

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER— From next weekend Fr David intends to move to a single newsletter for the three churches in Wallsend. If you have any items you wish to be considered for inclusion in the newsletter then please e mail: : parissteam@wallsendcatholic.church



Gardening Group

Why not come along on Saturday 9th October at 10am and help the group prepare St Aidan's garden for the autumn. I can guarantee you will be warmly welcomed – and there is usually a cup of tea and some home baking thrown in as well. What more could you ask – fresh air, good company and exercise!

St Aidan's Singing Group

The singing group will continue to meet each Tuesday evening at 7pm at St Aidan's. It was a delight to see the group come together again over the last couple of weeks. If you would like to be part of the group then please just come along – you will be met with a very warm welcome. Their contribution to Fr John's last Mass was much appreciated. Visors used to enable singing to take place are carefully sanitised in readiness for the next service



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again it's time for our annual Shoebox Appeal. Please consider filling a shoebox as a Christmas gift for a needy child. Alternatively you can help by donating money towards the cost of transportation. Leaflets providing all of the relevant information can be obtained from the back of St Bernadette's church. For further information please contact Anne Cruddace or Olive Preston.

THE SORCERERS APPRENTICE: Only 3 tickets left! Tickets are a bargain at only £10 each. If you have booked seats could we please ask you to pay as soon as possible? Please place your money in an envelope addressed to Tracey Maw then we'll make sure that the payment date with the theatre is met.

NOVEMBER MASS FOR THE DECEASED: Fr David would like to have details of any friends or family who have died in the last 12 months. Please place details including name and date of death in an envelope and drop off at church.

Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition In 2021: We have an opportunity like no other: At the UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15) in October, world leaders can set meaningful targets to protect creation. In November, at the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26), countries will announce their plans to meet the goals of the Paris agreement. Ahead of those meetings, it is our responsibility as Catholics to lift up the voices of the most vulnerable and advocate on their behalf. We must act now.

Here's a link for the laudato si website which gives people 5 reasons to sign the petition <https://laudatosimovement.org/2021/07/20/healthy-people-healthy-planet-five-reasons-en-news/> followed by the link to the petition which can be signed online: <https://thecatholicpetition.org>



Proud Catholics: Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East? We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at St Andrew's RC Church, Worswick St. (Zoom connection available) Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, 19th October at 7.30pm (BST)**. We will share how our devotion and connection to Mary helps us in our life of faith. The meeting will be followed by social time. There will be the possibility to connect through Zoom for people who are not able or don't feel safe to come to church. For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website <http://www.proud Catholics.co.uk>

The Foodbank have been delighted with your continued generosity and support over the last year. Please bring along your foodbank items in the usual way. Any cash donations can be handed in at church. As we move in to the autumn and winter I am sure that people will be even more in need of your help. I know I can rely on your generosity.

