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30th Sunday of Year B – 25th October 2015

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	25 th	30 th Sun of Year B	St O	9.30am	Kay Butler	Jer 31: 7-9, Heb 5: 1-6 Mark 10: 46-52
			St M	11.00am		
Mon	26 th	Ss Chad & Cedd	St M	9.30am	Giustiano Di Mascio	Rom 12: 3-13, Luke 10: 1-9
Tue	27 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Roms 8: 18-25, Luke 13: 18-21
Wed	28 th	Ss Simon & Jude	St O	9.30am	Richard Hudson-Storey & Fam	Eph 2: 19-22, Luke 6: 12-19
Thu	29 th	Weekday	St M	9.30am	Christine McLaughlin (in hosp)	Roms 8: 31-39, Luke 13: 31-35
Fri	30 th	Martyrs of Douai College	St O	9.30am	Special Intention (AT)	2 Cor 6: 4-10, John 12: 24-26
Sat	31 st	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Terry, Leo, Kevin, Vincent Robinson	Rom 11: 1-29, Luke 14: 1-11
			St O	12.00pm	Wedding Service: Lucy Collingwood & Harry Kanagaratnam	
Sun	1 st	All Saints' Day	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Apoc 7: 2-14, 1 John 3: 1-3
			St M	11.00am	Kevin Clarke	Matt 5: 1-12

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - *and available on request*
(Rosary at St Oswin (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in October: Lyn Johnson, Brenda Miller, Seamus Cassidy, Mary Wrightson, Jim McAllister, Noreen Dennis, June Barnsley, Fred Stimpson, Sr Rosaleen, Tom Gregson and Lily.

Anniversaries: William Oxley, Mary Pickering, Sidney Flynn Gladys Wood, Timothy Cassidy, Walter Rudling, Wilhelmina O'Driscoll, Edward Collins, Reginald Munafa, Canon Bewick (1st PP).

Today there will be a retiring collection for Clergy Training Fund.

The Parish Finance Committee meets this **Thurs 29 Oct** at 10.15am in the Presbytery.

'A Light in the Darkness' - A service for those who mourn the loss of a child to be held at St Mary's Cathedral on **Sun 1 Nov at 3.00pm**.

Parish Christmas Dinner/Social. Will be held on **Fri 11 Dec** at Tynemouth Golf Club. Numbers are limited so please sign list at back of church as soon as possible if you would like to go. Menu on show beside the list. Cost £20 which includes lucky ticket for Christmas Hamper and spot prizes!

A Big Thank You to all those who donated wool for AgeUK. We will knit lots of well needed hats, scarves, jumpers etc!

Appeal for Evening Chronicle Wish Tokens - Please cut out the tokens and bring to the back of Church where Barbara Shippen will be happy to collect. Many thanks.

Forward Together in Hope: Each week you are invited to submit a written response to two reflective questions which accompany this newsletter. These can be placed in the box available at the back of church.

The next parish open meeting will be held on **Thurs 19 Nov 6.45-8.00pm** to assess the responses to the second set of questions. I encourage all to be part of this. The full version of the parish response to Section A of the questionnaire is available for viewing on the cluster website. Please encourage non-Churchgoers to complete the online questionnaire. Follow link on Diocesan website.

Annual Remembrance Service of Prayers for the Dead This year's celebration of prayer and readings for those who have died over the past year will take place at **7.30pm on Thurs 19 Nov** in St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. The names of those whose funerals were celebrated in the Parish will be included automatically. Please let your parish office know if you have any other names to be included.

Forward Together in Hope Prayer:

Glory be to the Father – in whom we live and move and have our being.

Glory be to the Son – whose name we bear and who calls each of us to be his disciples; to build his Kingdom and to go out into the world and bear its fruit.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit – pouring out grace and guidance, forming us and renewing us. Inspire us all in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle to live the Gospel, to be open to change and to move forward together in hope.

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The prophet foretells the return of God's people from exile in Babylon. Even the most helpless will share in the joy of this great event.

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125

Response: **What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.
2. The heathens themselves said: What 'marvels
the lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage,
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

This reading sets out the things that are required of a priest, and shows how Christ meets these perfectly.

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus hears the cry of a blind man and gives him back his sight.

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said, 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him, 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

What have your eyes of faith helped you see in a new way?

Parish Questionnaire Reflective Questions – Week 4

7. Finance

A sustainable community must have an annual income that is sufficient to cover its expenses. There needs to be a reliable level of stewardship among the faithful who willingly give of their time, gifts and energy to sustain the work of the community.

- a) **How do you feel about the average weekly offertory donation in your community, which is £3.22 per mass attendee? Does this need to increase to enable your community to flourish in 2030?**

- b) **If you are a finance-rich community, how do you feel about sharing some of your resources with very poor parts of the Diocese?**

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8. Facilities

A flourishing community needs good facilities which need to be well maintained. It cannot undertake any building projects, renovations or improvements unless it has the resources to pay for them. It may be that in some places, there is a need for a plan for the community and a plan for the buildings, and they may be separate plans. It is also true to say that our buildings can be a witness to the presence of the Church in our world, or a drain on resources and energy.

a) What sort of use can your community foresee for any unused or underused parish facilities in the future?

b) How can the community develop the capacity to look after its facilities in the future?

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