

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY, Year B 30th & 31st May 2015

THIS WEEKS MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR ANDREW



Trinity Sunday

The following reflection is based on resources provided by the Diocesan Department for Spirituality.

When a person is baptized, they are signed on the forehead with the Sign of the Cross, and the water is poured over them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit as a sign of their initiation into life as a Christian.

When we enter and leave church, we make the Sign of the Cross with holy water. Mass begins with the Sign of the Cross. We greet the Gospel with the Sign of the Cross on the head, lips and heart. For Catholics, much of our prayer begins and ends with the Sign of the Cross to remind us that we share in the life of the Holy Trinity. Sometimes, however, the Sign of the Cross can be mechanical and unthinking, rather than a reminder that we are in the presence of God who is three-in-one.

Think of the other times you make the Sign of the Cross in Mass and elsewhere.

When you make the Sign of the Cross, remember the significance of what you are doing.

How does the Sign of the Cross remind you that you have been called by Jesus through Baptism to be a disciple, and to follow him and obey his commands?

Give time today to reflect on that simple but powerful prayer: the Sign of the Cross.

Think about the words and the gestures, and the difference between doing them well and just going through motions.

MESSAGE FROM MGR ANDREW

I'm very grateful for your continuing prayers, messages and gifts during my recovery, which continues to go well. Because I'm now more mobile, I've started to celebrate Mass each day at St Edward's, and this will continue until further notice.

PARISH NOTICES

DEATHS

Thomas Weir's Requiem Mass is at St Edward's Church at 10.30am on Friday 5th June, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations to Lucy Birkett and Sean Thirkle who are to be married on 6th June at 3.00pm in St Edward's, Church, Whitley Bay.

SECOND COLLECTION

The Lay Training Fund (LTF) is a new fund to enable and support Catholic laity to grow in maturity and to make an informed contribution both to the world and to the church. A second collection will be held this weekend.

CLUSTER CONFIRMATIONS

Bishop Cunningham will celebrate the Cluster Confirmation Mass at 7.00pm on Friday, 10th July, at St Cuthbert's, North Shields.

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP: SPONSORED WALK FOR ISAAC HOUSE, UGANDA

You are invited to sponsor the IHM Walking Group whose walk on 19th June will be to raise funds for Isaac House, the home for orphaned boys in Uganda. Everyone will be welcome to join the group for some or all of this local walk of around 10 miles, estimated walking time of 5 hours. It's on Friday 19th June, starting from St Edward's Church at 9.30am, and taking in St Mary's Island, Holywell Dene, Backworth and ending at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for a well-earned lunch. Please sign up to sponsor the group as a whole after Mass on the weekends of 30th/31st May; 6th/7th June or 13th/14th June. If you'd like to take part in the walk, or if you have any queries, please contact Ann Garland (0191 2965358).

MAY DEVOTIONS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY

This Sunday 31st May at 3.00pm at St Edward's Church.

PARISH BULLETIN

Our Cluster website www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk is now live and this includes a copy of our weekly bulletin. We would like to cut down on the amount of paper copies we produce each week and so if you are happy to read the bulletin online or would prefer to have an electronic copy emailed to you direct, please let Janet Murphy our Parish Secretary know.

TWITTER

The Religious Education Department at St. Thomas More RC Academy has launched a twitter page. This will feature news, events and updates for parishioners, parents, and our wonderful students. The page is updated at least 2/3 times a day giving instant access to the RE community. The department can be followed @STM_RE. Please make a big effort to follow us.

REQUESTS FOR REFERENCES

I frequently receive requests to provide references for those applying for teaching and other posts, and I'm happy to oblige, if I can. However, I cannot provide a reference if the applicant has not asked my permission, and preferably has discussed their application with me. As the Catholic Education Service application process says: "It is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure that all named referees, including Parish Priests, where applicable, have consented to providing a reference." Mgr Andrew.

PARISH WALKING GROUP

The 'Sacred and The Profane', Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk through Holystone Forest, near Rothbury, via the peaceful Lady's Well with its statue of St Paulinus and on to 'The Fairy Glen home of the little people! The route is on mainly good paths, you won't get blisters but you might get muddy! Meet at Immaculate Heart Church on Friday 5th June at 9-30 am. Further information tel. Jim on 2535135.

MONDAY CLUB AT ST EDWARD'S

On 1st June we will have TV Reviews, everyone welcome to come and share comment on programmes you've found entertaining ----- or not!

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The recent special collections in our three churches raised £285.24 for the Sick and Retired Priests Fund and £367.08 for World Communications Day. Thank you for your generosity to these two causes.

GARDEN SALE

There will be a garden sale (plants, fruit and vegetables) this Sunday at St Edward's after Mass in aid of 'The Street Children in Kenya'. Mary Storey's daughter is raising money for KIMBO to provide a hostel for girls and your support would be welcomed. Mary Storey.

OTHER NOTICES

DIOCESAN FESTIVAL

Bookings are coming in for the third Diocesan Festival at Emmaus Youth Village over the weekend of 20th -21st June. Speakers will include Fr Jim Clarke from Los Angeles and Fr Jim O'Keefe (from Newcastle!). We will also be joined by RISE Theatre and Steve Murray – as well as a packed programme for children and young people. Book now – especially if you require accommodation! Booking form available at back of church or can be downloaded from the Diocesan website: www.rcdhn.org.uk.

A CONCERT FOR BURMA

Saturday 6th June @ St Charles Parish Centre, Church Road, Gosforth. Adults £7.00 Children £3.00. Bring your own drinks/snacks. All proceeds will go to support health clinics on the Thai/Burma border. Contact; annestokle1@gmail.com

NORTH EAST CHURCHES ACTING TOGETHER (NECAT)

This year's AGM will take place at 2pm on Thursday 4th June at The Sanctuary Artspace in Gateshead. NECAT became the intermediary body for Churches Together groups in September 2014 and at the AGM will be looking at what has happened over the last few months and what is planned for the future. It would be great to see you at the AGM, all are welcome.

ST CATHERINE'S NURSING HOME IN NEWCASTLE

St Cuthbert's Care currently has a limited number of vacancies at St Catherine's Nursing Home. Our welcoming, purpose-built home offers quality care for older people with residential, nursing or dementia needs. Situated in tranquil grounds with its own private gardens, our home has benefited from recent refurbishment, including renovation of our beautiful chapel. As a Catholic home, Holy Mass is celebrated regularly. If you would like to know more about St Catherine's Nursing Home or arrange a visit, please ring our Family Liaison Officer, June Spoons on 07870 861079 or email June at june.spoons@stcuthbertscare.org.uk and she will be delighted to help.

ST AIDAN'S WALLSEND

St Aidan's Community are marking the 150th anniversary of their parish this year. They are looking for photographs of parish life and schools from anyone who has had links with the church and schools in Willington Quay. if you have anything at all don't think we wouldn't be interested—we will! Please contact Fr John at St Aidan's if you can help – telephone 0191 2623820.

Parish Office opening hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am—12.00noon.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 30th May	9.30am Word and Communion NO CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish (especially First Holy Communicants - Pastoral Care Team)	NO SERVICE
Sunday 31st May THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	11.00am Robert Conlan (JC) 3.00pm May Devotions in honour of Our Lady	5.00pm Bernard O'Grady	9.30am Mr Korzeniowski
Monday 1st June ST JUSTIN	9.30am Anne Lafferty (AM)	10.00am Word and Communion	NO SERVICE
Tuesday 2nd June SS MARCELLINUS & PETER	7.00pm Private Intention	10.00am Margaret Ahern (DK)	NO SERVICE
Wednesday 3rd June ST CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS	9.30am Michael O'Sullivan 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Tom Freel	NO SERVICE
Thursday 4th June ST BONIFACE	9.30am Noel Woodfine (AM) 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Anne Lafferty (MJM)	NO SERVICE
Friday 5th June	10.30am Funeral Mass Thomas Weir	10.00am June Carroll	NO SERVICE
Saturday 6th June	10.00am First Holy Communion Sending Forth Celebration (No 9.30am Mass)	6.00pm Jean Stewart (JS)	NO SERVICE
Sunday 7th June THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	11.00am Joe & Carol Bowman	5.00pm Mary Maloney	9.30am People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill and unable to attend Mass, particularly, Mary Dalby, Maureen Bell, Norma Smith, John Jameson, Steve Heywood, Bob Howe, Charlie McCuigan, Veronica Clarke and Joan Waugh. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Thomas Weir, Mrs Pat Perry and Anne Lafferty.

BAPTISMS	OUR LADY & ST EDMUND	ST EDWARD
Sunday 31st May, 12.30pm	William Potts	
Sunday 7th June, 12.30pm		Sophia Emily Walters

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

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