside Westminster Cathedral Photo copyright Mazur/catholicnews.org.uk

## A prayer from Pope St John Paul II

*Hear my voice, for it is the voice of the victims of all wars and violence among individuals and nations.*

*Hear my voice, for it is the voice of all children who suffer and will suffer when people put their faith in weapons and war.*

*Hear my voice when I beg You to install into the hearts of all human beings the wisdom of peace, the strength of justice, and the joy of fellowship.*

*Hear my voice, for I speak for the multitudes in every country and in every period of history who do not want war and are ready to walk the road of peace.*

*Hear my voice and grant insight and strength so that we may always respond to hatred with love, to injustice with total dedication to justice, to need with the sharing of self, to war with peace.*

*O God, hear my voice and grant unto the world Your everlasting peace.*

*Amen*

## Cardinal's Thanksgiving For Queen's Reign

**Cardinal Nichols expressed the "great loyalty and gratitude" of the Catholic community as Queen Elizabeth II became the longest reigning monarch in British history.**

The Cardinal offered prayers of thanksgiving for 63 years of "outstanding and unstinting service".

He said: "We thank you, too, for your steadfast insistence on the great importance of our Christian faith, given in both word and example, alongside your appreciation of the contribution made by other religions in our rich and diverse society today.

"Our hope is that, enriched by the presence of many beliefs and cultures, our country will always maintain respect for our Christian heritage and the sure foundations that it provides for a flourishing of true human fulfilment."

The Vatican daily newspaper, L'Osservatore Romano, published an article by Britain's ambassador to the Holy See, Nigel Baker, describing the 89-year-old monarch as a "figure of continuity" for the country over the past six decades.

The Queen has met five popes during her reign.

## 'Disappointment' At Free Schools Exclusion

**The Catholic Education Service (CES) has expressed disappointment at being prohibited from the Government's push for free schools.**

Although it is the largest provider of secondary education in England and Wales, the Catholic Church is unable to open new free schools, despite significant demand from thousands of parents.

The CES is concerned that as an education provider with a strong track record of providing high-quality schooling, it is being prevented from participating in this flagship government policy.

A cap prohibits potential Catholic free schools from accepting more than half their pupils on religious grounds.

Paul Barber, Director of the CES, said: "We share the Government's desire to provide hundreds of thousands of quality school places and its plan to give parents more choice in education.

"Providing high-quality schooling is something the Catholic Church already does and the CES would ask the Government to remove the barriers which hinder us continuing to do this."

The CES is an agency of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

Ofsted has rated 83% of Catholic schools as good or outstanding and Catholic schools outperform the national average by eight percentage points at GCSE.

## Conference Examines Inter-Faith Relations



The Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis meeting the Pope in Rome last month. He was accompanied on his trip by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Photo copyright Mazur/catholicnews.org.uk

**Achievements and challenges in the Church's relations with Jews and other religions in the 50 years since the Second Vatican Council is the subject of a forthcoming conference.**

Cardinal Walter Kasper will join a host of senior clergy and academics speaking at Nostra Aetate, which takes place at London's Heythrop College from Thursday November 5 to Saturday November 7.

The cost is £25 per day, including refreshments and lunch. For further details visit [www.heythrop.ac.uk/nostraetate](http://www.heythrop.ac.uk/nostraetate) or call 020 7795 4194.



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# Seaside Day Out For Those Seeking Sanctuary



## Musicians Explore Advent Music

**Parish musicians are invited to explore new music and fresh ideas for Advent at events in Northallerton and York on Saturday October 17.**

All are welcome at Sacred Heart Church, Northallerton, from 10.30am to noon, and at Our Lady's, Acomb, from 10am to noon.

Tim Harrison will lead the Northallerton session and Sue Black will lead the Acomb session.

\*Do you love singing? Would you like to be part of a first class choir? Our Diocesan Choir meets once each month on a Sunday afternoon at Our Lady's, Acomb, and sings at our major services in the diocese. There is no audition and all are welcome. Sing great music and make new friends. Join us!

Tim Harrison

**A group of 25 asylum seekers and refugees enjoyed a trip to Whitby for the annual day of welcoming hosted by St Hilda's Parish, together with English Martyrs, Sleights.**

The visitors, who were from the Congo, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Albania and other countries, were appreciative of a welcoming meal and activities including a boat trip, paddling in the sea and walks around town. They were also grateful for gifts of food, clothing and toys. But it was the parishioners

who gained most from the day. Meeting these people face to face and listening to their stories opened up a whole new understanding, not only of what they have suffered, but of their hopes and aspirations.

We were humbled and enriched by our encounters with these brave men, women and children, our sisters and brothers.

The group were brought by Justice First, Stockton.

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## Blazing Grannies Back From Fringe

**Audiences in York and Scarborough will get a taste of the Edinburgh Fringe when Blazing Grannies come to town.**

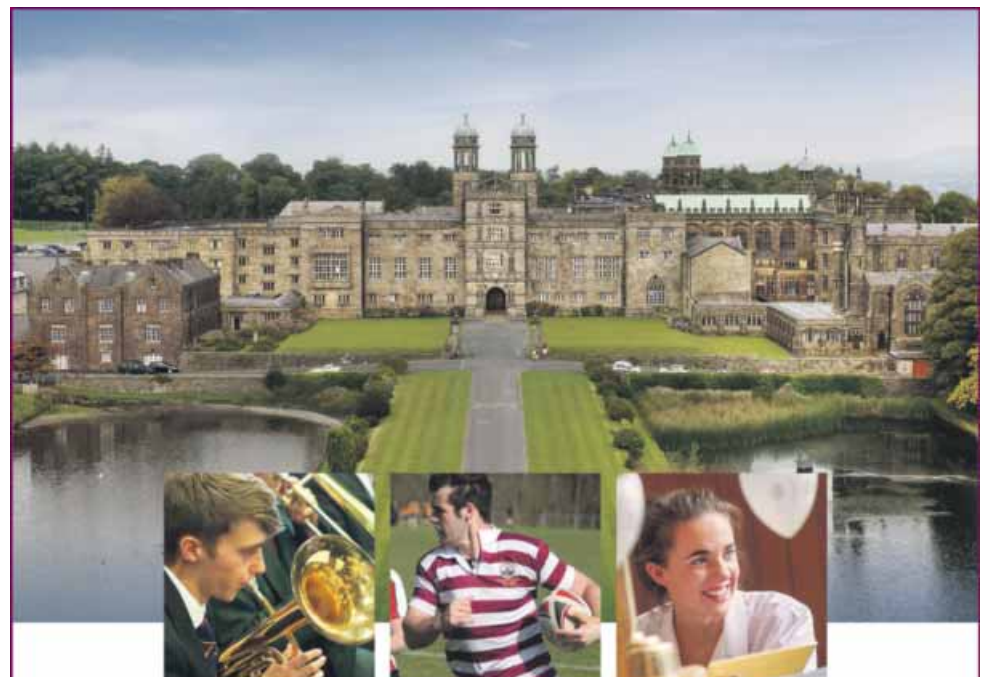
*Mrs Tobit Tells All*, based on the Old Testament Book of Tobit and featuring storyteller Mary Callan and musician Florence McCudden, was performed for 12 days in the Scottish capital during August.

Friends in York can see *Mrs Tobit Tells All* at St Paul's Church of England Church, Holgate Road on Tuesday September 29 at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 and £3.

Blazing Grannies will then perform *Family Crises* on Sunday October 25 at 4.30pm in St Matthew's Church, Hutton Buscel, Scarborough, followed by refreshments and short Evensong.



Mary and Florence beside the *Mrs Tobit Tells All* poster



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VIEW FROM A PEW



# Welcome

When I first became a Catholic, at the age of 22, I was, as all converts supposedly are, passionate in my faith.

Every day I got up early and walked the mile to the nearest church for Mass, then walked back again for a hurried breakfast before catching the bus into the city for work.

After 18 months, I moved away for a new job, but in all that time, no-one, neither priest nor parishioner, spoke to me or acknowledged my presence. I was not exactly hurt, but I did find it rather odd.

But that was a long time ago, and thank God, things have changed, Now in most of our churches there are smiling welcomers to greet us as we arrive for Mass. And recently, one Sunday, our parish priest stressed to us the importance of being welcoming and friendly, and not only to the stranger but to anyone who seemed lonely or perhaps unhappy.

Just after that, I realised on Sunday morning that I didn't know the person sitting next to me. So at the end of Mass I smiled at her and said, "Are you new to this parish?" The lady was not amused. Unsmiling, she said, "I have been coming to this church for 47 years." I can only guess that she normally attends the Saturday evening Mass.

I am not discouraged because I believe our priest is right. If our parish is a community of Christians, then surely it must be a community of open, friendly, concerned men and women, people who really do love one another.

Mary

# Help CTS Buy Bibles For Prisoners

**The Catholic Truth Society is asking for your help to buy urgently needed Bibles for prisoners in Britain's jails and young offender institutions.**

Since its Prison Appeal was launched, the CTS has raised £12,500 towards its target of £30,000 from members and supporters.

Now the society, which promotes the Church's mission of evangelisation by publishing high-quality Catholic resources at affordable prices, is extending the appeal to dioceses and parishes nationwide.

"As many as one in four prisoners in young offender institutions is held in conditions bordering on solitary confinement, according to the Howard league for Prison Reform," said CTS Fundraising and Liaison Officer, Moira Forrester.

"Against this background, prayer groups become very difficult to organise, and prisoners are often left to struggle on their own.

"Roman Catholic prison chaplains are begging for Catholic Bibles and other catechetical resources to support the prisoners in their journey of faith, which can be reawakened by their time inside and away from home.

"There's no greater gift we can offer to people who might face all kinds of challenges in their lives.

"Faith is a big issue behind bars and your support can be of real help to those who wish to become more confident in the truths of our Catholic faith.

"Prisoners have told us that the Bibles and other books we've been able to provide have helped them get their lives back on track.

"Your money can help us ensure that every Catholic prisoner who wants to is able to have the scriptures at hand, whatever else they're going through.

"We'd ask you to give as much as you can towards this appeal and help us to respond to every request we receive from those in prison and their chaplains across the country."

There are an estimated 15,000 Catholics in prison in England and Wales.

The CTS publishes resources for people in all situations and walks of life, supporting priests, teachers and catechists and enabling them to pass on the gift of faith to new generations.

The society also reaches out to schools, hospitals, seminaries, missions, the media and those enquiring about the faith.

To donate to the appeal, visit [www.ctsbooks.org/prisonappeal](http://www.ctsbooks.org/prisonappeal), where you will be redirected to the CTS Prison Appeal's Just Giving page.

## A Prayer With Father Postgate

**Parishioner PAT PEARSON reflects on her experiences when St Hilda's Church in Whitby hosted the relics of Blessed Nicholas Postgate...**

Living all my life in this area and having grown up with tales of Father Postgate, I decided to try to find some quiet time each day praying with Father Postgate in the presence of the relics.

One of the greatest blessings I received was when saying Morning Prayer. Just me and him together, or at least that's how it felt.

There was something so special about being quietly in the presence of this good, true, brave and holy priest that reminded me of all those who suffered for loving Christ.

This unselfish love for God and his people kept the faith alive so that we, despite the problems of the Church today, can be encouraged by also knowing the Church at its best.

It occurred to me that the relics are just reminders. Some may question their authenticity, but it's the memory of the person they evoke and the strength of faith they represent that's important.

The years seemed to fall away and Father Postgate was so close to me, as he has always been to those who live around here.



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## Final Straits For Living History Project

**The £2m Living Heritage Project to transform York's historic Bar Convent is now approaching its final straits, but a further £250,000 is still needed to complete the work.**

The new exhibition is taking shape, with displays telling the remarkable stories of Mary Ward and her followers in the process of being installed in the stripped rooms and spaces across two floors of the convent.

Visitors will be greeted by larger-than-life representations of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I, whose reigns were so critical for religious intolerance and repression.

The main hall has been given a new lease of life after being repainted in much lighter colours. The guest house has already reopened for business and offers an excellent welcome for visitors to the city.

The Bar Convent Living Heritage Centre will be officially opened by TV's *The Hotel Inspector*, Alex Polizzi, on Thursday October 22.

If you would like to donate you can give online by visiting <https://barconvent.datawareonline.co.uk/Donate-Online> or send cheques made payable to "Bar Convent Heritage Project" to the Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ.

## New Management Needed For Football Tournament

**The small group who organise the Catholic Cup football tournament for primary schools in the diocese are standing down after 19 years.**

Co-founder of the event and tournament co-ordinator Tony McAvoy explained: "The competition was initially only meant to last for four years, so we consider we have given great continuity to what the schools came to describe as the key event in the diocesan school calendar.

"However, we now feel we have done enough and think it would be beneficial to hand it on to others to take into the future."

Tony and the other organisers thanked sponsors, head teachers, teachers, site and catering staff at the various venues and also referees who have played such an integral part in the event.

A new team of organisers is now needed if the tournament is to continue for what would be its 20th year, in 2016.

## Exhibition For St Teresa's Anniversary

**St Peter's Church, Scarborough, will celebrate the fifth centenary of the birth of St Teresa of Ávila with an exhibition from October 4 to 14.**

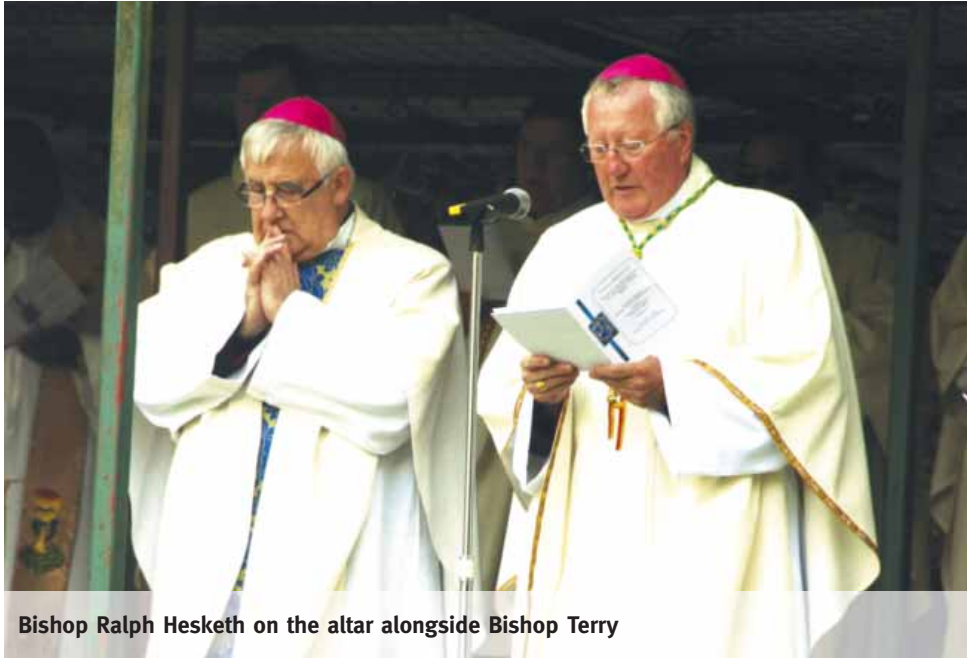
A relic of St Teresa loaned from Thicket Priory will be available for veneration.

There will also be two talks at St Peter's Parish Centre, The Life of St Teresa, on Monday October 5, and Carmelite Spirituality and Prayer, on October 9, both at 7pm. Please call 01723 360358 for further details.



# Bishop Preaches At Assumption Mass

Bishop Ralph Hesketh of Hallam preached at the annual Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Bishop Terry was the principal celebrant. Photos by David Smallwood



Bishop Ralph Hesketh on the altar alongside Bishop Terry



The statue of Our Lady decorated with flowers



Deacon Len Collings holds up the Holy Bible during the entrance procession

## Our Year Of Mercy Challenges

Continuing our series of articles, the Cathedral Justice and Peace Group reflect on our challenges and inspiration for the forthcoming Year of Mercy...

"Let us open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help!" – Pope Francis.

The "cry for help" in our changing world today is increasing, urgent and clearly visible all around us, on our TV screens and media, with growing numbers of people suffering, deprived of basic human rights and considered expendable.

The corporal and spiritual works challenge us in this Year of Mercy to open our hearts, to reach out and respond to this cry. So how can we respond personally and see the face of Christ in others?

Echoed also in Catholic Social Teaching, we are asked to...

- Feed and clothe the hungry, give shelter to the homeless, welcome the stranger and refugee, pray and appeal for the tortured and persecuted and rescue the victims of human trafficking.
- Work to eliminate the structural causes of poverty, for example in conflict, world trade, climate and unemployment, ensuring self-sufficiency and sustainability.
- Protect life, family, education, health and our common home.
- Work at our ecological conversion as we accept our shared responsibility to care for all of creation as one human family, in solidarity with our impoverished brothers and sisters, restoring what belongs to them.
- Pray – one of the most important works – and Pope Francis reminds us that, "A prayer which does not lead you to practical action for your brother – the poor, the sick, those in need of help, a

brother in difficulty – is a sterile and incomplete prayer."

So where do we find help with this? Our inspiration comes from...

- The life and teachings of Jesus, the face of God's mercy, who came into this world in poverty and showed us how God's heart has a special place for the poor.
- We call on the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of Mary.
- In our present time, the leadership of Pope Francis in his invitation to live The Joy of the Gospel and call to take care of all of creation in *Laudato Si'*.
- The guidance and support of our clergy and their support of our efforts, particularly from the pulpit.
- The depth of generosity and response to appeals in our parishes.
- Every day we witness the love and care shown to those in need, by many in our own community, affirming that, "The face of the church throughout the world expresses love and grows through witness" (Pope Benedict).
- So many individuals and groups, locally, have reached out to others, both now and in the past, setting us an example of true solidarity and accompaniment, exemplifying Pope Francis' call. They are a great source of encouragement to us.

We can feel overwhelmed as we see the plight and suffering of so many who do not have even basic human rights. So we help in the small ways that we can in our parishes to bring some comfort to those in need.

It is a drop in the ocean when the wider picture is considered, but plugging away regularly, together, avoids overload and will hopefully make a little difference.

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." – Mother Teresa



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NEWS



Author Margaret Turnham



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# Two Centuries of Faith

A major work based on the history and development of our diocese, Margaret Turnham's *Catholic Faith and Practice in England, 1779-1992*, has its official launch in the Cathedral Hall on Friday October 30 at 6.30pm. Although primarily aimed at the academic world, the book has been written to be accessible to the general Catholic reader. Here we take a look at the main topics it addresses...

Towards the close of the 18th Century, Roman Catholics in England were a small community found mainly, but not exclusively, within a number of noble and gentry families and their households, which included all the people who worked for them. Since the reign of Elizabeth I, they had been subject to a penal code that was designed initially to eradicate Roman Catholicism from England and Wales.

That intention was not achieved, and after 1688, the aim of the penal code was changed in order to prevent the growth of Catholicism. The majority of the gentry lived on their country estates, marrying within an extremely small social milieu. They watched their numbers gradually shrink due to the success of the Penal Laws in driving them to bankruptcy, the failure of their bloodlines and the takeover of their estates by Protestant relatives. Chapels in their houses were closed, which also deprived other Catholics in the area from attending Mass.

By 1992 when this study ends, Roman Catholics were playing a full part in public life, had a thriving network of schools and churches throughout the country and the numbers attending Mass regularly made them the largest practising Christian denomination in England and Wales.

Many factors over the intervening 200 years contributed to this revival in Catholic fortunes, beginning with the easing of the Penal Laws in 1778. Economic and social

changes within Victorian Britain brought in their wake vast numbers of immigrants, particularly Irish Catholics.

In the 20th Century, consequences of two world wars and the decision of Pope John XXIII to update attitudes in the worldwide Catholic Church removed much of the suspicion that still surrounded English Catholicism. Its adherents no longer feared persecution, although aware of a residual anti-Catholic feeling within society in general as distinct from an emerging hostility to religion in an increasingly secular society.

The book is a study of the changing nature of English Catholic devotion in the period 1779-1992, as seen through the lens of the diocese of Middlesbrough.

It places English Catholic devotion within the evangelical spectrum of religious experience, while at the same time reclaiming for Catholicism the concepts of Revivalism and Renewal, both usually seen as being synonymous with Protestantism, but in fact having origins firmly rooted in the Catholic Church.

Each of the five chapters focuses on a distinct period.

1. The Quiet Faith covers the years 1779-1851 and charts the gradual stabilisation and growth of the Catholic Mission as found in Yorkshire until the restoration of the Hierarchy in 1850, which gave England and Wales a system of dioceses and bishops for the first time since the Reformation.

2. Faith in the Victorian City assesses the priorities of the restored Hierarchy of bishops and how these challenges were met. It looks especially at the problems of urban poverty as seen in York and Hull and the establishment of the Catholic faith in a new Victorian town – Middlesbrough – that had

very few if any Catholic middle-class people and no interest shown in it by the Catholic gentry of the area.

3. Faith, Vision and Mission encompasses the episcopate of the first bishop of Middlesbrough, Richard Lacy (1879-1929). He could be described as being the last Victorian bishop and in establishing a new diocese used the inventive flair characteristic of that first generation of bishops. A noticeable change occurred in the Catholic ethos of the diocese with the arrival of Thomas Shine to the diocese in 1922, first as coadjutor to the ageing Richard Lacy and then as bishop from 1929 to 1955.

4. A Faith Secure? examines how Bishop Shine re-orientated the diocese to reflect his concerns as an Irishman and of its Irish population who formed the majority of the Catholic population in the diocese, especially on Teesside. It gave the correlation Irish and Catholic a real resonance and provides the opportunity to examine the particular concerns and practice of the large Irish community within the English Catholic Church.

5. Faith in the Age of Doubt concentrates on the devotional and liturgical changes instituted by the decrees of the Second Vatican Council, how they were implemented in the diocese, their effect on devotional practice and its overshadowing by the strong Irish culture that still remained. It was not until the episcopate of Augustine Harris (1978-1992), that a balance began to be restored between the Irishness of the Shine church, which his two immediate successors largely maintained, and a more English interpretation of the norms of the documents of the Second Vatican Council.

\*The launch is open to everyone and light refreshments will be served. The book will be on sale at a 35% discount (£42.75).

# SVP Holds National Conference In York

More than 200 delegates from all over England and Wales attended the Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) national conference at York University in September. Kathy Warrick, SVP Central Council President for the Diocese of Middlesbrough, welcomed members to the two-day meeting.

The theme was “Called to Serve” and the programme included talks on successful recruitment, young Vincentians and community support projects. There was a talk on the Vincentian family by world president Michael Thio and a question and answer session with the society trustees. A fresh recruitment drive was launched by Kieran Knights with the theme “Striving for growth together”. He has compiled an easy-to-use recruitment pack funded by a generous legacy from Bernard Preston, a dedicated trainer and recruiter from Harrogate.

One of the many highlights was an inspiring talk by former MP John Battle, who challenged some current benefits system practices and quoted cases of serious unfairness, including some leading to death by starvation.

Clifford Longley gave an interesting talk on the key role of civil society in Catholic Social teaching and Claz Gomez, National Vincentian Youth Coordinator, spoke passionately about the society's plans for youth development, with the emphasis on spiritual growth. National president Adrian Abel and world president Michael Thio highlighted increasing level of poverty in many areas both at home and abroad and urged members to respond practically and vocally to help the growing numbers of asylum seekers and refugees. Michael mentioned a recent meeting with Pope Francis, who was actively engaged with the poor in Argentina before becoming Pope and is a great SVP supporter. Group meetings were held on other aspects of SVP work, including community shops, help for asylum seekers, supporting those caring for dementia sufferers and forming parish youth groups.

The meeting ended with Mass celebrated by Bishop Terry, who was joined by Father Paul Roach CM, Spiritual Adviser to SVP England and Wales, and Father Ged Walsh O. Carm, Spiritual Adviser to Youth SVP. The music group from English Martyrs Parish in York provided a beautiful accompaniment to the Mass.

Mike Walmsley



VOCATIONS

# Being A Catechist



Not many people know this, but for a good number of years the Church has taught that “Diocesan pastoral programmes must give absolute priority to the formation of lay catechists.”

This teaching is to be found in the General Directory for Catechesis, a document that arose directly from the importance St Pope John Paul II gave to the way we seek to pass on the faith of the Church.

In response to this teaching, many people in our own diocese have attended Wellsprings, our foundation programme for those who feel they may have a vocation to be catechists.

Lately, Pope Francis has followed the example of St Pope John Paul II by stressing that to be a catechist is indeed a vocation. He says there is a real and precious difference between “doing the work of a catechist” and “being a catechist” – the difference, of course, is that to be a catechist involves the transformation of a person's life as he or she grows into an ever closer relationship with the Lord.

We will not be running the Wellsprings programme this year but we will still be giving absolute priority to the formation of our lay catechists by offering a series of events around the diocese.

If you are involved in catechesis in your own parish – or think that you would like to be – you would be very welcome to come to one of these morning meetings (10am to 1pm) to pray and reflect upon your vocation and to share good ideas and good practice with fellow catechists.

The dates and venues are...

**Saturday October 10:** Our Lady's, Hessele

**Saturday October 31:** St Edward's, Scarborough

**Saturday February 6:** Our Lady's, Acomb

**Saturday April 23:** St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough

Please let Sue Paterson at the Curial Office know if you would like to come. Sue can be contacted by email at [reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk) or on 01642 850505.



# Hull's Warm Welcome To All

## What is Open Doors?

The Open Doors project began in 2000, supporting people seeking sanctuary, refugees and migrant workers. It was started by five members of Princes Avenue Methodist Church and led by Reverend Sue Sowden, offering hospitality to newcomers arriving in Hull from Afghanistan and Kosovo by Home Office direction. Fifteen years later the project works with asylum seekers, refugees and migrant workers in distress from many different countries. The need is greater than ever.

## Where is it?

The project is based at Princes Avenue Methodist Church, Hull.

## Why is it needed?

We see so much need as we are dealing now with people from many parts of the world who have little or nothing of their own. We offer support and care through interaction with people of all faiths and no faith.

## What are its aims?

Our aim is to provide friendly and accessible support to people seeking asylum, refugees and migrant workers, in a friendly gathering place where newcomers can relax and feel welcome. We aim to develop reasoned and relevant programmes and activities provided by personnel who can facilitate the provision of support, learning and care.

## Who is it run by?

Day-to-day operation is organised by project co-ordinator Bashir Siraj, under the supervision of Stephen Rippon, appointed by the Methodist Church.

## How is it funded?

Since its inception, the Open Doors project has enjoyed the financial backing and support of York and Hull Methodist District and Hull (Centre and West) Circuit, as well as Princes Avenue Methodist Church. It also relies on many individual donors as well and ecumenical support. Despite the

generosity of donors and subscribers, our financial resources are becoming severely stretched, as we try to help the increasing number of refugees, asylum seekers and migrant workers from Eastern Europe. A new initiative is underway to address this – Open Doors 200 Group.

## What is Open Doors 200 Group?

Open Doors 200 Group is a way of making an opportunity for all denominations and the wider community to support Open Doors, as well as involving friends in monthly support through regular giving. We aim for 200 people to join the group, with a regular standing order amount of their choice and an opportunity to contribute under Gift Aid, which would give an extra £1.25 for every £5 donated. The work is non-political, humanitarian aid, irrespective of religion, creed, race and gender, and directly supports asylum seekers, refugees and migrant workers in distress.

## When is it open?

**Tuesdays:** Clothes Shop, 1pm to 3pm; Advocacy Project, noon to 2pm

**Wednesdays:** Voluntary Interpretation and Translation Service and Befriending and Counselling service, 2pm to 4pm

**Thursdays:** Drop-In session, 10am to 3pm, including breakfast, lunch and activities

**Saturdays:** Maths and English Class, 9am to 11am

## What activities are offered?

Learning and support activities include English classes, music and guitar lessons, advice in partnership with British Red Cross, allotment activities, internet facilities, basic IT course, free food parcels, sport, job search and support service. There is also a women-only English class once a week, part-funded by a grant from The Two Ridings Community Foundation (Red Nose Day Community Cash 2015). An opportunity to sing together as United Voices recently started on Thursday evenings. Last year 5,034 food parcels were



distributed, 799 to destitute people, 1,233 to East Europeans and 27 to homeless people.

## How can others help?

There are many different ways of supporting Open Doors, including collecting food for our parcels, volunteering to help on Thursdays, one-off donations or becoming a regular donor by joining the Open Doors 200 Group. You could also represent Open Doors in your local and church community as an advocate.

If you are interested in any way of supporting our work, please contact Bashir Siraj on 01482 345132 or 07913120198.

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# Out & About around the Diocese

**BISHOP TERENCE PATRICK DRAINEY ENGAGEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 2015**

1 Attends Northern Province meeting 10.30 am

2 Attends NOV Advisory Board in London 11.00 am

5-9 Attends Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome 5 days

12-16 Attends Diocesan Retreat 5 days

16 Attends Mass to commemorate 50th Anniversary of St Anthony & Our Lady of Mercy, Hull 7.00 pm

17 Celebrates Mass with Aylesford Friars for closing of St Teresa 500 event 3.00 pm

19 Celebrates Mass for St Wilfrid's School 150th Anniversary 10.00 am

21 Hosts annual Prison Chaplains' meeting at 16 Cambridge Road 11.00 am

22 Attends CSAN meeting, Romero House, London 10.00 am  
Gives a talk to Queen Mary University Catholic Society, London 7.00 pm

25 Celebrates Mass at Family Day for Syro-Malabar Indian Community at St Joseph's, York 12 noon

28 Attends meeting of Diocesan Trustees at Curial Office, Middlesbrough 10.30 am

29 Attends Northern MOOT meeting at Royal Hotel in York 10.00 am

30 Attends meeting of Trustees of the Lady Chapel at Curial Office, Middlesbrough 11.30 am

31 Attends Walsingham Pilgrimage All weekend

**2 Friday**  
Dates of events and articles for inclusion in the November issue of Voice must be received by today  
**7.00 pm** First Friday Life Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Frances, Tel: (01482) 574486 for further details. Please note the new venue

**3 Saturday**  
**2.00 pm** Pilgrimage for Life to the Lady Chapel, Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Meet at the first Station of the Cross at 2.00 pm to pray for Life and an end to our abortion culture. Concludes with Vigil Mass of Sunday at 4.00 pm. All welcome. Contact: Patricia Sammon, Tel: 07747 698553 or 0113 258 2745 or E-mail: [patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com](mailto:patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com) for further details  
**7.30 pm** 'Prom Praise York' at York Barbican, York. Tickets: £17.00, £19.00 and £22.50 (discounts available for under 17s and groups of 10 or more). All prices include a souvenir programme. Contact: York Barbican Box Office, Tel: 0844 854 2757 or [www.yorkbarbican.co.uk](http://www.yorkbarbican.co.uk) or [www.prompraiseyork.org.uk](http://www.prompraiseyork.org.uk) for further details

**4 Sunday**  
**11.30 am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH  
**12.00 pm** Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF  
**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction

in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

**4 - 14 Sunday - Wednesday**  
Celebrating the fifth centenary of the birth of St Teresa of Avila: Exhibition at St Peter's Church, Scarborough, with relic of St Teresa for veneration (with thanks to Thicket Priory). Contact Tel: (01723) 360358 for further details

**5 Monday**  
**7.00 pm** Talk on the life of St Teresa at St Peter's Parish Centre, Scarborough, as part of the celebrations of the fifth centenary of the birth of St Teresa of Avila. Contact Tel: (01723) 360358 for further details

**6 Tuesday**  
**7.00 pm** The Knights of St Columba, Council 29, meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough commencing with Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

**7 Wednesday**  
**12.30 pm - 4.00 pm** Rosary Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley  
**6.30 pm** Latin Mass at the Church of St Charles, Jarratt Street, Hull, HU1 3HB  
**6.30 pm** The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details

**8 Thursday**  
**10.30 am - 3.30 pm** 'Animals in the Bible and with the Saints' with Rt Rev Tom Butler at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

**9 Friday**  
**2.00 pm** Scarborough Medjugorje Prayer Group. Contact Joan Salt, Tel: (01723) 363321 for further details including venue  
**7.00 pm** Talk on Carmelite Spirituality and Prayer at St Peter's Parish Centre, Scarborough, as part of the celebrations of the fifth centenary of the birth of St Teresa of Avila. Contact Tel: (01723) 360358 for further details  
**7.00 pm - 8.30 pm** Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact: John, Tel: (01759) 380415 for further details. Please note the new venue  
**7.30 pm** Medjugorje Evening at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough - Rosary, Holy Mass, Talk, Witness. Contact: Marie Bedingfield, Tel: (01642) 530739 for further details  
**7.30 pm - 9.30 pm** Bible study at Our Lady's, Acomb, York. Contact: Lukasz Druzic, Tel: 07540 981429 for further details

**10 Saturday**  
**10.00 am - 1.00 pm** Catechists Renewal Day at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Hessle. An opportunity to pray and reflect on your vocation and to share good ideas and good practice with fellow catechists. Contact: Sue Paterson, Tel: (01642) 850505 or E-mail: [reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk) if you would like to attend

**11 Sunday**  
**11.30 am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH  
**12.00 pm** Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF  
**2.00 pm** Lourdes Tea Party at St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough. The event begins with recitation of the Rosary and hymns to Our Lady followed by tea in the hall. If you wish to attend or help in any way, please contact Chris Tillotson,

Contact Tel: (01642) 324043 or E-mail: [chris.tillotson@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:chris.tillotson@hotmail.co.uk) or Jean Campbell, Contact Tel: (01482) 875698 or E-mail: [pilgrim@pilgrim.karoo.co.uk](mailto:pilgrim@pilgrim.karoo.co.uk)  
**6.00 pm** Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact Tel: (01642) 818203 for further details  
**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

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

**13 Tuesday**  
**12.45 pm** Hull and District Catholic Women's Luncheon Club meet at the Kingston Theatre Hotel, Hull when Mr and Mrs C Richardson will speak about 'The Woman who didn't exist'  
**2.00 pm - 4.00 pm** ASCENT Group, York West meet at Our Lady's, Acomb, York in the Fr Kelly Room  
**7.30 pm** The Knights of St Columba, Council 95, meet at the Council Chambers, English Martyrs Hall, Dalton Terrace, York

**14 Wednesday**  
**10.30 am** The ASCENT Group at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hessle meet after the Morning Mass  
**10.30 am** The ASCENT Group at St Leonard and St Mary, Malton will meet  
**2.30 pm** Prayer Group (second Wednesday of month) at The John Paul Centre, 55 Grange Road, Middlesbrough. New members welcome

**15 Thursday**  
**2.00 pm - 4.00 pm** 'Julian Gatherings' with Rev Gwynne Wright at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details

**16 Friday**  
**7.00 pm** The Knights of St Columba, Hull Council 45, meet after 6.00 pm Mass at St Stephen's Pastoral Centre, Hull  
**7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start** Annual Lourdes Ball 2015 at the Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough Football Club. Tickets £35.00 to include three course dinner, disco, entertainment and raffle. Dress code: lounge suit/black tie. Contact: Sue Crossman, Tel: (01642) 473478 or Keith Tillotson, Tel: (01642) 324043 for tickets and further details  
**7.30 pm** Aquinas Reading Group in the upper room at St Wilfrid's, York. A guided reading of the Summa Theologiae. Contact: Steve Evans, Tel: 07800 697975 or E-mail: [steve\\_evans21@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:steve_evans21@tiscali.co.uk) Further details at <http://readingthesumma.blogspot.com/>

**17 Saturday**  
**10.00 am - 12.00 pm** An opportunity for Parish musicians to explore new music, especially for Advent, at Our Lady, Acomb, York. All welcome. Contact: Tim Harrison, Tel: (01642) 597750 for further details  
**10.30 am - 12.00 pm** An opportunity for Parish musicians to explore new music, especially for Advent, at Sacred Heart Church, Northallerton. All welcome. Contact: Tim Harrison, Tel: (01642) 597750 for further details  
**7.30 pm** Sacred Heart Parish Dance (Michael Coyne) at the Erimus Club, Cumberland Road, Middlesbrough. Tickets from Eddie White, Tel: (01642) 860227

**18 Sunday**  
**11.30 am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH  
**12.00 pm** Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF



**3.00 pm** Middlesbrough Catholic Fellowship Mass at St Peter's, South Bank, Middlesbrough  
**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

**19 Monday**  
**7.30 pm** The York Newman Circle Lecture 'Beyond sex and chocolate: poverty, injustice and the sense of sin' will be given by Prof Karen Kilby, Bede Chair of Catholic Theology, Durham University at The Bar Convent, Blossom Street, York. All are welcome. Cost: £1.00 members, £2.00 non-members, students free. Contact: Judith Smeaton, Tel: (01904) 704525 or E mail: judith.smeaton@btinternet.com for further details

**21 Wednesday**  
**7.00 pm** 'Global Security and the United Nations: 70 Years On' - Ebor Lecture in York Minster, York, to be delivered by Lyse Doucet OBE, BBC Chief International Correspondent. Visit [www.yorks.ac.uk/eborlectures](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/eborlectures) for details on how to book online or in writing, or contact the Ebor Lectures Co-ordinator, Tel: (01904) 876474 or E-mail: [eborlectures@yorks.ac.uk](mailto:eborlectures@yorks.ac.uk) for further details  
**7.30 pm for 7.45 pm** The Cleveland Newman Circle presents a Talk by Br Robert Moore OH entitled 'Ethics & Catholic Social Teaching today: compliance and controversy' in the Cathedral Hall, St Mary's Cathedral, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough. Coffee/tea from 7.30 pm. Contact Tel: (01642) 645732 or E-mail: [tpj.egerton@virgin.net](mailto:tpj.egerton@virgin.net) for further details. All are welcome

**24 Saturday**  
CAFOD Day of Reflection at Thicket Priory, Thorganby, York, led by Fr Tony Lester OCarm. To help with preparations, please advise of your attendance by e-mail to: [middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk](mailto:middlesbrough@cafod.org.uk) or Contact Tel: (01904) 671767  
**10.00 am - 4.00 pm** 'Prayer through the lens' - a beginner's guide to digital photography with David Beverley at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details. Please note, numbers limited to 12  
**2.00 pm** Lourdes Tea Party at Sacred Heart Church, Southcoates Lane, Hull. The event begins with recitation of the Rosary and hymns to Our Lady followed by tea in the hall. If you wish to attend or help in any way, please contact Chris Tillotson, Contact Tel: (01642) 324043 or E-mail: [chris.tillotson@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:chris.tillotson@hotmail.co.uk) or Jean Campbell, Contact Tel: (01482) 875698 or E-mail: [pilgrim@pilgrim.karoo.co.uk](mailto:pilgrim@pilgrim.karoo.co.uk)

**25 Sunday**  
November issue of Catholic Voice available  
**11.30 am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at

Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH  
**12.00 pm** Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF  
**4.30 pm** BLAZING GRANNIES presents 'Family Crises' at St Matthew's Church, Hutton Buscel, Scarborough, followed by refreshments and short Evensong  
**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

**28 Wednesday**  
**12.45 pm - 3.00 pm** ASCENT Group, York Central meets at St Wilfrid's, York in the Upper Room after the 12.10 pm Mass

**29 Thursday**  
**7.30 pm - 9.00 pm** The Pastoral Support Group for carers especially of people with mental ill health meets in Middlesbrough. Contact: Margaret Jones, Tel: (01642) 865668 for venue and other details

**30 Friday**  
**7.00 pm** Medjugorje Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Everyone welcome. Contact: Pat, Tel: (01482) 802483 for further details. Please note the new venue

**30 - 1 Friday - Sunday**  
'Finding God in Everything' - a retreat led by Fr Kevin Hayden. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

**31 Saturday**  
**10.00 am - 1.00 pm** Catechists Renewal Day at St Edward's, Scarborough. An opportunity to pray and reflect on your vocation and to share good ideas and good practice with fellow catechists. Contact: Sue Paterson, Tel: (01642) 850505 or E-mail: [reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:reception@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk) if you would like to attend

**31 - 1 Saturday - Sunday**  
Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Cost £76.00 per person. Contact: Kath Gallagher, Tel: (01642) 850505 ext 258 or E-mail: [kathg@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk](mailto:kathg@dioceseofmiddlesbrough.co.uk) for further details

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**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

**3 Tuesday**  
**10.30 am - 3.30 pm** 'From Here to Eternity' with David Rhodes at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, Blossom Street, York. Contact Tel: (01904) 464900 for further details  
**7.00 pm** The 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 Wednesday**  
**6.30 pm** Latin Mass at the Church of St Charles, Jarratt Street, Hull, HU1 3HB  
**6.30 pm** The Secular Franciscan Order meets every first Wednesday of the month at More House, Heslington, York. Contact: Mrs Lyn Bradbury OFS, Tel: (01904) 470041 for further details

**6 Friday**  
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**7.00 pm** First Friday Life Prayer Group meets at St Anthony's Parish Church, Beverley Road, Hull. Contact Frances, Tel: (01482) 574486 for further details. Please note the new venue

**6 - 8 Friday - Sunday**  
'Living Well, Dying Well' - a retreat led by Fr Kieran Monahan. Contact the Hospitality Office, Ampleforth Abbey, Tel: (01439) 766889 for further details

**7 Saturday**  
**12.00 pm** The Catholic Women's League Diocesan Branch Meeting will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Market Weighton commencing with Mass (please note the change of Mass time)  
**2.00 pm** Pilgrimage for Life to the Lady Chapel, Mount Grace, Osmotherley. Meet at the first Station of the Cross at 2.00 pm to pray for Life and an end to our abortion culture. Concludes with Vigil Mass of Sunday at 4.00 pm. All welcome. Contact: Patricia Sammon, Tel: 07747 698553 or 0113 258 2745 or E-mail: [patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com](mailto:patriciamarysammon@btinternet.com) for further details

**8 Sunday**  
**11.30 am** Latin Mass in the traditional form at Sacred Heart Church, Lobster Road, Redcar, TS10 1SH  
**12.00 pm** Sung Latin Mass in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF  
**6.00 pm** Mass in the Malayalam language at St Joseph's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough. Contact Tel: (01642) 818203 for further details  
**6.00 pm** Sung Latin Vespers and Benediction in the traditional form at St Wilfrid's Church, Duncombe Place, York, YO1 7EF

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NEWS

# New North Yorkshire Abbey Is Dedicated

**Bishop Terry was joined by Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop Arthur Roche at a Dedication Mass for the church at Stanbrook Abbey in Wass, North Yorkshire.**

The abbey is home to a community of Benedictine nuns who moved to Wass in 2009 from their previous home at Callow End, near Worcester. They have been using the chapter house as a chapel while waiting for the abbey church to be built.

The dedication included the placing of the relics of St Fulgentia in the altar. These relics were previously in the abbey church at Callow End, and were removed when the church was deconsecrated in 2009. After the depositing of the relics, the altar and the church walls were anointed with chrism oil.

Bishop Terry celebrated Mass and Cardinal Nichols gave the Homily. Assisting with the dedication were Archbishop Roche, Secretary of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine

Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Abbot Notker Wolf, Benedictine Abbot Primate, and Abbot Richard Yeo, Abbot President of the English Benedictine Congregation.

Benedictine and Cistercian abbots, abbesses, priors and prioresses also attended, along with monks from Ampleforth Abbey, who act as chaplains to the community.

The abbey church was designed by Fielden Clegg Bradley Studios and built by QSP Construction. There are choir stalls for 26 nuns and seating for up to 60 guests.

A statue from the monastery at Callow End of Our Lady of Consolation, the patroness of the community and to whom the new church is dedicated, stands in the new church.

There are also some Minton floor tiles, removed from the sanctuary at Callow End when the altar in that church was replaced in 1971, and a statue of St Benedict, which is now outside the church.



Stanbrook Abbey at Wass



Cardinal Vincent, Abbess Dame Andrea Savage, Bishop Terry and Archbishop Roche.  
Photo by Les Clark

## Swinging For El Salvador

**Pocklington's CAFOD group held a fundraising ceilidh to raise money for the charity's Connect2 project in El Salvador.**

Parishioners of SS Mary and Joseph galloped, swung their partners and stripped the willow, accompanied by the four-man Bash Street Band, who kindly waived their fee for such a good cause. The event was held at Pocklington Junior School Hall and made £180 for the Connect2 project.

## Quiz answers

**Connection question:** 1. Lynsey De Paul 2. Trevor Francis 3. Charles Dodgson 4. Queen 5. Coco Chanel. **Connection:** Catholic churches in Hull (St Vincent De Paul; St Francis of Assisi; St Charles; St Mary, Queen of Martyrs and Our Lady of Lourdes and St Peter Chanel).

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