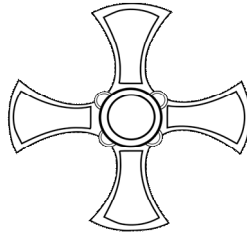


# The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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**Sunday 19th July 2015 — 16th Sunday, Year B**

## So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves.

(Mark 6:32)



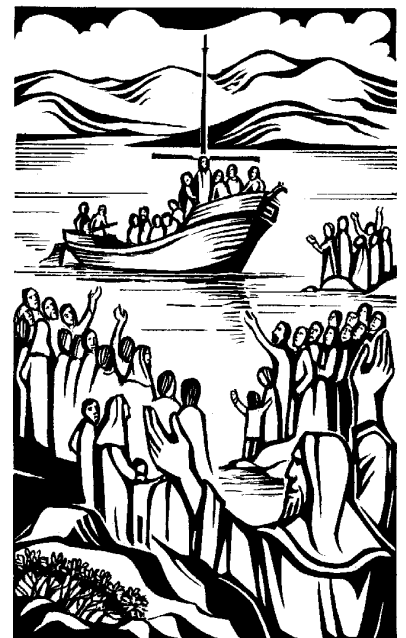
It's getting harder to escape from noise. We seem to have given in to the idea that noise is normal and quiet is abnormal. Yet the opposite is true. If we fill every moment of our day with doing and getting, with hurrying and scurrying, then we will eventually come to a grinding halt. We need time to recharge, to take stock and to evaluate where all our activity is taking us. If we don't do this then time dictates to us rather than the other way round.

From time to time the gospels recall that Jesus had to create some space of his own in order to keep on top of the mission his Father had entrusted to him. If he had not done this then he would have been less effective. So we see him going off to think and pray before many of the key stages in his ministry: being baptized, choosing his apostles, accepting his sacrifice on the cross etc.

It goes without saying that if Jesus had to do this, then each of us will find it very hard to function without creating these moments of reflection and prayer. And they have to be created; they do not just present themselves. Although they may seem like a luxury in our busy timetables, they are in fact necessities.

Being alone does not mean that we have to be lonely. We can be alone in a crowd. Being alone means being centred, being in a constant relationship with God, knowing that God is never far from us. To recognize this at the beginning of each new day allows us to call it to mind in the spare moments of our hustle and bustle. It serves to re-focus us, to encourage us and to ensure that no moment of our day is wasted.

Creating these few moments of peace and quiet each day makes us hungry for longer periods in which we can be alone by ourselves. It helps us to get our priorities right and to keep in the right direction. Getting into a boat and finding a bit of deserted sea shore was the way in which Jesus searched for this inner peace. You may not have a boat, but in every twenty four hours you're sure to come across a bit of sea shore.



### 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"



**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 Con-

lon, 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, 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 Father Michael Corbett. Those who have died recently remembering **Jean Spedding** and **Tim Nichol**; for **Tony Robinson**, who died suddenly during the week, husband of Mrs Jackie Robinson from St Joseph's School, whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph's Church at 9.30am on Thursday 23rd July, followed by cremation at Tynemouth Crematorium; and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Offertory Collection 11th / 12th July**  
Total Offertory - **£833.48 - THANK YOU**

### Apostleship of the Sea

Thank you to everyone who contributed to last Sunday's Retiring Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea. The amount raised was **£285.68**.



**Apostleship of the Sea**  
Supporting Seafarers Worldwide

### CAFOD Medical Centre Appeal

Very many thanks to everyone who has helped with the fundraising for the CAFOD World Gifts Medical Centre Appeal which we launched at the beginning of Lent this year. This week, St Joseph's School handed a cheque to Fr Peter for £1,000 for this and as a Parish community, we have raised £1989.29; the Youth Group have donated £316.58; and St Cuthbert's School recently raised £436.46 in a sponsored walk. In total therefore, we have managed to raise **£3,792.33**. We only need to find another **£207.67**; and St Cuthbert's School have big plans for their 'Enterprise Week' in October for further fundraising!!

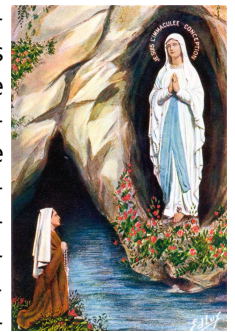


### Day for Life

Next Sunday is the national day of prayer, Day for Life – the day in the church's year dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life and praying for the protection of human life. This year we look at how to cherish life while we can and accept death when it comes. [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org). There will be a second collection in parishes to support 'Day for Life'. Proceeds of the collection will go to The Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other pro-life related activities supported by the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

### Petitions for Lourdes

Sending petitions to Lourdes for a particular intention is something that has helped many people throughout the last 157 years. If you would like a petition for prayer taking and placing in the Grotto during this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage, place your intention and prayers in an envelope and hand to Fr Peter. *Do not include money in your intentions envelopes*. If you wish to include a money donation for the lighting of a candle please make it clear it is for a candle.



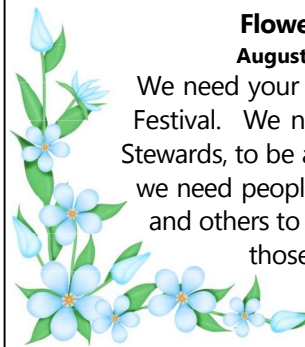
### Sponsoring the Sanctuary Candles

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

### Flower Festival Volunteers

**August 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd**

We need your support please during the Flower Festival. We need people to act as Ushers and Stewards, to be around the church during the day; we need people willing to make Tea and Coffee, and others to tidy up at the end of day. Lists for those able to help, in the time slots available, are on the noticeboard in church.

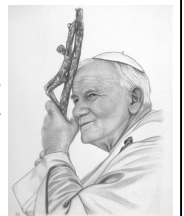


### St Joseph's Jubilee Mass Preparations

We need people to prepare some food for the Buffet after the 60th Jubilee Mass on Monday 24th August. If able to help, please sign your name as soon as possible on the list

### !! Pope John Paul II Award Rep !!

We still need a volunteer from St Joseph's Church to offer to be the Parish Representative for the Pope John Paul II Award .... The Deanery rep is already awaiting a reply about who this is to be .... Please .... Someone who knows who is who and what to do at St Joseph's ... We need a volunteer .... !!



### Parish Facebook Page

Did you know that we have a Facebook page? It's a good place to view some of the photos taken at recent celebrations, particularly the Confirmation Mass and Fr Peter's Jubilee ... page name is "The Parish of St Cuthbert and St Joseph, North Shields".



### Mass Intentions

We have very few Mass Intentions at both St Joseph's and St Cuthbert's which have no particular date attached to them. We have several for particular days or dates, but if you want a Mass celebrated during a weekday Mass, it is usually very easy to have this done. Please note that if you ask for a Saturday Vigil Mass or a Sunday morning, these may be delayed, as most people ask for these dates and so they are usually back dated because of the number of requests; if this happens and we cannot fit the requested date, then we will use our discretion if your date is not available for an alternative date, unless you clearly specify.

### 40th Wedding Congratulations

This weekend Francis and Nora McSherry celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary. As Francis is here with us every Sunday, playing his guitar during Mass, we take this opportunity to congratulate both Francis and Nora on this very special occasion.

### Clergy References for Jobs

Please remember that if writing off for application forms for new jobs and you need a priest reference, it is courtesy to ask the priest for the reference, **BEFORE** the request appears in his post or in his email inbox. It is usually helpful to speak to the applicant about the new job being applied for, so that if and when possible a reference can be given, at least the priest knows who the person is and what the new job is all about!!

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Fr Peter is organising the next Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12th—19th October. There are still places available if anyone wishes to go. Flights from / to Luton, with Luton coach transfer included. 2 Nights in Bethlehem: 2 Nights in Tiberias: 3 Nights in Jerusalem. Booking Forms on Diocesan Website or from Tangney Tours 01732 886666. Further details from Fr Peter Stott. 0191 257 5801. Price is £1295.00 per person, Single Room £275, Insurance £60.00.



### 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)



### Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course is to be held on THURSDAY 13th AUGUST at St Mary'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.



### Dates for Baptisms

As Fr Peter is leaving in the last week of August, dates for baptism after that week will not be given. Parents requesting Baptism after August must wait to speak to Fr Chris Hughes to organise Baptisms.

### Building Works at The Orchard

You may have noticed that renovation works have begun on The Orchard sheltered housing behind St Cuthbert's Church. The company in charge of the redevelopment are asking for use of a number of parking bays in our car park throughout the day for their sole use. Discussions are taking place between the company concerned and our Diocesan Property Office and Fr Peter about this to see if some agreement can be found.

### "Forward Together in Hope"

Before Advent, every parish in the diocese is being asked to complete its parish questionnaire for Forward Together in Hope. This questionnaire was presented to parishioners several weeks ago. Before we meet to discuss what answers to give, it is important for parishioners to think about the 12 questions of Part B of the questionnaire that were handed out recently, copies of which are still available and also on the diocesan website, pp32—44 of the Questionnaire. Those who visit the sick and housebound, and those who have family member who no longer attend church are encouraged



to pass on a questionnaire to them also. Those who complete the Questionnaire will need to know people's responses to these questions so if you have any thoughts, please put them down in writing and hand them in addressed to 'Sean Brockbank, Forward Together in Hope'. These envelopes can be left in the sacristy or put through the presbytery door.

### Assisted Suicide Bill

On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. This Private Members Bill, introduced by Rob Marris MP, will have a free vote and it is important that people make their views known to their own MP ahead of this debate. This Bill puts the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Our Bishops are now asking each one of to contact our MP, urging them to attend the debate and vote against the Bill. **(before 22nd July)** You can send an e-mail to your MP via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website (assisted-suicide) or send a letter by post, a draft of which can be found at the back of the Church; alternatively you can have prepared copy of the Word.doc letter via email from Fr Peter using the parish email address—all you need to do is add your own details, our MPs details and date etc to make it your own letter. Archbishop Peter Smith writes "MPs do listen to their own constituents. What is needed is more and better palliative care, not assistance with suicide"

### The Parish Newsletter

We are looking for people interested in helping put together the parish newsletter. Fr Peter currently prepares the newsletter throughout the week and then finalises it on a Saturday afternoon. As he is preparing to move to pastures new, this is a good time for us to see if there are any parishioners who would like to get involved in keeping the newsletter running as it is until Fr Hughes arrives. There will be a meeting at St Joseph's on Monday 27th July at 7pm for those who are interested.

### Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi

Next year is a Holy Year of Mercy and we are organising a Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, with Hexham and possibly Morpeth if there is space!! It has been very difficult to get suitable dates and the only ones available were 11th September—18th September 2016, with four nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi. Flights with Jet 2 from Newcastle. Booking Forms and prices will be available soon.



## Masses, Devotions and Services

### St Cuthbert's Church

### St Joseph's Church

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<b>Saturday 18th July</b>	<b>5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions</b> <b>5.30pm Vigil:</b> Bernard & Anna Teresa Hearn	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> Mary Groake <b>10am—10.30am Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 19th July</b> <b>16th Sunday Year B</b>	<b>11.00am Mass:</b> Dolores Hunter	<b>9.25am The Angelus</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Peter Smith
<b>Monday 20th July</b> <i>St Apollinaris</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Alice Betham	
<b>Tuesday 21st July</b> <i>St Lawrence of Brindisi</i>		<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Michael and Mary O'Grady
<b>Wednesday 22nd July</b> <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Word and Communion Service</b>	
<b>Thursday 23rd July</b> <i>St Bridget of Sweden</i>		<b>9.30am REQUIEM MASS:</b> Tony Robinson
<b>Friday 24th July</b> <i>Martyrs of the Diocese</i>	<b>9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> Imelda & Denis Handel	
<b>Saturday 25th July</b> <i>St James</i>	<b>5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions</b> <b>5.30pm Vigil:</b> Mary Jeffrey	<b>10.30am HOSPITAL MASS</b>
<b>Sunday 26th July</b> <b>17th Sunday Year B</b>	<b>11.00am Mass:</b> Audrey Hall	<b>9.25am The Angelus</b> <b>9.30am Mass:</b> People of the Parish

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

**Universal Intention:** That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

**Missionary Intention:** That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

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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/>