

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

Fr Martin Stempczyk
St Mary's Presbytery
Farringdon Road
Cullercoats.
NE30 3EY

Tel: (0191) 2513770



Cluster Contacts
St Cuthbert's (Tel: 2573408)
Fr Christopher Hughes
(Tel: 2575801)
Mgr Andrew Faley
(Tel: 2528021)
Fr David Nixon Hosp Chaplain
(Tel: 293 4268 or 07918638013)

Parish Email: cullercoats.stmary@rcdhn.org.uk
Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle – Reg Charity No: 1143450
St Mary's Church Hall Bookings – The Presbytery ☎ 251 3770
St Oswin's Meeting Room Bookings – Marcia ☎ 258 2478

Cluster Website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk
Diocesan Website: www.rcdhn.org.uk
Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/diocesehn
Twitter: [Twitter@diocesehn](https://twitter.com/diocesehn)

2nd Sunday of Easter Year C – 3rd April 2016

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	3 rd	2 nd Sun of Easter	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Acts 5: 12-16, Apoc 1: 9-19 John 20: 19-31
			St M	11.00am	Jenny Laggan	
Mon	4 th	Annunciation of the Lord	St M	9.30am	Fr Aidan Pickering (MH)	Is 7:10-14.8:10, Heb10:4-10, Lk1:26-38
Tue	5 th	St Vincent Ferrer	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Acts 4: 32-37, John 3: 7-15
Wed	6 th	Weekday of Easter	St O	9.30am	Maureen Sarginson	Acts 5: 17-26, John 3: 16-21
Thu	7 th	John Baptist de la Salle	St O	9.30am	Requiem Mass: John Hutchinson	
Fri	8 th	Weekday of Easter	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Acts 5: 34-42, John 6: 1-15
Sat	9 th	Weekday of Easter	St O	9.30am	David Houston	Acts 6: 1-7, John 6: 16-21
Sun	10 th	3 rd Sun of Easter	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	Acts 5: 27-41, Apoc 5: 11-14
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	John 21: 1-19

SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY: 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 April: New list now available. *Previous entries will need to be re-signed on sheet.*

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of **John Hutchinson** who died recently. His body will be received into St Oswin's church on **Wed 6 April at 7.00pm.**

Anniversaries: Mary McGee, Sally Chater, Violet McKie, Leslie Hyett, Gerry Mason, John Graham, Walter Gibbons, Sylvia Rackham, Harriet Butler, Hannah Pickering, and Ronald Banks.

The Retiring Collection – today is for the Sick and Retired Priests.

Forward Together in Hope – 'Our Journey So Far' leaflet will be distributed, after mass, Today.

DBS Checks – all parishioners whose DBS certificate is over 3 years old are required to submit a new application. We ask that you please process these as soon as possible.

The next Cluster Baptism Preparation Course will take place here at St Mary's church on **Thurs 7 April, 7-9pm**, for those who have already enrolled for this.

'Memories of a Teenage Refugee': Talk by **Gay Keenaghan** in St Mary's Hall on **Tues 12 April at 7pm. All welcome** to what should be a very interesting evening.

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.

Day of Reflection for Women - with Sr Anne McCarthy on **Sat 9 April 10.30am-3.30pm** at St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre. Please see poster for full details.

Reflections on the Spiritual & Corporal Works of Mercy – as part of Year of Mercy, Karen Kilby from University of Durham will offer reflection on the 'Spiritual Works of Mercy' on **Weds 20 April 11am** in St Mary's Cathedral. Also on **27 April 11am** in St Mary's Cathedral, Fr Chris Hughes will offer reflection on the 'Corporal Works of Mercy.' Please see poster.

St. George's Day Concert in aid of Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Mary's Cathedral at **7.00pm on Sat 23 April**. Featuring Newcastle Male Chorus, the Gibside Singers and soloist Philip Tait (Cornet). Tickets **£5.00** available from St. Joseph's Home (Tel. 0191 2731279 or the Cathedral Cloister Café.

First Reading

Acts 5:12-16

This tells of the high regard in which the apostles were held by the ordinary people, and of the cures they worked for the sick.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117

Response: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end,'
Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.'
2. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.
3. O Lord, grant us salvation: O Lord grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord:
the Lord God is our Light.

Second Reading

Apocalypse 1:9-13.17-19

John is bidden to write a message one which has meaning for the Church until the end of time.

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live forever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31

By seeing and touching the wounds of his risen Lord, Thomas the doubter is cured of his unbelief.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

When has your faith in the living Christ helped you overcome fear?