

- **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** – As part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Stokesley Methodist Church would like to invite you all to come together for this special event on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January at Stokesley Methodist Church. There will be a ‘fun’ bit of a Beetle Drive followed with some homemade cakes and scones before finishing with a faith-based worship. Please contact Lesley on [brackenjack@btinternet.com](mailto:brackenjack@btinternet.com) if you wish to attend.
- **Middlesbrough Fellowship** – is a group which supports people with disability. They provide weekly social activities, monthly masses with afternoon tea, yearly holidays and visits to the theatre, a pantomime each year. They will be coming for their monthly Mass to St Joseph’s on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 3pm, followed by afternoon tea in the church hall. If you can provide items for the afternoon tea, please contact Julie Dowson on 07967316671 or email [juliadowson@aol.com](mailto:juliadowson@aol.com)
- **White Flower Appeal** – SPUC are asking for your support in a **White Flower Appeal** next weekend 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at all three Churches. This will be a retiring collection.
- **World Leprosy Day Appeal** – Lepra are asking for your support for world Leprosy Day this weekend 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January at all three Churches. This will be a retiring collection.
- **Day of Reflection for Catechists on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January, from 10.30am to 3.00pm at Our Lady's Catholic Church, York** – The day will include teaching, discussion, reflection, and encouragement, exploring the importance of catechesis and the role of the catechist. It’s also an opportunity to reflect on your own journey of faith and share experiences with others. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be provided. To book a place, contact Nicola on [adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk)
- **SVP Recruitment** – The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), Middlesbrough are looking to recruit new members. If you would like to learn more about the work of the SVP or how to become a member, then please join them for a zoom information session on the following dates: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 11am-12 noon, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 7pm-8pm, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 4pm-5pm. To receive a link, please email Teresa O'Hagan [teresa@svp.org.uk](mailto:teresa@svp.org.uk) with the date and time you prefer.
- **Tour of the Relics of St Gerard Majella 2026** – The tour of the Relics of St Gerard Majella will be at Sacred Heart, Middlesbrough on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Mass will be at 6.30pm. The church will be open an hour before for personal prayer before the Relics. St Gerard Majella is particularly associated with couples looking to have children and expectant mothers and he is popularly invoked as the ‘Mothers Saint. All are welcome.
- **Catholic Voice** – The January edition of the Catholic Voice is available. Please don’t forget to pick one up.

**God Bless Monsignor Gerard**