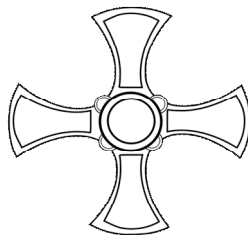


# The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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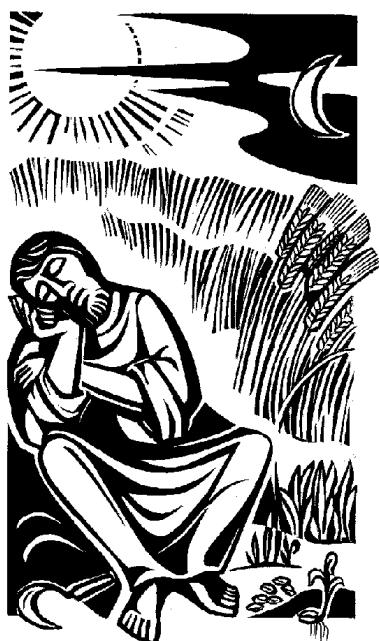
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## Sunday 14th June 2015 — Eleventh Sunday Year B

**Once the mustard seed is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all  
and starts to put out big branches so that the birds of the air  
can shelter in its shade.**

(Mark 4:32)

The story is told of the cockerel who convinced himself that he was important, because every time he crowed at dawn, the sun rose! It's a tale told to poke fun at people who think that everything revolves around them and everything depends upon their efforts. When Jesus tells the parables of the kingdom, he uses a similar analogy. He describes how it is that we must work for the kingdom, and yet at the same time the kingdom does not simply depend upon our efforts.



The man who threw seed on the land waited for the crop. Yet the crop kept growing even when the man had forgotten about it. In fact, we are led to believe that it grew just as much when the man was asleep as when he was watching over it. It needed the man to prepare the ground and sow the seed, but there was something else at work, let's call it nature, which had the final say. Jesus says of the man, "how the seed is sprouting and growing, he does not know."

There's no shortage of cockerel Christians. Sometimes we fool ourselves into thinking that the spread of the kingdom of God is brought about by our efforts. Nothing could be further from the truth. We can and must co-operate with God, but only the Holy Spirit can cause the kingdom to grow. We may put up the sails, but it's God who provides the wind. Similarly there are those who mix up the Church with the kingdom of God. But they are not the same. We cannot look at the growth or decline of the Church and equate it with the kingdom. The kingdom is more mysterious than the visible display which the Church gives. The kingdom of God is to be found wherever the Spirit of God is at work, wherever there is growth, harmony, reconciliation and peace. And we know that this happens in many places outside the Church. So the Church is caught up in the kingdom, - is even the bride of Christ the King, but it does not exhaust the boundaries of the kingdom.

All the efforts of the Church to bring Christ to the world are good and laudable. But there is something even greater at work. The kingdom, which is being built here on earth but will come to completion only in heaven, cannot be summoned up at our command. It is God's own kingdom, and it is God alone "who withers green trees and makes the withered green."



**Please pray for ...** A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who Suffer Persecution; Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe, Human Life and Seafarers. **Those who are sick:** please pray for all who are sick, for all who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes, including Jackie Kelly, Joseph Ackerley, Patricia Conlon, Betty Hill, Vonne and Mel Mitchell, Audrey Lewis, Betty Fenby, Canon Frank Kearney, Father Michael Marr, Father Bill Bellamy, Father Leo Coughlin, Ros McGann, Mary Robertson, Margaret Taylor, Father Richard Harriott, Monica Laidler, Gary James, Jean Williams, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Nancy Healy, Maura Lang, Kathleen Lavery, Gerry Thirsk, Father Gerard Monaghan, Tom Wright, Joan Fenwick and Jean Spedding. **Those who have died recently including Pat Dun** of Cleveland Park Care Home, whose Funeral Service will be held at Heaton Cemetery on Wednesday at 1.30pm; and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Offertory Collection 6th / 7th June**  
Total Offertory - **£794.01- THANK YOU**



**Mercy Associates Coffee Morning**

The Mercy Associates are holding a Coffee Morning on Tuesday 16th June after the 9.30am Mass. Everyone welcome. Tickets available from any member of the Mercy Associates.

Associates.



**'Safer Families for Children'**

Following the Appeal on Sunday 31st May, there will be a Parish Meeting to discuss this further on Monday 15th June at 7.30pm at St Cuthbert's Church.

**"Forward Together in Hope"**

This weekend we offer a very welcome to Father Jim O'Keefe who is leading the diocesan project "Forward Together in Hope" We look forward to listening what Fr Jim has say about this project and how we here in North Shields can be involved in the discussions. **There will be a Parish Meeting on Wednesday 17th June at 7.30pm, at St Cuthbert's Church Hall**, to share the information and inform everyone about what is going to happen. Hopefully the Hall will be big enough to hold everyone!! Refreshments will be available. Come along; we need you here at this meeting.



**CAFOD Medical Centre Appeal**

Although we are not having any large fundraising events for the appeal for the Medical Centre at the moment, we are still taking in any donations. St Joseph's School have been very busy over the last few months raising funds for this and as a parish we raised a substantial amount earlier in the year. If you wish to make a donation please do so.



**Summer Fayre**

We are to have a Summer Fayre at St Cuthbert's Church on Saturday 27th June. We are appealing for all the different items we need for the different stalls. If you can help, please bring along and leave in the box in the porch.



**Grand Raffle**

A Grand Raffle will be drawn on the afternoon of the Summer Fayre, and tickets for the Raffle are now available. Please try and take a few books of Raffle Tickets away with you to try to sell to family and friends.

**Sponsoring the Sanctuary Candles**

We sponsor Sanctuary Candles in both churches each weekend. Envelopes for intentions and offerings are available in church.



**Jubilee Photographic Display**

Many thanks to everyone who is contributing photos for the Jubilee Displays. Please remember, photos of any of the priests or Religious who have served our two churches, or any parish events will be greatly received. If you can assist with any of the above, please contact: Peter Quinn: Tel 0191 258 4526 or David Quinn: Tel 0191 257 7620

**Father Peter's Silver Jubilee Celebrations**

Father Peter will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on Monday 29th June with a Concelebrated Mass at 7.00pm at St Joseph's Church. After the Mass there will be a Reception at Percy Park Rugby Club.

**Silver Jubilee School Mass**

Our two Primary Schools are working together to celebrate [weather permitting] a joint outdoor Mass on Thursday 2nd July at St Joseph's School, to mark Fr Peter's Jubilee. Parishioners will be invited.

**Father Humble's Silver Jubilee**

Father Michael Humble would like to extend an open invitation to the people of St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields, to a Mass in St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on **Saturday 27th June at 7.00pm**, to mark the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood. Those wishing to attend should sign the list on the noticeboard.

**John Bagnall's Ordination and First Mass**

John Bagnall, is to be Ordained Priest by Bishop Séamus at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 4th July at 11.00am and John has written with an open invitation for anyone to attend the Mass at the Cathedral [please note that invitation to the Buffet is by ticket only]. If you wish to go to the Mass, please sign the list. John has also given an open invitation to anyone who would like to attend his First Mass to be celebrated on Sunday 5th July at 12.30pm at St Patrick's Church, Langley Moor, Durham. John's email address is bagnall.john@hotmail.co.uk, if you will be attending his First Mass.

**Flower Festival and 60th Jubilee Celebrations**

A Flower Festival to celebrate all the Jubilees this year will be held at St Joseph's Church from Thursday 20th August—Sunday 23rd August and conclude with the 60th Anniversary Mass of St Joseph's Church on Monday 24th August at 7.00pm.



**Parish Information Handbook**

Anyone with any information for the parish handbook currently being out together should either hand it or email it to barbaradavies56@hotmail.co.uk

**Pilgrimage to Ladywell**

We only have about 13 people expressing an interest in this pilgrimage. If you are interested in a Pilgrimage to Ladywell and the Shrine of Our Lady and the Martyrs, please sign the list on the noticeboard THIS WEEKEND. A decision will be made this week.



**Sacrament of Confirmation**

The Confirmation Course continues on Wednesday evening, and will begin at **7.15pm**. The Mass of Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 10th July at 7.00pm at St Cuthbert's Church.



**Diocesan Festival**



The Diocesan Festival takes place NEXT WEEKEND on Saturday 20th June and Sunday 21st June at The Youth Village, Allensford. Full information about this event is on the noticeboard and on the diocesan website. Bookings must be made via festival@diocesahn.org.uk or Tel 0191 243 3313.

**Cluster Council Meeting**

The next Cluster Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 18th June at 7.30pm at St Joseph's Church.

### Parish Mission Statement

"You send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth." [Psalm 104]

We are a community who meet Jesus in His words and in His Sacraments.

Filled then, with the Holy Spirit, we seek to build a community of faith, hope, love and hospitality.

As the Gospel is proclaimed, celebrated and lived out in our daily lives, we are sent out to renew the face of the earth"

### Liturgy and Worship Group Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Liturgy and Worship Group on Monday 22nd June at 7.30pm at St Cuthbert's in the upstairs meeting room. If anyone wants to get involved, please come along.



### Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course is to be held on Thursday 2nd July at St Edward's Church at 7pm. Any parents wishing to attend must speak to Fr Peter before turning up.

### Sacrament of Baptism

For Baptism in our cluster parishes, one parent of the child to be baptised must be a baptised catholic. Mass on a Sunday (or Sat. vigil) is expected. One of the godparents is also expected to be a practising catholic. Attendance at one of the Cluster Baptism Courses must be completed. Any parents from St Joseph's or St Cuthbert's wishing to attend should speak to Fr Peter. After the Baptism Course, the parents should speak once again to Fr Peter and make arrangements for an appointment to fix a date for a Baptism. PLEASE NOTE, that dates are not usually given out before the Baptism Course is completed. Parishioners from the other Cluster parishes should check with their respective Cluster priests about attending the course.

### Baptism Catechists Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Baptism catechists from all the Cluster Parishes on Thursday 9th July at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Cullercoats. Anyone not able to attend is asked to inform their respective parish priests.

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

The Diocese is organising a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12th—19th October. Father Peter has all details if anyone is interested or they are available on the diocesan website [www.rcdhn.org.uk].

### Follow STM on Twitter ...

The RE department at St Thomas More RC Academy has launched a twitter page. This will feature news, events and updates for parishioners, parents, and 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 them.

### 150th Anniversary of St Aidan's Parish

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

### Pope John Paul II Award

The Diocese is asking each church to appoint a Co-ordinator for the Pope John Paul II Award. The Church Co-ordinator is asked to undergo some local training and then when the Course is running, to be a local contact for any young people who wish to be actively involved. It's not an onerous task but regular meetings may be needed with the Deanery Co-ordinator. We need one for each church. If interested please speak to Fr Peter.



### St Joseph's School Fayre

St Joseph's Primary School are having a Fayre in a couple of weeks time and are appealing for some parish support. If anyone can help with bottles, tins and toiletries for the fair. I said I would ask, as maybe it would be nice for the pa it would be greatly appreciated. Drop off any items at school during school hours.

### Proclaim 15

On July 11th, 35 people from the diocese along with Bishop Seamus will join 850 people from around the country, for a one day gathering whose aim is to introduce people to the need for evangelising and missionary parishes in England and Wales. The event is in Birmingham and a coach will pick up at Newcastle and Hartlepool or Darlington. Anyone interested, please contact Sr Michael marymichael.ee7@googlemail.com or 0191 5813249. There are still a few seats available.



### Mission Mass

The Regional Annual Mission Mass will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 3.00 pm at St Joseph's Church, St Pauls, Road, Hartlepool, TS26 9EY. Mgr James Cronin the National Director of Missions will celebrate Mass and there are refreshments afterwards. This is a wonderful way to meet other APF – Mill Hill supporters and to join in prayer for and solidarity overseas. Bishop Seamus has also written to thank all the local parish secretaries of the Red Boxes ... in 2014 our diocese raised a total of £244,538.00.



### Myddleton Grange: Diocese of Leeds

Myddleton Grange is urgently seeking the last member of their team for 2015-16. This Gap-Year role involves assisting with leading School and Confirmation Retreats at Myddleton Grange, as well as outreach work within the Diocese of Leeds. Living as part of a small community in the beautiful countryside of Ilkley, your board and lodgings are provided, as well as a generous monthly allowance. This is a particularly good opportunity for young people considering working as Teachers or other school roles, Lay Chaplains, or discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life. For further info or application pack, contact Su Good-year (01943 607 887 or info@myddeltongrange.org.uk)

### World Youth Day

The Diocese, in conjunction with YMT is planning a pilgrimage for young people aged 18-30 years to World Youth Day at Krakow in Poland from 25th July—1st August 2016. The costs will be approximately £999. If anyone is interested, Fr Peter has some information and a Booking Form but more information is available on the YMT website [www.ymt.org/wyd16.html](http://www.ymt.org/wyd16.html)



### Thanks from Canada

Margaret Keavy sends her thanks to all her old St Cuthberts School friends for the tea party on her recent return to North Shields. All her love from Canada.

### Summer Music at Ushaw College

The month of June sees a bumper crop of concerts to complement the fabulous display of Rhododendrons in the formal gardens and the Fenwick Lawson Exhibition in the Chapel and cloisters. Open every Saturday 12.00.-5.00.p.m.

- Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 7.30.p.m. **Jonathan Parkin**. Classical Guitar Recital - the beautiful and gentle sounds of the acoustic guitar. Tickets £6.00 from [tickets@ushaw.org](mailto:tickets@ushaw.org) or pay on the door.
- Wednesday June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, **Royal Northern Sinfonia**, All-Mozart programme, Tickets £12.00, available at the Gala Theatre Durham 03000 266600
- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30.p.m. **Organ Recital by Robert Sharpe** – organist at York Minster. Tickets £6.00 from [tickets@ushaw.org](mailto:tickets@ushaw.org) or pay on the door.

### Diocesan Accountancy Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle requires a full-time Parishes Support Accountant to support all aspects of the financial operation of the Diocese. The successful candidate will hold an AAT qualification at Level 4 or equivalent and have experience in the preparation of budgets and reports in an accounting or financial environment. Excellent IT and communication skills are essential along with a full driving licence and access to a car. Experience of finance in a church or charity setting and working with volunteers would be an advantage. An application pack is available at [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk). For further information please contact: HR Manager, Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle (0191 243 3301 or email [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk)) The closing date for applications is 30th June 2015.

### Come to the Well and Drink

Saturday 4th July, 10.00am - 3.00pm. A training day for those interested in leading sessions to explore and experience different ways of contemplative and creative praying. This day is free and course materials and lunch are provided. However, there is the expectation that participants will use what they have learnt in parishes/ prayer groups/ deaneries! St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, Newcastle, NE15 7PY.

### St Cuthbert's School Vacancy

St Cuthbert's Primary School Governors are seeking to appoint a Teaching Assistant, Level 3, supporting and delivering learning in KS1 & KS2 [Grade 5 £14,557.38 - £15,987.76 over 193 days]. Application forms are available from the School Business Manager, Mr Barry Jennings, at the school address on receipt of a S.A.E and should be returned to the school address. Applications must be on the standard support staff CES application form which can be downloaded from the CESEW website ([www.cesew.org.uk](http://www.cesew.org.uk)) or emailed by request to school and must be returned by post to the Headteacher, c/o school. Closing date for applications is Friday 26th June 2015; Shortlisting is the week beginning Monday 29th June 2015 and Interviews will be held the week beginning Monday 6th July 2015.



### Tea and Coffee

Please remember that we serve Tea and Coffee every Sunday morning after both the 9.30am and 11am Masses; and also on a Wednesday morning after Mass at St Cuthbert's.

## Masses, Devotions and Services

### St Cuthbert's Church

### St Joseph's Church

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<b>Saturday 13th June</b>	<b>5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions</b> <b>5.30pm Vigil:</b> In Thanksgiving (LS)	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Sunday 14th June</b> <b>11th Sunday Year B</b>	<b>11.00am Mass:</b> ..... NO INTENTION .....	<b>9.25am The Angelus</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> People of the Parish
<b>Monday 15th June</b> <i>Weekday</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Sr Catherine McGourty (70th Jubilee)	
<b>Tuesday 16th June</b> <i>St Richard of Chichester</i>		<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Fr Lawrence Jones NBF
<b>Wednesday 17th June</b> <i>Weekday</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Fr Lawrence Jones NBF	
<b>Thursday 18th June</b> <i>Weekday</i>		<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> John Wilson
<b>Friday 19th June</b> <i>St Romuald</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Fr Hugh McCann NBF	
<b>Saturday 20th June</b> <i>St Alban</i>	<b>5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions</b> <b>5.30pm Vigil:</b> Duckett & Edwards Families	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> Fr Hugh McCann NBF <b>10am—10.30am Adoration &amp; Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 21st June</b> <b>12th Sunday Year B</b>	<b>11.00am Mass:</b> ..... NO INTENTION .....	<b>9.25am The Angelus</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> George Storey

### The Holy Father's Intentions For June 2015

**Universal Intention:** That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come.  
**Missionary Intention:** That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in priesthood or consecrated life.

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**St Cuthbert's School - <http://stcuthberts.eschools.co.uk/website>**  
**St Joseph's School - [www.stjosephsrc-primary.co.uk](http://www.stjosephsrc-primary.co.uk)**  
**St Thomas More RC Academy - <http://vle.stmacademy.org.uk/>**