# Lay Dominicans North-East: Previous Year’s Programmes

**Programme for 2024**

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| **Likely Date** | **Proposed Subject 1** | **Proposed Subject 2** |
| 16 March (1st Professions) | The 4 Pillars | Saint Cuthbert |
| 20 April | St Catherine of Siena – her person | St Catherine of Siena – her works and influence |
| 18 May | Mary as Bearer of the Word | Opportunities for Lay Preaching in the NE |
| 15 Jun | Aquinas the Augustinian | Aquinas: Introducing the Virtues |
| 20 July | Dominicans and the Reformation (incl Blesseds Adrian Fortescue and Robert Nutter – both feasts being in July) | Dominican Heritage in the NE |
| 17 Aug | Justice and Peace in an unclear and nuclear world | The Saints of Lima (esp Rose whose feast is in Aug) |
| 21 Sep | Dominicans and the Cross | Science and Faith |
| 19 Oct | Reading and Praying the Psalms (incl Divine Office) | Approaches to Dominican Liturgy |
| 16 Nov | Reading the Bible: Study, Worship and Prayer | Aquinas: Approaching his Biblical Commentaries |
| 21 Dec | Dominican Art and the Nativity | The Ghosts of Dominicans Past |

**Programme for 2023**

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| February 2023 | Life and Times of St Dominic | Mottoes of the Order |
| March 2023 | The Dominican Family | Contemplating Dominicans |
| April 2023 | Origins of Lay Dominicans | St Catherine of Siena |
| May 2023 | The BVM and Dominican Life | The Rosary |
| June 2023 | Dominic’s Nine Ways of Prayer | Liturgy of the Hours |
| July 2023 | Study in the Dominican Life | St Thomas Aquinas |
| August 2023 | Studying the Scriptures | Lectio Divina |
| September 2023 | Justice and Peace | Bartolome de las Casas |
| October 2023 | Being laity in the world | Recent Dominican Thinkers |
| November 2023 | Praying for the Dead | St Martin de Porres |
| December 2023 | Governing Dominican Life | The Rule and the Directory |

**Programme for 2022**

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| 16 January | Zoom | The Life of Thomas Aquinas |
| 20 February | Zoom | Synodality & the Synod |
| 19 March | Face to Face / Zoom | St Dominic & the Cross, with Stations of the Cross |
| 24 April | Zoom | Feedback from the Dominican Seminar |
| 15 May | Zoom | Local North Eastern Saints |
| 25 June (TBC) | Face to Face | **Open Day:** Eucharistic Theology, Poetry & Hymnody of Thomas Aquinas (Supporting the Year of the Eucharist in the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle) |
| 17 July | Zoom | Discussion on the development of our group |
| 21 August |  | TBC – something relating to the Assumption? |
| 18 Sept |  | The Life and Legacy of fra Angelico (40th Anniversary of his beatification) |
| 30 October |  | The Rosary |
| 20 November |  | Canon Law |
| 18 December |  | Praying with Art: the Annunciation |

**Programme for 2021**

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| 17 January 2021 | General discussion & planning |
| 21 February | Introducing our new Religious Assistant (Chaplain), fr. Samuel Burke OP |
| 21 March | Dominican Way of the Cross |
| 18 April | The Concept of Mercy in Contemporary Society |
| 16 May | Pope Francis and ‘Let Us Dream’ |
| 20 June | The Eucharist in times of COVID and Plague – Dominican responses |
| 18 July | The Arca of St. Dominic in Bologna |
| 15 August | The Assumption |
| 19 September | Discussion following the Provincial Dominican Assembly |
| 16 October (Saturday) | ‘Come and See’ at St. Cuthbert’s Durham (including talks, rosary and Mass including professions) |
| 21 November | St. Martin de Porres and his relevance for the 21st century |
| 19 December | The Christmas Story |