

The Newsletter of the parishes of



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The Feast of Christ the King 26th November, 2023

The following celebrations will take place during the coming week.

Saturday: (25 Nov) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

Sunday: (26 Nov) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: Richie Charlton

Monday: 10.00 Funeral Mass in St. Patrick's Church for Desmond Costelloe

Wednesday: 10.00 Funeral Mass in St. Alban's Church for Frank Smith

Friday: 10.00 Funeral Service in St. Patrick's Church for Barbara Groves

Saturday: (2 Dec) 18.00 Mass in St. Alban's Church: Margaret and Brian Pankhurst

Sunday: (3 Dec) 10.00 Mass in St. Patrick's Church: The Parishioners Intentions

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 Maurice Brown, David Clay, Dominic Sloan and Norah Lagan
- and Desmond Costelloe, Frank Smith and Barbara Groves who have died. May they rest in peace

The Sacrament of Confirmation - Congratulations

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our young people from St. Alban's and St. Patrick's who were Confirmed by Bishop Stephen during Mass last Sunday. Please keep them in your prayers in the weeks and months ahead

Youth Sunday

This weekend 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.

OPENING THIS WEEK - ADVENT CAFE

Opening Wednesday, 29th November, 2023 at 18.00 in St. Patrick's parish centre

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!

The aim of our Café is to discover ways in which we, as a Christian, Catholic family can make the Advent 'themes' of Love, Joy, Hope and Peace a reality for someone, somewhere this Christmas. Everyone is welcome and admission is free in a warm and cosy environment.

Thank you

Kathleen Costelloe and her family wish to thank everyone for their support in so many different ways, not least in their promise of prayers and Masses, following the death of Desmond. May he rest in peace.

St. Alban's Church Cleaning

Volunteers would be welcome to help clean St. Alban's Church in preparation for Christmas on Friday, 1st December at 10.00

Walk with Me

The Advent Prayer Booklet "Walk with Me" which gives scripture readings and a reflection for each day of Advent is available at the back of St. Alban's church and on the front table in St. Patrick's, priced £1.00. First come first served.

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

Dear Parishioners, you are invited to join us as we journey through Advent towards Christmas. Our first Advent Service of Prayer will be on Monday 4th December at 15.00 in St Alban's Church. You are all most welcome.

Miss Laura Colligan has been appointed the new Deputy Headteacher of our school and will join our school community in the New Year.

Children's' Liturgy of the Word

We hope to offer an opportunity for a Children's Liturgy of the Word to be held in St. Patrick's parish centre next Sunday, 3rd December. It will initially be for children in Years 1, 2 and 3 which we hope to be able to extend in due course. Following the advice of our Diocesan Safeguarding Office, parents will be unable to accompany their children to the liturgy. However they will be well cared for by our catechists who all have enhanced DBS clearance. Tricia, Emily, Angela and Terry will be in the parish centre this Sunday should you wish to know more.

Christmas Raffle

Have you bought your ticket for the Christmas Raffle. 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 are available after Mass in both of our churches and in St. Patrick's parish centre. £1.00 each.

Parish Newsletter

In an attempt to reduce the cost of printing "hard copies" of the Parish Newsletter and to be more environmentally friendly, please consider allowing us to send you your copy by email. Simply email the parish office at felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk and you will be added to the mailing list. For those who do not have this facility, a small number of printed copies will be available at the doors of both of our churches.

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

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.

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