

Parish of St Anthony and Our Lady of Mercy

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Sunday 24th November	CHRIST THE KING 10.00 am: Mass
Monday 25th November	St Catherine of Alexandria No Mass
Tuesday 26th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Wednesday 27th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time 7.00 pm: Mass for Deceased of the Parish
Thursday 28th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time No Mass
Friday 29th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time 8.30 am: Adoration 9.30 am: Mass
Saturday 30th November	St Andrew, Apostle 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Sunday 1st December	1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10.00 am: Mass

Advent Retreat (Age 15 to Young Adults) at Castlerigg Manor, 13th-15th December

The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great, and popular, way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch. Contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk. Sign up at castleriggmanor.com >> what's coming up.

Lecture at University of York, Wednesday 11th December

Bishop Erik Varden O.C.S.O. from Norway will be the Guest Lecturer at the University of York this Advent. Bishop Varden was a Fellow of St John's College, Cambridge before entering Mount St Bernard Abbey (Cistercians) where he was elected Abbot. In 2019 Pope Francis appointed him as the Bishop of Trondheim. Bishop Varden's topic is **"Be Holy!" The challenge and scandal of sanctity in times of anthropological crisis**

The lecture is free but should be booked through Eventbrite. There will be transport from the Chaplaincy. Let Fr William know asap if you would like to go. For booking:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/be-holy-1-peter-116-tickets-1077246726959?aff=oddtcreator>

New Lectionaries

We shall be starting to use the new Lectionaries at the beginning of Advent. All donations towards covering the cost of these are very welcome (and will make a good Christmas present for the Church!).

Organ music

The endpiece organ postlude for this Sunday will be *Jubilate Deo*, by C Armstrong Gibbs

Items for the newsletter should be given to Chris by Wednesday for inclusion

Love is acceptance

St Andrew

Hull Ladies Choir

Christmas Concert with guests the Riverside Brass Band on **Friday 6th December 2024 at 7 pm** at Trinity Methodist Church corner of Newland Avenue/Cottingham Road. Tickets £6 from Jean Campbell Tel: 875698.

Organ recital

David Craggs will give an organ recital in aid of Church funds on **Saturday 21st December at 12noon**. Come and hear what our wonderful organ can do!

Readers rota for Christmas

If you will be attending one of the Christmas services, please let Mary Broadhead know if you would be willing to read.

SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society is keen to welcome new members. If you'd like to know more, please speak to Jean Daintith, Denise Shakesby or Evelyn Hutton for further information.

SVP Christmas Present Appeal

As in past years, the SVP are asking for the donation of a Christmas gift for a disadvantaged child attending our Parish school. The children are aged 3-11 years and are boys and girls. Please do not spend more than £5. Could you please wrap your donated present and indicate the age and sex of the child it would be suitable for. All presents need to be brought to Church by **Sunday 8th December**. Thank you for your kindness.

Hospital Chaplain

If you, or someone you know, is in hospital and would like a visit from the Chaplain, please contact Deacon Bob directly on 470456. If you go into Hospital, please specify you would like the Catholic Chaplain to visit.

Weekly Masses continue this week as per the schedule on the opening page. If you would like to offer Holy Mass for any of your intentions, please contact Fr. Joseph.

Father Peter Keeling's Requiem Mass will be held at St Francis of Assisi Church, Middlesbrough on **Tuesday 26th November at 12noon**. Please continue to pray for him and the repose of his soul.

Please pray for: Charlotte Lewis, Monique Barron, Peter O'Neill, Ellen Nelson, Nora & Dan Cleary, Mary Wood, Moira Smith, Horace Plant, and all whose anniversaries occur during the coming week, plus Bernard Swift, Paul Hanson, Ed Robson, Matthew Kirby and all in the Parish who are sick.

Rotas for 24th November

Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Children's Liturgy
F. Sayjoo	Keith	Sarah
S. Akash	Mike	Brenda
I. Diya		Jean De.

Rotas for 1st December

Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Children's Liturgy
F. Margaret F.	Chris	Amy
S. Dorin	Kath	Jean C.
I. John		Sandy

Please let Chris know of any changes so newsletter rotas can be updated accordingly – contact details overleaf.

Notices

Preparing for Mass

A reminder of the two bells before Mass: the first to provide a short period of quiet for prayer ahead of Mass, and the second to mark the start of our celebration of Mass.

November – Mass for deceased of the Parish

The annual Mass for the deceased of the Parish will be held on **Wednesday 27th November at 7:00pm**

Church Christmas Card

All those wishing to sign the Church Christmas Card need to add their signatures by today, **Sunday 24th November**.

Advent Penitential Service

There will be an Advent Penitential Service at St. Anthony's on **Saturday 14th December from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm**. The service will begin with the exposition of the Eucharist followed by an opportunity for individual confession with Fr. Damien, Fr. Noel and Fr. Joseph.

Confirmation 2025

There have been some enquiries about preparation for Confirmation. If we have enough young people interested in being confirmed next year, preparation will begin after Easter. We follow a course of 6 sessions which are held here at St Anthony's after school on a Tuesday. Please sign the list at the back of church to indicate interest.

Christmas Music practice – all welcome

If you would like to take part in the music for the Christmas services, please speak to Gabrielle after Mass. An initial practice will take place this coming **Tuesday, 26th November, at 7:15pm**.

Vote on assisted suicide in Parliament – 29 November

- A. It is important that as many people as possible, especially those with experience with illness or who are carers or healthcare professionals, contact their MPs and express their concerns about this Bill. Please find a set of resources to help and encourage people to engage on this issue at <https://bioethics.org.uk/educational-resources/resources-on-eas/>
- B. Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, *Better Off Dead?* where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada. **Watch for free online** (you do not need a TV licence): <https://righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead>.
- C. *Assisted Dying – the 6 dangers of the proposed legislation*. There is a document on the church website giving more insight into why this is so dangerous and why the disabled, and other vulnerable people groups, are so frightened of it becoming law. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bdStgv4PcLs> is an interview with a Christian Bio-ethicist which is very helpful.
- D. **Postcards for the assisted suicide vote**. There are postcards for us to send our MPs from a disability campaign group called "Not Dead Yet UK". These postcards ask MPs to vote against the legalization of assisted suicide in the parliamentary vote on 29th November.

Hull Lourdes Sick Fund

Mass and Christmas Get-together on **Saturday 7th December 2024**. **Mass at 2pm** at Sacred Heart Church followed by our get-together in the Parish Hall. Please contact Micky Coyle Tel: 470086 for catering purposes.

Christmas Raffle

Jean Daintith is organising an early Christmas raffle this month. Donations of prizes are welcome and tickets can be bought at the table at the back of Church. All proceeds will go to the SVP.