

**THE GATESHEAD CLUSTER OF CHURCHES
ST ANNE, ST AUGUSTINE,
AND ST OSWALD.**

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MISSION APPEAL

Due to industrial action on the Railways, Fr Stephen based in Surrey, is unable to be with us this weekend for the Appeal.
On his behalf, Fr Paul will deliver a short message from Fr Stephen, and we will take up a second collection as scheduled for the work of the missionaries of St Patrick's Society.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 27th August 2023

21st Sunday of the Year MISSION APPEAL

Vigil St Anne 5.30 pm For the Parishioners
St Augustine 9.15 am Thomas Hayton
St Oswald 11.15 am Wilfred Cuthbertson

Tuesday St Augustine 10.00 am Fr Patrick O'Connell (NBF)
Wednesday St Anne 10.00 am Wilfred Cuthbertson
Thursday St Oswald **10.00 am Funeral Mass for Mary Gibson**

22nd Sunday of the Year

Vigil St Anne's 5.30 pm Paul Neumann
St Augustine 9.15 am Joe Huscroft
St Oswald 11.15 am For the Parishioners



The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is always available upon request, by making an appointment, or 30 minutes before the start of Sunday and weekday Masses.

DIOCESAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INVITATION

On Saturday 30th September we have a diocesan webinar to introduce the Diocesan Environmental Group members and the work we have been undertaking, as well as outlining the challenges for the future.

The Diocesan Environment Group invites you to attend online event to mark the Season of Creation which will take place via Zoom at 10.00 – 12.00pm on Saturday 30 September 2023. You will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers about the Season of Creation.

We will be reflecting on the Season of Creation, progress made over the last few months, with updates from parishes and schools working towards the Live Simply Award also sharing their good practice, looking ahead, plus a Q&A session with members of the DEG.

Bishop Stephen has confirmed he is able to attend to give the opening address and participate in the event, including the Q&A session.

Places can be booked by clicking this link –

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/seasons-of-creation-webinar-tickets-682122455627?aff=oddtcreator>

Thank you for your time and the changes that many of you are already making in response to the man-made climate changes that are so badly affecting so many throughout the world.

Fr Christ Hughes

Chair of the Diocesan Environmental Group

Fr Adrian Tuckwell

Episcopal Vicar for Caritas

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries, (AFCM) Newcastle is organising a Youth Retreat with specific focus on 17-24 year old students who are embarking on the journey to Universities and Higher Studies. The 3-day residential retreat 8-10 Sept, 2023 held at the Emmaus Youth Village, Consett DH8 9BA will be facilitated by AFCM ministers from Birmingham.

The retreat starts at 10am on Friday and wraps up at 4pm on Sunday. Please register your interest at <https://afcmuk.org/register/> or get in touch with Santhosh Joseph 07545-861400 or Deacon Alison Rebello 07931-136243 for more details.

St Augustine's Catholic Church has been paid **£21.57** in easyfundraising's £1.4 million DonationDay pay-out!

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Sunday Offertory Collections

"My weekly offering to God."

St Augustine: £341-08

St Anne: £230-50

St Oswald £240-20

(Inclusive of monthly standing orders)

St Oswald 100 Club Winners

1st. No.88 Helen McNall £15

2nd No.82. Dorothy Kelly £5

2nd No.20 Tracy £5

Your charitable prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of **Mary Gibson, David Bayes, Winifred Jackson, and Bernadette Noble**, who died recently. **May they rest in peace. Amen.**

Pandora's Box....

The myth of Pandora has its origin in the writings of the Greek poet Hesiod. Before he left Pandora on earth, the Greek god Zeus handed her a beautiful box and said, "This is my own special gift to you. Don't ever open it."

However, Pandora's curiosity got the best of her, and she opened the chest, from which flew troubles and woes — sorrow, disease, vice, violence, greed, madness, old age, death — to plague mankind forever. **Q.** What Pandora events might be unleashed for the world and the Church in the next couple of years? **Q.** What new dangers might arise for us and cause even greater confusion than now?

"The world humans have known, enjoyed, and celebrated is changing rapidly beyond repair. Biodiversity is being lost at a rate not seen since the last mass extinction".

Rev. Dr Jerry Pillay, World Council of Churches General Secretary