

**OUR LADY & ST OSWIN'S
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ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS**

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All Saints – 1st November 2015

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	1 st	All Saints' Day	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Apoc 7: 2-14, 1 John 3: 1-3 Matt 5: 1-12
			St M	11.00am	Kevin Clarke	
Mon	2 nd	All Souls' Day	St M	9.30am	John Glynn	Apoc 7: 2-14, 1 John 3: 1-3
Tue	3 rd	St Winefride	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Rom 12: 5-16, Luke 14: 15-24
Wed	4 th	St Charles Borromeo, Bp	St O	9.30am	Natalie Alderton	Rom 12: 3-13, John 10: 11-16
Thu	5 th	Weekday	St M	9.30am	Class Mass Year 3	
Fri	6 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Richard Hudson Storey	Rom 13: 8-10, Luke 14: 25-33
Sat	7 th	St Willibrord, Bp	St O	9.30am	Dermot Maguire	1 Cor 1: 18-25, Mark 16: 15-20
Sun	8 th	32 nd Sun of Year B	St O	9.30am	Agnes Cook	Kings 17: 10-16, Heb 9: 24-28
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	Mark 12: 38-44

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 November: Moira Joyce, Anne Calow, Michael Patterson, Samantha Patterson, Florence Curran.

Anniversaries: Geoffrey Rayner, John Bell, Mary Anderson, Susan Worthington, Frank McConnen, Joseph Bell, Eunice Hamill, Mary Rudling, Kevin Clarke, William Douglas, John O'Donovan, Nora Teague, Marion Watling, Dorothy Murphy.

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

First Holy Communions: Parents have a meeting this coming **Wed 4 Nov 7-8pm** in the church hall. The children will meet with the catechists **next Sun, 10-12pm** at St Mary's.

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.

Parish Christmas Dinner/Social Fri 11 Dec. Few places still available. Tickets, together with payment (£20) will be on sale **NEXT** Sunday. At the same time please make your choices from the menu sheet provided. Places only secured with payment.

Million Thanks - The Justice and Peace group would like to thank parishioners for their amazingly generous offerings on Harvest Sunday at St. Mary's.

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.

An Evening with Friar Alessandro – Fri 27 Nov 7-9pm. "A Voice from Assisi" Held at St Joseph's Church, North Shields. Tickets £5 on sale at Church. See poster for full details. Contact: Maureen Stimpson 252 2236.

Ceilidh Dance – on Sat 21 Nov 7pm at Marden Resident's Club. Led by Pride of Erin Ceilidh Band. Tickets £5 or £3 concessions, available at Resident's Club (2900201) or Francis (2587101) See poster for full details.

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

Apocalypse 7:2-4.9-14

This reading recalls how the church gathers together from every corner of the world and journeys towards the heavenly liturgy.

I John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God: he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed, in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

Response: **Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm.
2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
Who desires not worthless things.
3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

Christian holiness is a reply to the love of the Father who wishes to make us his children.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

The Beatitudes are the proclamation of the good news that, in Jesus, God is present to all those who are in need.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them. 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

Question of the week

When you heard the Beatitudes today, which one struck you personally?

Parish Questionnaire Reflective Questions – Week 5

9. Geographic Distance

A flourishing community may be influenced by its location. The proximity of neighbouring parishes can have a real impact on the vibrancy of a community. If several communities are in close proximity with large, ageing buildings that are only half-full, this will need to be taken into account when considering the future.

Our basic question is about how we can enable communities to flourish in order for us to deepen our sense of discipleship and service. Our parish churches are not private chapels maintained simply because the community has enough money to cover the expense.

- a) How does your community feel about the possibility that the only way to ensure flourishing in the future is to become part of a new parish community?**

- b) Are there ways in which your community can serve and support neighbouring communities?**

10.Young People

Young people are not just the 'future' of the Church; they are very much part of the present. We all need to look at how actively young people are encouraged and affirmed in their contribution to the community throughout the year. The enthusiasm and energy of young people can sometimes be daunting to those who are older, but they are also signs of the Holy Spirit within us and among us.

a) What good experiences regarding Church life do the young people have in your community?

b) How can the presence and witness of young people be more encouraged and supported in the community?

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO THE BOX PROVIDED AT BACK OF CHURCH