

MASS READINGS
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (YEAR C)

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord.

Luke 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, 'Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you are to say this, "The Master needs it." The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, 'Why are you untying that colt?' and they answered, 'The Master needs it.' So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out: 'Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!' Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Master, check your disciples,' but he answered, 'I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out.'

THE MASS

FIRST READING

I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed.

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R/ v.2

R/ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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| <p>1. All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend. R/</p> | <p>2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones. R/</p> |
| <p>3. They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! R/</p> | <p>4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
and sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.' R/</p> |

SECOND READING

He humbled himself, but God raised him high.


Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke

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Sunday, 20 th March 2016 – Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday) Year C		
	Masses, Devotions and Services	
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 19 th March St. Joseph	5:00pm-5:30pm Confessions 5:30pm Vigil: Bernard & Anna Theresa Hearn	9:30am Mass:
Sunday 20 th March Palm Sunday	11:00am Mass: Joseph McMullen 4:30pm Stations of the Cross	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Sarah Moverly
Monday, 21 st March Monday of Holy Week	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Word & Communion	
Tuesday, 22 nd March Tuesday of Holy Week		9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Wednesday, 23 rd March Wednesday of Holy Week	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Lawrence Boyd	12:00noon Requiem Mass for Jean Williams
Thursday, 24 th March Maundy Thursday	7:30pm Mass of the Last Supper	9:30am St Joseph's School Mass
Friday, 25 th March Good Friday		3:00pm Good Friday Liturgy
Saturday 26 th March Holy Saturday	8:00pm Easter Vigil	
Sunday 27 th March Easter Sunday	11:00am Mass:	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Kevin More and Deceased members of More family

24 Hour Vigil for Moving Forward Together in Hope

The Worship and Formation group are preparing for a 24 hour prayer vigil. It will take place on May 12th starting after the Confirmation Celebration at St Cuthbert's and at roughly 6.30 am on May 13, the vigil will move to St Joseph's and finish there after a Mass at 7pm on the Friday evening. It was decided that each hour would have a theme and the themes would come from a combination the fruits and gifts of the Spirit as we approach Pentecost on May 15th and the Corporeal Works of Mercy. There is a list of the themes at the back of Church and if you would like to lead one of the hours you would be welcome to do so. We do hope to involve other parishes in the Cluster, the local Catholic Schools, and the diocesan departments of Evangelisation, Spirituality and Development. Please pray for this and spread the word. Fr Chris hopes that this will be a great opportunity for people to come together and pray for our parish at this time of change.

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, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Nancy Healy, Maura Lang, Kathleen Lavery, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright and Joan Fenwick. We pray for Jean Williams, Isabel Simpson and Rosemary Reed and all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Total Offertory Collection

13th March - £855.83

Lenten Alms - £83.60

Deanery Lenten Penitential Service

There will be a Penitential Services at St Aidan's Wallsend on Tuesday March 22nd at 7pm. **There will be no Penitential Service at St Joseph's or St Cuthbert's.**

Stations of the Cross

The last of the Lenten Stations of the Cross will be this Sunday, March 20th, at 4.30pm Stations it will be at St. Cuthbert's. Fr Chris would like to thanks all those who have lead and taken part in the Lenten Stations.

Holy Week Triduum Liturgies

The three most important Liturgical Celebrations of the Church throughout the year are the Triduum Celebrations of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. The date, time and venues for these great celebrations of our Faith are as follows:

Thursday 24th March 7.30pm Mass of the Last Supper at St Cuthbert's.

Friday 25th March 3.00pm The Good Friday Liturgy at St Joseph's

Saturday 26th March 8.00pm Easter Vigil with the Christian Initiation of Elizabeth Kulik at St Cuthbert's.

Fr Chris hopes that parishioners will try as best as possible to be present at these key celebrations that express the essence of our faith. Please invite others to come along as well.

Holy Week

Fr Chris hopes that this Holy Week will be a time of blessing and grace as we reflect on the death and resurrection of Christ. Apart from attending the Triduum Services mentioned below, he hopes that you will have some time to reflect on the depth and richness of God's love revealed in Christ's self-giving and rising, considering what it means for you, your family, our parish and our world. May we pray and support each other on this journey with Christ, from Gethsemane to Golgotha and ending at the Empty Tomb. Fr Chris is very grateful to all those who have offered in some way to help us celebrate these important mysteries of our Faith.

Our Primary School's Celebrations of Holy Week

As you will see on the page with Mass time, both schools will be having their Holy Week Liturgical Celebrations on Maundy Thursday. St Joseph's School will have a Mass at 9.30am in St Joseph's Church. At 1.30pm, St Cuthbert's School will have a Holy Week Liturgy, starting at St Cuthbert's Church with a presentation on Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday. There will then be a procession to St Cuthbert's School where the Passion of the Lord will be presented in the school grounds. All are welcome to join both schools in their respective celebrations.

Holy Week Ministries

Please see lists at the back of the Church for people to sign for the various roles during Holy Week. Fr Chris hopes people will be able to contribute as much as possible.

Growing in Christ

The last of this Lenten Session to help us grow in knowing, understanding and sharing in the rich diversity of Christian Spirituality will be this Wednesday at 7pm at St Joseph's. On behalf of the parish, I would like to thank Brother Thomas Anthony who gave and very much embodied his reflection on Franciscan Spirituality. This Wednesday, March 23rd, Fr Chris will be reflecting on the 'Suffering Servant' passaged in the prophet Isaiah

Young Person's Council (YPC)

The parish safeguarding reps have helpfully brought to the attention of Fr Chris that there needs to be at least two adults with DBS clearance at all events with young people. If there are adults with DBS clearance who would like to be present at YPC events please let Fr Chris know. The next YPC event is Sunday April 3rd at 4.00pm at St Joseph's.

A Note from CAFOD'S regional representative David Cross

I hope this finds you in good health and spirit as we approach the great season of Easter. I have been asked to coordinate and develop the work of a CAFOD Hexham and Newcastle Advisory Group. The aim of the group is to offer advice and suggestions on developing CAFOD's work in the diocese of Hexham and Newcastle and to reflect more broadly upon the work of CAFOD across England and Wales. With this in mind I am emailing to invite you to attend an initial meeting of what we hope will become such a group for us here in Hexham and Newcastle. It is intended that the group will meet no more than four times a year and no less than twice a year. We hope that our initial meeting will take place on Thursday, 21 April from 7.00pm to 8.30pm at the CAFOD Hexham & Newcastle Volunteer Centre.

CAFOD Lunch

A total of £195-00 was raised at the Soup Lunch last Sunday. We also had £46-00 in CAFOD boxes which will be added to the grand total. Well done to all who contributed either soup or money.

CAFOD Family Fast Day

If you have a CAFOD Family Fast envelope please bring in this weekend.

Minsteracres Weekend Retreat - 3rd - 5th June 2016.

The theme this year is 'Blessed are the merciful'. The retreat will start with supper at 7pm on Friday evening and finish at 2pm after lunch on Sunday. The cost is £116.00 per person however there is a bursary fund to support people who would struggle to pay the full cost. A booking fee of £20.00 per person is required. Special dietary requirements can be catered for. For more information and bookings, please contact Kath Kenny on 2577041

A Poor Church for the Church?

Fr Chris found the day conference to be very worthwhile as to how the Church responds to the Pope's call. Copies of his reflection on the day can be found in the respective porches

Jumble sale

There will be a parish jumble sale on Saturday 16th April 11:00am, at St Cuthbert's. Good clean jumble required sorry no electrical goods.

Africa Mass

This takes place every last Sunday of the month at St Joseph's in Gateshead: 2pm start, followed by refreshments and (children's) choir practice the preceding Friday; all are welcome. The next celebration will be Easter Sunday.

Cedarwood Trust

The Cabinet of North Tyneside will be discussing the offer of the Cedarwood Trust to purchase the Meadowell Centre building on Avon Avenue at their meeting at the Council Cobalt Offices on Monday 14th March at 6.00pm. Fr Chris will be present, anyone else who wishes to show their support is welcome to do so at this meeting.

Tyneside Circle Newman Association

Next talk: "Christianity and Islam: Condemned to Conflict?" A talk by Joe James, from Star of the sea Parish. At St Mary's RC Church Hall, Farringdon Road, Cullercoats NE30 3EY at 7.30 Wednesday 30th March. All welcome. Members OF the AGM is at 7.00

Liturgy and Formation

Next meeting of liturgy and formation group will be Wednesday at March 30th. 7-30.pm. The main topic of discussion will be the 24 prayer vigil of May 12-13th

School Chaplaincy Vacancy

The Pax Christi Multi Academy Trust based in Bedlington and Cramlington has a vacancy for a school chaplain. Please poster at the back for more information

Diocesan Job Vacancies

Lay Co-ordinator Development Officer

A unique and exciting opportunity has arisen for a full-time Lay Co-ordinator Development Officer to research, develop and implement a programme for the training and formation of Lay Co-ordinators in the Diocese. 3 year fixed term contract. For an informal chat about this role please contact Fr Jim O'Keefe on 0191 243 3304.

Data Analyst/Manager

A temporary Data Analyst/Manager, full or part-time, is required to analyse quantitative and qualitative data from a range of questionnaires arising from the Forward Together in Hope project, summarise findings and produce high quality written reports. Please contact Tony Sacco for more information on 0191 243 3304.

Further information and details on how to apply are available on our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

Cleaner Vacancy

St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle requires a part-time cleaner to provide cleaning services in the Cathedral and Cathedral house. The post holder will have the ability to provide a high standard of cleaning with a good understanding of basic Health and Safety Regulations, including COSHH. 16 hours per week. An application pack is available from: www.rcdhn.org.uk Tel.0191 243 3301.

Cedarwood Trust

The Cabinet of North Tyneside agreed that the Cedarwood Trust could purchase the 'Avenues' on Avon Avenue subject to legal requirements being met. If all goes to plan then the trust will move out of the present offices which belong to the council and move in later this year. The present offices will be converted into residential accommodation. This is a great opportunity for the Cedarwood and Fr Chris hope that there will be opportunities for the parish to work with the trust for the good of the area

Sleep Easy Event

A big thank you to all those who have supported YMCA North Tyneside's Sleep easy event. Especially to those who braved the elements. If you were kind enough to sponsor those from our parish who took part, then please leave your sponsorship in the baskets next to the sponsor forms. Many thanks Ian Pearson.

Wallsend Floral Art Club's Golden Anniversary

Demonstration by John Dalton will be held on Wednesday 27th April at 7:00pm at the Lindisfarne Club, Wallsend. Tickets are £7.00. Contact Marion Todd on 0191 2624727.

Missionary Red Boxes

Could all those who have the APF Missionary Red Boxes, please hand them in as soon as possible to be counted.