

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER— Year B 2nd & 3rd May 2015

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR ANDREW

I'm very grateful for your many kind messages, cards and gifts. The recovery is going well. Please continue to keep me in your prayers.

CAFOD NEPAL EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

CAFOD has pledged an immediate £50,000 and launched an emergency appeal after Nepal was hit by last Saturday's devastating earthquake. The UK Disasters Emergency Committee, of which CAFOD is a member, has also launched an appeal to raise funds for those affected.

With reports suggesting that thousands of people have been killed or left homeless, and more than 8 million affected, CAFOD's partners have been working to deliver aid to people who have fled their homes.

Please give what you can to the retiring collection for the CAFOD Nepal Earthquake Appeal at all Masses this weekend.

Prayer for those affected by the Nepal earthquake

Merciful and loving God,
we pray for our sisters and brothers in Nepal, for those who have died,
and for those who mourn.

We ask that through your grace,
you may bless and comfort your people.
For those who are afraid;
bring peace,
for those who are toiling to save;
bring strength,
and for those who are lost;
bring shelter under the shadow of your wings.

Open our hearts Lord,
help us to be with your people through our actions and prayers, as we hold onto hope in you.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

The following arrangements have been made to cover Monsignor Andrew's absence:

Care of the Sick & Emergency Cover - The Parish Eucharistic Ministers will continue to take Holy Communion to our sick and housebound parishioners, and contact local clergy if anyone requires the Sacrament of the Sick. If a priest is needed urgently, please contact Fr Peter Stott at St Joseph's North Shields on 0191 2575801, or Fr Martin Stempczyk at St Mary's Cullercoats on 0191 2513770.

Masses - Sunday Masses in our three churches will be celebrated either by priests from St Dominic's in Newcastle, or by the priests of the Cluster and Deanery. I know that you will make all our visiting clergy welcome. Weekday Masses are as follows:

Immaculate Heart West Monkseaton: 10.00am on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, celebrated as usual by Fr Cunningham.

St Edward's Whitley Bay: 9.30am on Thursdays from 21st May celebrated by Fr McCumiskey. Word and Communion on Monday, Tuesday (7.00pm), Wednesday & Friday. There will not be 9.30am Mass on Saturday.

Our Lady's and St Edmund's Backworth: no Wednesday Mass until further notice.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH J&P LENTEN PROJECT FOR NETWORK

The magnificent total amount raised throughout our Parish is over £1,700! Well done to everyone involved and grateful thanks for all your support.

NORTH TYNESIDE CATHOLIC WEBSITE

We now have a new cluster website at <http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk> . Information for our parish will be regularly updated, including an electronic version of the weekly bulletin, along with other parish information. Congratulations to everyone who has helped prepare our new cluster website

MONDAY CLUB

There will be no meeting on 4th May as it's a Bank Holiday, we'll return on 11th May at St Edward's with a Newspaper Review and everyone is very welcome.

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE

Our three year journey of renewal continues with our first Parish open meeting on Thursday 14th May at 7.30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, West Monkseaton. A DVD will be shown and information given which will provide the focus for reflection, discussion, questions and some answers on the future challenges and opportunities faced by our Parish. We all need to be part of this very important project and your support is essential in determining the outcome. To aid our comfort and enjoyment light refreshments and a glass of wine or juice will be provided. Further information about Forward Together in Hope is available on the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk

ST. EDMUND'S 100 CLUB

Winners for March and April are as follows:

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
March:	No 17 Judy Hunter	27 K.Fearon	21 K.Routledge	85 M /L Cosgrove
April:	No 58 B.Tunmore	19 A.Syverson	54 H.Valentine	30 J.Donnelly

There is a list up at the back of Our Lady and St Edmund's Church of the participants and their numbers. There are still a few places left. The year commences in September and so to start now will require only £4. Marie can be contacted on 0191 2534518.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH ROTAS

New rotas are available in the pigeon holes at the back of church. Due to a computer glitch it has not been possible to send out rotas by e-mail this time so can the recipients who normally receive them this way please collect from the pigeon hole. Many thanks.

THE BAY FOOD BANK

The Bay Food Bank provides emergency food provision to individuals or families experiencing a financial crisis. This crisis happens when a family have no money because of low income, a bereavement, benefit delay, redundancy, an unexpected bill or illness. People must be referred by churches, doctors, social services or other agencies and the bank is staffed by volunteers mainly from local churches. We have a box in each church where donations of tinned/dried goods can be placed and they are then collected by workers from the Food Bank. If we all could contribute one item per week this would provide a considerable amount of food and be of great help to those trying to assist people who find themselves in very difficult circumstances. Thank you.

THE WALKING GROUP

On Thursday, 7th May the 7 mile walk will be from Corbridge uphill to Ayton Castle and then back along quiet lanes to Corbridge. Meet at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 9.30am. Further information from Margaret Graham 2529569 or Pat Kerr 2807764.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY JUSTICE AND PEACE PROJECT 2015 - ISAAC'S HOUSE UGANDA

Following the talk last weekend a cake stall on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May will start our fundraising year. We would love to have cakes from home-bakers on either or both of these dates to sell after mass. Just bring them along or contact Ann Garland on 2965358 for further details.

MEETING THE RISEN LORD

Continuing each Monday until 18th May there will be a series of reflective sessions taking place in the Parish Rooms at St Edward's Church, 7.30pm – 9.00pm. These sessions will focus on meeting the risen Lord through the Scripture readings of each Sunday in Eastertide. They are particularly aimed at those making enquiries about the Catholic Faith, those who have recently been received into the Church, and completed their initiation. The sessions are also open to those who wish to deepen and renew their faith. In short, all are welcome! To help us anticipate numbers, please email or phone the Parish Office, but this isn't essential. Just come along if you feel it might be for you.

CONFIRMATIONS 2015

Candidates wishing to be confirmed this year are invited to collect a registration form from the back of the church or from the Parish Office. If you wish to receive the form by email, please contact the Parish Office on parishofficeolss@btconnect.com.

OTHER NOTICES

DEATHS

Fr Lawrence Jones, will be received into St Robert's, Morpeth at 7.00pm on Monday 4th May followed by a Requiem Mass. The funeral Mass will be at the Cathedral in Newcastle at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 5th May.

ENCOUNTER: 8TH - 10TH MAY 2015

Cor et Lumen Christi Community, St Cuthbert's The Old Convent, Wigton, CA7 9HU. What would happen if we really gave ourselves to God's presence with deep expectation?

How often do we make the space to ENCOUNTER Him? This weekend will include input to help us grow in expectation and hunger for the living God and opportunities to really soak in the divine presence by giving our time to Him in a variety of ways. DONATION ONLY event after £10 registration fee, includes meals! To register: stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org 016973 45623 www.coretlumenchristi.org.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE - SATURDAY 9TH MAY 2015

Bishop Seamus will celebrate Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 9th May at 11.00am to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage. It is hoped that each parish will be represented by two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary. This promises to be a wonderful diocesan celebration and will provide a positive affirmation of marriage in the North-East. If you would like to attend, please contact Deacon Peter Lavery, Diocesan Co-ordinator for Marriage & Family Life, on 0191 4102530 or 07743 807312, or by email: laveryp@hotmail.com. Alternatively, let the Parish Office know and your details will be forwarded.

PIE AND PEA SUPPER FUNDRAISING NIGHT

Fr Peter Stott is celebrating his Silver Jubilee of Ordination in June. There will be a Pie and Pea Supper, Bingo and Raffle, starting at 7pm on Saturday 30th May in the Parish Hall at St Cuthberts Church, North Shields to raise funds for his Silver Jubilee Presentation Fund. Tickets cost £3.50. Bring your own drink. If you would like tickets to come along and join in the fun, contact Nora Pearson, Chair of Social Committee (0191 258 5726) or Ian Pearson, Chair of Parish Council ian_p83@yahoo.com.

PROCLAIM 15

On Saturday 11th July 35 people from the diocese led by our Bishop will join 850 people from around the country, for a one day gathering whose aim is to introduce people to the need for evangelising or missionary parishes in England and Wales. The event is in Birmingham and a coach will pick up at Newcastle and Hartlepool or Darlington. On their return they will be encouraged to put ideas into practice in our own diocese and create many missionary parishes and disciples - all in keeping with *Forward Together in Hope* and the Pope's vision in *Joy of the Gospel*. Anyone interested, please contact Sr Michael marymichael.lee7@googlemail.com or 0191 5813249 There are still a few seats available.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

An invitation is extended to all young people in our parishes in Year 9 and above to prepare for and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in July with Bishop Seamus. Forms for all who are interested are now available. Please contact Parish Office for a form or to have one emailed. All meetings at St Cuthbert's Church.

13/05/15	First Meeting with Candidates and Parents	17/06/15	Fifth Meeting with Candidates
20/05/15	Second Meeting with Candidates	01/07/15	Seventh Meeting / Rehearsal
03/06/15	Third Meeting with Candidates	05/07/15	The Rite of Election – at own Parish Mass
10/06/15	Fourth Meeting with Candidates	July	Confirmation Mass with Bishop Seamus

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 2nd May ST ATHANASIUS	NO SERVICE/CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Brian Dowsen (CWL)	NO SERVICE
Sunday 3rd May 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	11.00am Segundina Baccay (St Edward's Prayer Group)	5.00pm People of the Parish	9.30am Geraldine Rodgers (KR)
Monday 4th May THE ENGLISH MARTYRS	9.30am Word and Communion	10.00am Word and Communion	NO SERVICE
Tuesday 5th May	7.00pm Word and Communion	10.00am Tom Freel	NO SERVICE
Wednesday 6th May	9.30am Word and Communion 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Albina Grainge	NO SERVICE
Thursday 7th May ST JOHN OF BEVERLEY	9.30am Word and Communion 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Michael Ryan (Mrs D)	NO SERVICE
Friday 8th May	9.30am Word and Communion	10.00am Mary Bushell (M McA)	NO SERVICE
Saturday 9th May	12.30pm First Holy Communion Mass	10.00am First Holy Communion Mass 6.00pm Special Intention (MAFC)	NO SERVICE
Sunday 10th May 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	11.00am Segundina Baccay (JP)	5.00pm People of the Parish	9.30am Terence Mason (AM)

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill and unable to attend Mass, particularly Ann Lafferty, Fr Hugh McCann, Mary Dalby, Sarah Larkin, Maureen Bell, Norma Smith, John Jameson, Steve Heywood, Bob Howe, Charlie McCuigan and Veronica Clarke. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Fr Lawrence Jones and Noel Woodfine of New Hartley.

BAPTISM	OUR LADY & ST EDMUND
Sunday 3rd May, 12.30pm	Lorson Taylor Evans and Penny Rose Evans

Hospital Chaplaincies

North Tyneside General Hospital, Rake Lane: Fr David Nixon MSC 03448 118111 Ext 4268 or 0191 2934268.

RVI, Freeman & Walkergate: Fr Michael Corbett at St Andrew's, Worswick St, 0191 2321892

Newcastle General Hospital: Sister Teresa, 0191 2336161 ext 28465

Priests' telephone numbers

Mgr Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Fr Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Fr Peter Stott 0191 2575801

Parish e-mail addresses for bulletins:

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For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - telephone 0191 2527066 or email to parishofficeolss@btconnect.com

Items for the bulletin should be received by 12 noon on Thursdays.