

**ST WILLIAM & FRANCIS de SALES,
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Parish Priest; Fr Greg Price. 01325 257681

(resides at St Teresa's Presbytery)

Part of the Cluster of Parishes in Darlington.

Hospital Chaplain. Rev Dc Jurgen Muller 743029

Please ask Ward Sister to contact a Priest if needed in an emergency in any Hospital you or your family are admitted to.

29th November 2015

1st Sunday of

ADVENT

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Please remember in your prayers, priests and religious of our Diocese, Fr Michael Corbett who is very poorly, and parishioners and family who are struggling with health problems at this time. These include, Kath White, Joan Haig, Anne McLoughlin, Terence Coleman, we remember those who look after them, and pray that those recovering from illness continue to improve.

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES;

Louise Gilroy, Stella Leith, Elizabeth Lythe, Jane Buckton, Frances and Charles Clarke, John Riddington, Jean Jones, Queenie Marsh, Patrick Mallett, Margaret Burnside, Agnes Holland, Thomas Lye, Margaret Lupton, Paul Adamson, Mena Lupton, Bridgit Jardine, Jimmy Coleman, Winnie McFaddyn, Harry McKay, Alan Cooper, Norman Liddle.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES;

Peter McGee, Maurice Dixon, Kathleen Williams (Blakeborough) Michael Plumb, Nancy Young, Brian Sadler, Phoebe Hunter, Frank Anderson, Teresa Cox, Dennis Hopkins, Dot Mulholland, Norman Liddle, Tommy Errington, Josie Coleman.
If any names are missing please see Anne Robinson.

100 CLUB

£15 H. Lye (67) £10 B. Marshall (25) £5 M. Hopkins (84)

Income last week; Offertory Collections £238.71. Candles; £37.83 Papers; £6.30 Youth Mission Team; 39.82. Clergy Training Fund £100. 100 Club; £24

If anyone would like to join the gift aid scheme or consider paying your offertory donation by Direct Debit Please see Dave Lye for details.

Thank you to those who have offered to become counting teams. You will be called upon at some time.

The Organisers of last weeks Christmas Fayre wish to say a very Big THANK YOU to everyone who supported them in any way over the last few weeks, to those who helped on the day, to those who donated, to those who came. There was a lot of work before the event and a lot of clearing away after the event - some of this work nobody sees.

All your help was very much appreciated.
Other results are on the table.

RESULTS

Big Raffle	£200
Refreshments	£70.60
Bric a Brac	£58.33
Gift Bags	£47
Bits & Bobs	£12.50
Bran Tub	£19.50
Bottle stall	£118
Household Raffle	£34
Edds Card Game	£15
Name Dolls	£12
Toys	£20.90

Tombola	£54.30
Play your Cards	£31
Bingo	£35.50
Books and Bags	£45.50
Soft Toys	£28.80
Knitted Stall	£88.50
Cake stall	£130.73
Craft stall	£284.20
Donations	£35
Total	£1341.36

**Sunday
Monday**

**29th
30th**

**9am
9.30**

Eliz. & Tom Robinson
Holy Souls

**Wednesday
Sunday
Monday**

**2De
6th
7th**

**4-5
9am
9.30**

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Kath White
The Parish

Today

Reader; M. Daniel
Offertory; Liturgy Children
Euch. Mins; P. Magurn, A. Albeson
Coffee; Irene, Maureen
Counters; as arranged

December 6th

A. Gell
Liturgy Children
D. Cooper, M. Blakeborough
Martha/ Maria
As arranged

Today we celebrate the 1st Sunday of Advent
Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

*Penitential Service takes place on
15th December 7pm in Holy Family
Church. A good preparation for Christmas.*



The Cycle of Prayer

During Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for these intentions; Openness to the Word of God; Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 1st
7pm here in Church**

**Christmas Concert with The Richardson Singers.
Please come along - £5 includes a drink and mince pie.**

**Proceeds will go to St Teresa's Hospice.
Tickets available or pay on the door.**

DATES TO KEEP FREE;

Our Colourful Carol Service will be on Sunday
20th December at 4pm.

Our Annual Boxing Day Quiz will take place on Saturday
26th December at 7.30pm with a shared table.

Joy of the Gospel - We can all become people of God's Word by taking it to heart, applying it in our daily lives and equipping ourselves to serve God by what He says through it. If you are interested in joining together in a Bible Reading Programme, done at home, please contact Anne Albeson 01325 268468 Initial meeting is on December 3rd 7pm for 7.30pm at her house.

*Glory be to the Father - in whom we live and move and have our being.
Glory be to the Son whose name we bear and who calls each of us to be his disciples;
to build his Kingdom and to go out into the world and bear its fruit.
Glory be to the Holy Spirit - pouring out grace and guidance,
forming us and renewing us.*

Inspire us all in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle to live the Gospel, to be open to change and to move forward together in hope.

There are some prayer cards available on the table.

YEAR OF MERCY begins on December 8th - 20 November 2016
Bishop Seamus will launch the year with various events at St Mary's Cathedral. Please see poster for details.

OPENING THE DOOR OF MERCY

An Advent Morning of Reflection for the Jubilee Year of Mercy.
Led by Katherine Turner Head of Department of Spirituality.
Saturday 12th December 10am—1pm in St Thomas Aquinas Parish Centre.
(refreshments from 9.30am) For more information or to book please telephone 0191 243 3302 or email spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk