

Our Lady and St Aidan & St Bernadette's Parish Communities

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**Count
your
blessings
this Lent**

Counting our blessings this week we are asked to Stand Together for Justice.

We can make a difference by making small changes in our lives.

How is your Lenten journey helping you do this?

Are you rising to the challenge?

We welcome to our celebrations this weekend a "local lad" who will be well known to most of you! Colin Finlay will be speaking at both Masses about the work of Survive Miva and the support that those in missionary situations receive from this charity. We take so much for granted in terms of accessibility to transport but the story isn't the same everywhere. Survive Miva provides the answer to many of these problem. Please assist them generously in this work.

**Day of Reflection
Saturday 10th March
10.00am—2.00pm
Led by Fr Michael**

Gift yourself this Lent and spend time in a relaxed setting reflecting on our relationship with God and each other in the light of the Beatitudes, which you will find in the Gospel of Matthew Chapters 5—7
Tea and Coffee provided please bring a packed lunch

Everyone is welcome—but please sign up at the back of church

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT—RUNS TO 11TH MARCH

A number of parishioners have been carrying out research at the local supermarkets to work out which has the best range of FAIRTRADE products. Their findings suggest that the supermarkets can be ranked as follows:

1. Sainsbury
2. M&S
3. Aldi
4. Lidl
5. Tesco
6. Morrisons

YOUR FAIRTRADE CHALLENGE THIS WEEK!

Consider buying one fair-trade item this week and bring it to church for the Foodbank! It can be something as simple as a supermarkets own brand tea/coffee/chocolate. Fairtrade means better prices, decent working conditions and a fair deal for farmers and workers. Find out more at www.fairtrade.org.uk

CAFOD SOUP LUNCH.

Every Friday during Lent at 12 Noon. Come along and enjoy lunch in the company of others and at the same time, provide support for CAFOD, a charity working across the world on our behalf.



DON'T FORGET TO BRING IN YOUR CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY ENVELOPES



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4TH MARCH 2018



	St Aidan's	St Bernadette's	Lenten Opportunities Everyone is welcome to attend all events
w/c 5TH MAR			
Mon 10.00am	Funeral Mass for Monica Boyd		Visit www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk and listen to the daily reflection
Tue 10.00am		Alan wyne	Visit www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk and listen to the daily reflection
Wed 10.00am	Funeral Mass for Maureen McLaughlin		Lenten Talk 7pm St Cuthbert's North Shields
Thu 10.00am		Andrew Minihan	Visit www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk and listen to the daily reflection
Fri 9.30am	Funeral Mass for Geraldine Mary Larkin	Stations of the Cross 6.00pm	Soup Lunch St Aidan's 12 noon
Saturday			Day of Reflection St Aidans 10-2.00pm Please sign up
Sunday	10.00am John Murphy	11.30 am Tony Geraghty	Visit www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk and listen to the daily reflection

Planned Giving and GIFT AID

It is hard to believe how quickly the year is going. It will soon be the beginning of a new financial year which means that the new planned giving envelopes will be available later this month.

Thanks to those who generously support our parishes through the planned giving scheme.

If you are a tax payer please consider signing up to the GIFT AID scheme which increases the value of your donation at no extra cost to yourself.

New Planned Giving Envelope sets for use from Easter Sunday 1st April will be available from next weekend.



Hurry and get your Ceilidi tickets they are selling fast!. Thursday 15th March at High Howdon Social Club. How long is it since you and your friends had a really good night out together? This is the event for you and for them!!We can promise you a really good night in the company of people who really know how to enjoy themselves. Tickets costing £5 are available from Jim McAndrew or Mary Baitey



St Bernadette's Piety Stall has a selection of St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and Easter Cards available for sale.

North Tyneside General Hospital (Rake Lane)
Saturday Mass in the hospital Chaplaincy (10.30am) will resume as from 17th March. New Chaplaincy volunteers are welcome. Please contact Fr Stephen Watson or Fr Lee Barrett on 2934268. Patients requiring a chaplaincy visit should ask the ward staff to contact the RC Chaplain or relatives can ring the Chaplaincy office.