

The Parish Church of S. Helen, West Auckland

Our mission is to love, serve and worship Our Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday 5th November 2023 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am SOLEMN MASS

10.00am Sunday Club

11.00am Coffee Hour

11.30am Holy Baptism

Welcome to any visitors who have joined us this morning. You are most welcome, please relax and simply join in the service where you can. To everyone here today please remember for some people who come along on Sunday it is the only chance of some quiet time before Mass, for others it is the only time they see people for a chat. One of the great positive things about S. Helen's is that we are good at giving time for prayer and preparation for Mass before it starts by keeping silence and that we meet for coffee and a chat afterwards. I think you would all agree that it is not good if our chatter interrupts people's prayer time. Before Mass we listen to God; during Mass we speak with God; after Mass we speak with God's people.

Remembrance Sunday 12th November 2023 - 10.00am- Solemn Requiem Mass – When we commemorate those who gave their lives in the service of others

3.00pm – Service of Remembrance at the War Memorial West Auckland Green

Sunday 3rd December 6.00pm – Advent Devotion – A beautiful service for Choir and Congregation presented by the Auckland Deanery Society Parishes, please support our Choir and Organist

Sunday 10th December 1.30 – Christmas Fair – in the Parish Centre.

Stalls can be set up from 12.00 noon on the Saturday – please note the centre is booked out until this time for a private booking. Hot sandwiches will be available on the Sunday at 12.00 noon.

A list of proposed stalls is on the notice board and we are in need of people to help both organise and man the stalls. Raffle tickets are now available, please do try to sell to friends and family before the event.

Items for all the stalls are now required and can be left at the back of church or handed to stall holders.

This event is our major fund raiser and we do need your support

Friday 24th November is the Curry Night in the Ark at 7.00pm for those who bought places at the Auction

Sunday 26th November – Sunday Lunch in the Parish Centre- Roast Beef Dinner followed by Ginger Sponge, £10.00 please see Pat for tickets

Wine Tasting Evening in the vicarage for those who bought places at the Auction the date has been amended to Friday 19th January 2024

Next Quiz Night is Friday 17th November in the Ark 7.00

Messy Church Saturday 18th November in the Ark 11.30

Jolly Tots Every Tuesday in the Centre from 11.30am – A free lunch is provided.

Busy Bees Thursday 11.30am in the Centre. A free lunch is provided.

The Lunch Club and Cyber Cafe is open on Wednesday for light lunches.

The Computer course – Monday 6th November in the Ark

Angels – we would like to once again flood the Parish with angels so can you please start knitting or crocheting again patterns are available in church or from Emma

Children's Society - Could you please empty your boxes and hand the money to Maureen or Jean, many thanks

Collections during Mass-please use the plate by the door or the tap and go machine to give by card. Thank you for your support.

Safeguarding: The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable

adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officer Mrs Dianne Chew.

Items for the Pew Sheet to Fr McTeer by Tuesday evening by email fr.r.mcteer@btinternet.com