The Newsletter of the parishes of



St. Alban at Pelaw



St. Patrick at Felling



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33rd Sunday of the Year 19th November, 2023

The following celebrations will take place during the coming week.

Saturday: (18 Nov) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: Susan Harland

Sunday: (19 Nov) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday: 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Joan Makepeace

Thursday: 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Dec members of the Legion of Mary

Saturday: (18 Nov) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (19 Nov) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Richie Charlton

Mass to view on line

Mass is live streamed from the **Holy Name**, **Jesmond**. Visit the website for Mass times this week.

When you are unable to celebrate Mass in Church, you may wish to make this act of spiritual communion:-

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Please keep in your prayers:

- all our parishioners who are sick, housebound or in hospital
- all those whose memories we cherish at this time especially David Clay, Susan Harland, Dominic Sloan and Norah Lagan
- Frank Smith and Desmond Costelloe who have died. May they rest in peace. A Funeral Mass for Desmond Costelloe will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church on Monday, 27th November at 10.00 and the Funeral Mass for Frank Smith will be celebrated in St. Alban's Church on Wednesday, 29th November at 10.00.

The Sacrament of Confirmation - Sunday, 19th November

Please come and support our young people from St. Alban's and St. Patrick's who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Stephen during Mass this Sunday, 19th November at 10.00 in St. Patrick's Church.

Memory Books

Our "Memory Books" for St. Patrick's, containing the names of our deceased parishioners since 1995 (the centenary of the church), were rededicated last Sunday and will remain on the sanctuary throughout November. Please feel free to read them and to pray for all our deceased loved ones.

OPENING SOON - ADVENT CAFE

(aka St. Patrick's Parish Centre)

Opening Wednesday, 29th November, 2023 at 18.00

URGENTLY REQUIRED!!!

Bakers, Baristas, Talkers, Listeners, Carers, Servers, Prayers,

All those interested please contact our Parish Master Chef at adventcafe@icloud.com

All positions are on a totally voluntary basis!

See overleaf for more details

The Advent Cafe

Our Advent Café opens on Wednesday, 29th November, 2023 at 18.00 offering a chance to explore the themes of Advent - Hope, Love, Joy and Peace while praying, chatting and drinking coffee and eating cake!!!

The aim is to discover ways in which we, as a Christian, Catholic family can actually make these Advent 'themes' a reality for someone, somewhere this Christmas. Everyone is welcome and admission is free in a warm environment.

Congratulations and welcome

We offer our prayerful good wishes to Myah, Brandon, Billy, Freddie, Amber and Anna who in recent weeks have received the Gift of Faith "through water and the Holy Spirit." We continue to keep their parents and godparents in prayer that they may remain faithful to the commitment they have made on behalf of their children.

Mass Intentions

Fr. Patterson is very grateful for the generous Mass Offerings you are handing in. As he is currently only able to celebrate four Masses each week, one of which must be for "the Parishioners Intentions," he is a little behind in celebrating some of your Mass requests. He tries to give priority to Anniversaries, but it is not always possible. So please be patient and understanding.

School News from Mrs Robinson

Next Friday we celebrate Youth Friday ahead of Youth Sunday on the feast of Christ the King. Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. He recently told young people that "Jesus' door is always open: Come and See!" We will be celebrating the day in school and ask for your continued prayers for the young people in our school and parish

Children's' Liturgy of the Word

We hope to offer an opportunity for a Children's Liturgy of the Word on The First Sunday of Advent, 3rd December, in St. Patrick's parish centre for children currently in Years 1, 2 and 3. More details next week.

Christmas Raffle

We are launching our Christmas Raffle this weekend. It is a chance to raise much needed funds for both St. Alban's and St. Patrick's. 1st Prize: £100.00, 2nd Prize 50.00, 3rd Prize 6 bottles of wine and various other prizes. The draw will be made on 3rd Sunday of Advent, 17th December after 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's parish centre. Tickets will be available after Mass in both of our churches and in St. Patrick's parish centre. £1.00 each.

Youth Sunday

Next Sunday, 26the November we celebrate World Youth Sunday when the Church across the globe reflects on the gift of young people and offers our prayers and support as we accompany them on their faith journey. There will be an opportunity for those of you who wish to contribute towards the work of the Youth Ministry Team in our Diocese. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked "YMT" and place it in one of the boxes at the doors of our churches. Those of you with boxes of envelopes should have an envelope in your box.

A Prayer for the Israeli and Palestinian People

Heavenly Father, we come to you as the source of all comfort asking that you send your Spirit to surround and uphold all those who are grieving, all those who are suffering, all those living in fear, and all those held in captivity. May the arms of comfort and compassion, overwhelm the arms of war. Amen.

Your offerings are our sole source of income

Although we do not take a collection at Mass by passing round a basket, we do hope you will feel able to make an offering towards the upkeep and running costs of our churches in one of the boxes you will find at the entrances to our churches. Alternatively you may consider making your offering by Standing Order the details of which are below.

For St. Alban's: Account name: DHN Pelaw St Alban: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 92010984

For St. Patrick's: Account name: DHN Felling St Patrick: Sort code: 40-34-18 Account No: 52010453