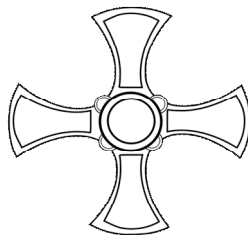


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Sunday 5th July 2015 — 14th Sunday, Year B

**A prophet is only despised in his own country,
among his own relations, and in his own house.**

(Mark 6:4)

None of us likes to admit that we are prejudiced or biased. We like to think that we are the original, open-minded, generous, welcoming person. Just like the people in Jesus's hometown. Yet when Jesus returned to Nazareth, even though his fame preceded him -his preaching and his miracles - the local people rejected him. They did this not because they didn't believe him, but because they couldn't stomach one of their own doing so well. Surely this was just the carpenter's son, Mary's boy? How could he be anything special?

Many of us find it hard to accept the truth when it comes from the wrong quarter. We hear a politician speaking sensibly but write him off because he's from the wrong party. We are told a home truth from the woman across the road but discount it because she's nothing but a gossip. At other times we scorn a bottle of wine because it comes from Ethnia instead of France or Italy, or we assume that a holiday in an exotic place must automatically be better than one in our own country. How different things would be if we learned to cherish what's on our own doorstep. We would discover a new pride and a new sense of delight in the people and places of our own neighbourhood or parish.

How much more pleasant it would be to recognize that the members of our church community had such a lot to offer: musicians who can hold their own with any of the local parishes; people whose skills at reading make the word of God come alive; dedicated parishioners who work with our children or devote their time to our young people; sensitive folk who visit the sick or take communion to those confined to home; priests who are always available to lend an ear; fund-raisers, flower arrangers, teachers, catechists, tea-makers... the list is endless.

"Can anything good come from Nazareth?" is an attitude of mind that will eventually kill our enthusiasm. But to recognize the good in our midst means that we learn to have a generosity of spirit that not only sees good but encourages it in others. Next time you see something or someone contributing to the building up of the parish, comment on it; don't let the chance slip by to praise people or to be supportive of others' efforts. Be open to God's Spirit, and defy the moaners.



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 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 Father Michael Corbett. Those who have died recently including: **Jean Spedding**, whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Monday 13th July; and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Offertory Collection 27th / 28th June

Total Offertory - **£961.20 - THANK YOU**

Summer Fayre thanks

Very many thanks to everyone who supported the Summer Fayre last weekend, either by helping in preparation, running stalls or attending the fayre. The total raised came to **£3,021.21.**



Peters Pence

The retiring collection last weekend for 'Peters Pence' raised **£222.10.** Very many thanks.

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. If you wish to make a donation please do so.



Apostleship of the Sea

Next weekend we celebrate Sea Sunday and we mark the worldwide day of prayer for the Apostleship of the Sea. The work of the Apostleship of the Sea is so important and benefits many people who are living and working away from home. The local chaplain does a lot of work on the River Tyne, visiting ships in port. There will be a Retiring Collection next week.



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.

Jubilee Thanks

"It is quite difficult to put into words exactly what I want to say to everyone concerning the celebrations this week to mark the 25th Anniversary of my Ordination. Needless to say I am overwhelmed at people's generosity - I've received greetings from so many people, over 160 cards, gifts, the cheque from parishioners, gifts from the Filipino community, the Indian Community and the Polish Community in the parish. Very many thanks for your wonderful gifts and friendship. The Mass on Monday evening was a great celebration and I thank everyone who made it possible. There have been many wonderful comments about how moving, inspiring and uplifting the Mass was. I am also very touched by the many comments in the cards received—as priests we sometimes underestimate the effect we have in peoples lives, but are very privileged to be involved in them with you. To everyone who decorated the church, flower arrangers, cleaners, the Choir and musicians, the Altar Servers, to all who moved chairs, and all who tidied up, thank you very much. Thanks also to the two schools for organising a joint school Mass at St Joseph's on Thursday morning which was great. With many thanks, Fr Peter".

Clergy Appointments

As announced recently, the Bishop has asked Father Peter to become the Parish Priest of St Robert's Morpeth and St Bede's Bedlington and to reside at Morpeth. Father Chris Hughes, from St Bede's, Bedlington, will move to become Co-Pastor in this Cluster of Parishes, with particular responsibility for St Cuthbert and St Joseph Parish, North Shields. Monsignor Andrew Faley will assume the role of Coordinating Pastor of the Cluster. Father Peter will probably be leaving North Shields sometime during the last week of August, after the Sixtieth Jubilee Mass of St Joseph's, and Father Hughes will move to North Shields shortly after that.

Father John Bagnall

We offer our prayers and congratulations to John Bagnall who was ordained a priest at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 4th July. We wish John well for his priestly ministry. John has been appointed as 'Priest with Pastoral Responsibility' for Our Lady and St Joseph Parish, Brooms, Co. Durham, and he will be living at St Joseph's, Stanley.

Jubilee Photographic Display

Many thanks to everyone who is contributing photos for the Jubilee Displays. If you can assist with any photos please contact: Peter Quinn: Tel 0191 258 4526 or David Quinn: Tel 0191 257 7620.

Parish Information Handbook

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

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 13th July at 7.30pm. Any items for inclusion on Agenda should be handed in writing to Ian Pearson (Chair) Linda Shotton (Secretary) or Fr Peter as soon as possible, but before Thursday 9th July.

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.

Pope John Paul II Award

Many thanks to Linda Shotton who has offered to be the Church Coordinator for St Cuthbert's Church. We now just need a person from St Joseph's to be the Coordinator ... if willing to help, please let Fr Peter know as soon as possible. There will be some training involved at some stage so the person volunteering must be willing and able to do this.



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.



CAFOD Vacancy

Community Participation Co-ordinator, Two year fixed term post (part time 17.5 hpw in Hexham & Newcastle diocese) post working with volunteers in parish and school communities helping to inspire and resource Catholics to participate in the Church's mission to overcome poverty and injustice overseas in partnership with CAFOD. Closing date 10th July 2015. <http://www.cafod.org.uk/Work-with-us/UK-Jobs/CPC>

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



Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course is to be held on Monday 3rd 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.

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.

Dementia Friends Information Workshop

Many people in our community are living with Dementia. 400,000 people are diagnosed with Early Onset Dementia and 1-in-14 over the age of 65, with Dementia of one form or another. By increasing the number of people with a good understanding of this disease, we can reduce the impact of the symptoms and help those effected to live a fuller life and reduce the feeling of isolation that can so often be the case. We are to hold a Dementia Friends Meeting on **Wednesday 8th July 10.15am—11.15am**. This is for young and old and anyone who wants to make a real difference. Come along and bring a friend!

"Forward Together in Hope"

During the time we have between now and Advent, as we reflect on how to complete and submit the Parish Questionnaire, we invite you to reflect on some of the questions that have to be answered in Part B of the Questionnaire that were handed out last week. These questions can also be found on the diocesan website, and they are on pages 32—44 of the Questionnaire. 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'.



St Thomas More Academy Chaplain

St Thomas More Academy have appointed Mr Michael Thompson as their new School Chaplain and he began work there last Monday. Michael belongs to St Edwards Parish, Whitley Bay. He is a former pupil of the school and left six years ago. He did a year with the Diocesan Youth Ministry Team, and then completed his degree in Edinburgh, before working in the Philippines during the last year with the Salesians of Don Bosco. We congratulate Michael on his appointment and assure him of our prayers in his new role.

Holy Hour

There will be a Holy Hour this afternoon [Sunday 5th] at 4.30pm at St Cuthbert's Church and the focus for prayer will be the Precious Blood of Jesus, as July is the month of the Precious Blood.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Seamus will be present with us at St Cuthbert's Church on Friday evening as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation during Mass at 7pm. Please pray for those who are to be confirmed, and especially those from our own parish ... **Rachael Skelly, Jules Capena, Gary Capena, Joseph O'Donnell, Caterina Gray, Will Graham, Jethro Turko, Nisha Mohindra, Sophia Fortes, Megan Robertson, Billy Fitzpatrick and Niamh Hughes.** We are all particularly grateful to Gerry Nelson and the team of Catechists from our cluster parishes who have worked together so well to lead the preparation meetings so that our young people can celebrate this special sacrament on Friday evening. We are also most grateful to members of the parish who have turned up each Wednesday evening to provide refreshments for the young people and catechists during their meetings. Very many thanks.

Masses, Devotions and Services

St Cuthbert's Church

St Joseph's Church

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Saturday 4th July	5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions 5.30pm Vigil: Brendan & Maura Moss, [Silver Wedding Anniversary]	No Mass
Sunday 5th July 14th Sunday Year B	11.00am Mass: In Thanksgiving 12.15pm Baptism: Joseph Winston Barnes and Jessica Nell Barnes	9.25am The Angelus 9.30am Mass: Michael Falla
Monday 6th July <i>St Maria Goretti</i>	9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Jean Spedding	
Tuesday 7th July <i>Weekday</i>		9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: No Intention.....
Wednesday 8th July <i>Weekday</i>	9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Alfred Hezelgrave	
Thursday 9th July <i>St Augustine Zhao Rong</i>		9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Mel Gates
Friday 10th July <i>Weekday</i>	9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Bunting Family 7.00pm Mass of Confirmation	
Saturday 11th July <i>St Benedict</i>	5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions 5.30pm Vigil: Sr Anthony Scanlon	9.30am Mass: No Intention..... 10am—10.30am Confessions
Sunday 12th July 15th Sunday Year B	11.00am Mass: Nora Clarke	9.25am The Angelus 9.30am Mass: 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.

Diocese - www.rcdhn.org.uk

Cluster - www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

St Cuthbert's School - <http://stcuthberts.eschools.co.uk/website>

St Joseph's School - www.stjosephsrc-primary.co.uk

St Thomas More RC Academy - <http://vle.stmacademy.org.uk/>