

Remembering our Deceased Friends

Since our last newsletter in March 2021, sadly we have lost several members of our pilgrimage family. Some of our dear friends, have travelled with us to Lourdes for many years and will be greatly missed.

Let us remember them in our prayers.

Agnes Conway

Michael Hetherington

Canon Michael McCoy

Anne McLeod

Ethel Rogan

*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

May they rest in peace.

Our Lady of Lourdes, **pray for them.**

Saint Bernadette, **pray for them.**

We have made every effort to include all names of deceased members of Hospitalité and assisted pilgrims since our last newsletter in March 2021. If anyone that you know has died, and we have missed their name from the list above, please accept our sincere apologies. Please send us an email to inform us.

Dates for your Diary

A Marathon of Prayer - Marian Month of May

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle welcomes Pope Francis' invitation to encourage the Universal Church to pray the Rosary during May. The Rosary invites us to meditation about the life of Jesus and the Holy Virgin Mary. Whether we pray alone or with others, we can offer our Rosary for many intentions, always asking for the intercession of Our Lady.

During the month of May, members of our Pilgrimage Family will lead us in prayer as we say the Rosary together. This will be uploaded to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.

Annual General Meeting

We are hoping to hold our AGM on

Thursday 24th June 2021

Please save the date in your diary.

The exact details such as the venue, time and arrangements (in line with current regulations and guidelines) are yet to be confirmed.

We will ensure the details are sent via email and added to social media when we know more. Thank you for your understanding.

We hope that as many of you can join us virtually for our *Hospitalité at Home* prayer events. Even if you are unable to join us virtually, please know that we will all be together in prayer during this special month.

We will be thinking and praying for you all.

Hexham and Newcastle Hospitalité May 2021



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YouTube Channel

The Hexham and Newcastle Lourdes Hospitalité are now on YouTube!

We have our own YouTube channel.

In the future, forthcoming virtual prayer services and events will be uploaded to Facebook **and to YouTube**.

Please search **and subscribe** to our channel:

HN-Lourdes Hospitalite

<https://youtu.be/rthjM24r7IU>

Pilgrimage Announcements

* Our website has a new look!

Please visit our Pilgrimage website where you will be able to view forthcoming events, the latest news articles and find links to our social media and YouTube pages.

There is also a new 'Contact Us' form.

Look out for further changes and updates to the content over the coming months.

www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk

* We are continually looking for new and innovative ways to support *Hospitalité at Home*. If you can help in any way, however small, it would be much appreciated. Feel free to email us with your thoughts and ideas!

* Pope Francis encourages and invites the Universal Church to pray the Rosary during May. To read more about *A Marathon of Prayer - Marian Month of May*, please click [here](#) or visit the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle website. *"From the whole Church the prayer to God went up incessantly"* (Acts 12:5)

Getting in touch...

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Annual Subscription

You are receiving a copy of this newsletter as you have expressed an interest to join the Lourdes Hospitalité.

Membership runs from April 2021 to March 2022. The membership fees, per person, are as follows:

Full rate - £10.00

Reduced rate £5.00

(student, senior citizen)

There are several ways to pay:

1. A cheque made payable to

DHN Lourdes Hospitalite

2. Cash

Please post cheques or cash to our postal address at St. Hilda's Resource Centre.

3. A Bank Transfer

Account Name: *DHN Lourdes Hospitalite*

Sort Code: 40-34-18

Account Number: 62411857

Bank: HSBC

Please use your full name as a reference.

4. An annual Standing Order

If you already pay via a standing order, you need to do nothing further.

In all cases, please complete the Membership Application / Renewal Form attached to this email. Don't forget that you can Gift Aid your membership. Please see the declaration form attached.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

Our Pilgrimage to Lourdes

After much discussion, consultation and prayer, I regretfully have made the decision to cancel the official 2021 Hexham and Newcastle Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. I am deeply grateful to those who have supported and advised me during this process of discernment.

We will have virtual and, if restrictions allow, Pilgrimage gatherings leading up to and during our Pilgrimage week. If it becomes legally possible and safe, individual pilgrims may wish to make a private visit to Lourdes. Government websites and Tangney Tours are available for advice about travel arrangements.

We continue through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes to pray for the healing of our world at this time of pandemic.

Rev. Fr. Stephen Watson. Pilgrimage Director