FIRST READING Kings 19:16. 19-21

Elisha rose and followed Elijah.

The Lord said to Elijah, 'You are to anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king of Israel, and to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.' Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

**Responsorial Psalm** (to be read by the whole congregation together) **Response:** O Lord, it is you who are my portion.

Psalm 15

- Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
   I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'
  - O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. R/
- 3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.

  For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay.
- I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart.
   I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand. I shall stand firm.
- 4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever.

**SECOND READING** 

**Galatians 5:1. 13-18** 

You were called to liberty.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community. Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

Gospel Acclamation Samuel 3:9. John 6:68

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village. As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' Another to whom he said, 'Follow me', replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say goodbye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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#### Sunday, 26th June 2016 – 13th Sunday of the Year Masses. Devotions and Services St Cuthbert's Church St Joseph's Church Saturday, 25th June 5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Ellen Quinn Sunday, 26th June 11:00am Mass: Burns Family 9:25am The Angelus 13th Sunday of the Year 9:30am Mass: Monday, 27th June 9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion Tuesday, 28th June 9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion Wednesday, 29th June 11:00am Mass: Jimmy McDonald 9:30am Mass: Gladys Mary Bunting Sts Peter & Paul Apostles 7:00pm Mass: Patrick & Sheila Moss (Anniversary) Thursday, 30th June 9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament First Martyrs of the Church of Rome 9:30am Word & Communion Friday, 1st July 9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July 5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Peter & Paul Whalen Sunday, 3rd July 11:00am Mass: Brian Burdis 9:25am The Angelus 14th Sunday of the Year 9:30am Mass: Michael Falla

#### **Forward Together In Hope**

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.

#### **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, 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, Florence Redpath and Mary Wood. We pray for Ellen Quinn and Betty Fenby who have died recently and all whose anniversaries are at this time.

# **Holyday of Obligation**

This coming Wednesday is a Holyday of Obligation for the Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul. Masses will be 9.30 am at St Joseph's and 11.00am and 7.00pm at St Cuthbert's. Fr Chris would like to offer his thanks to Fr Patrick O'Connell who has kindly agreed to say these Masses while Fr Chris is on holiday

# Mass of Thanksgiving and Farewell to Sr Maureen

A Mass of Thanksgiving for the work of Sr. Maureen in the parish will take place on Friday August 12 at 7.00pm. A reception will take place in the hall after the Mass. All are welcome.

### A Day of Reflection for Liturgical Lay Leaders

This will be held in St. Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, Newcastle on Monday 27 June 2016.

# A Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Led by Pat Kennedy. Saturday 2nd July 2016, 10.30am - 3.30pm St. Aloysius, Prince Consort Road, HEBBURN, NE31 1BE.

#### Day of Recollection for Catechists

Saturday 2 July 2016 10.00am - 3.00pm All catechists are welcome at St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, Newcastle, NE15 7PY. The day is with Rev John McLoughlin, Episcopal Vicar for Formation in the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

#### Pilgrimage to Ladyewell, near Preston, Lancashire.

This is taking place on Wednesday, 29th June (Ss Peter and Paul). Pick-up points will be Peterlee, Heworth Metro, Central station Newcastle, St Mark's Westerhope and Hexham near St Mary's church. The cost is approx. £15 but it depends on numbers. Contact Jose Blay a.s.a.p. on 0191 2678693 or e-mail: josephablay114@gmail.com.

#### **Teatime with CAFOD**

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July, CAFOD have asked the parish to host one its partners, Takura Gwatinyanya, from Zimbabwe who will be speaking about the work CAFOD has done to help. This will be at St Cuthbert's from 5.30-7pm with light refreshments provided. All are welcome

### **Lourdes Pilgrimage**

Further to a request from Fr Peter for nurses and assistants to help with Lourdes, I have also received an appeal from Fr Michael McCoy for young people to take part in the Lourdes Pilgrimage for this year. Application forms for the Pilgrimage for young people are available from him – email – frmccoy@gmail.com or phone 0191 5342346. The Catenians and the Duchess of Leeds fund may also be able to help with some of the costs.

To book or for more information:

Web: www.coretlumenchristi.org

Email: stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org

Tel: 016973 45623

#### Pilgrimage to Lourdes: seats available

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes travels on Friday 29th July, flying from Newcastle Airport, direct to Lourdes Tarbes Airport. There are still places available on the flights from Newcastle. Prices are inclusive of direct return flight, seven nights full board accommodation, en-suite rooms, and a full spiritual programme and start at £672 up to £899. Single rooms and Insurance are extra costs. For Booking Forms please contact 01732 886666 or for further information contact 01670 513410.

# Young Person's Council

YPC discussed the following

- There will be a YPC BBQ on Holy Island on July 24th. Mass at 3.00pm Please see list at the back of the Church for people to sign up. Adult Volunteers to assist will be welcomed. Young people £5, adults £10
- Plans to make the back garden into a wild life garden.
   Local council and Groundworks to be consulted
- A liturgy to be prepared by the young people for a Churches Together Service at St Cuthbert's on August 28th

Next meeting Sunday 10th July at St Joseph's at 4.00pm

#### A New Deacon in the Cluster

Congratulations to the Rev Terry McCann from Immaculate Mary Church in the Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea parish who was ordained on June 18<sup>th</sup> as a Permanent Deacon in St Mary's Cathedral by Bishop Cunningham. We wish Terry every grace and blessing for his ministry in our cluster of parishes.

#### **Trinity Shop**

The parish has just received the most quarterly cheque from the Trinity Shop. Our share in the profits of the last three months was £915.78. The parish is very grateful to all of our parishioners who work in the shop on a Thursday or who contribute in anyway. Your hard work and commitment as well as contributing to ecumenism in the area is also very fruitful for the parish, many thanks.

#### **Parish Accounts**

Fr Chris would like to offer his thanks to the finance committee for producing a summary of this year's accounts for the parish. He has decided that in spirit of transparency that a copy of the summary is available to parishioners. He has been informed that in the past, copies of the accounts have been left in the car parks, hence the reluctance for hard printed copies to be available. Fr Chris is very happy for copies to be taken away to be read at home, though he would be grateful if care could be taken of them. Please approach him or any other members of the committee if you have any queries.

Fr Chris would also like to take the opportunity to express his thanks to John Smiles who has stepped down from the Finance Committee and from being the Health and Safety Officer for St Cuthbert's. Our thanks to him for his commitment and service to the parish in this important area of parish life. Our thanks to Sarah McManus who is willing to take on the role as Health and Safety Officer for St Cuthbert's church, presbytery and grounds.

#### The European Referendum Debate

As I type out these words I am not aware of the result of the referendum. What is clear is that there will be some people delighted with the result and some consisting of a significant minority of the population who will be bitterly disappointed. The debate has raised some important questions as to our identity and our values as nation. What is important is that we work together for the common good whatever our position is in Europe. The tragic killing of Jo Cox MP has shown us that violence is always lurking underneath and can be destructive of democratic politics, but it must never have the final say. Whatever is the result and whatever our response it is to it, may we have a strong sense of purpose to change our society and our world for the common good inspired by the grace of the Spirit and the vison of the Kingdom of God proclaimed and embodied by Christ.

#### The Dominicans 800th Anniversary

As part of the celebrations of the 800th anniversary of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), the rising young choreographer Eliot Smith, a Catholic and a native of the North-East, has been commissioned to create a dance work on the life of St. Dominic, our founder. Spirit of Fire: the Passion of Dominic Guzman will be performed by Eliot Smith Company at St Dominic's Priory church, Newcastle, on Friday 1st July at 7.30 pm. The dancers will interpret St. Dominic's very bodily ways of prayer, his passionate concern for the poor and merciful preaching, themes still so relevant to the Church and the world today. The performance will include audience participation, as the dancers lead the audience in candlelit procession from the garden to the church, and include music by Fr Dominic White OP. Tickets: £10 or £5 (concessions), available from www.eliotsmithcompany.com or on the door.

### **Churches Together**

The Service for Christian Unity is this Sunday 26th June Holy Saviour's Church at 6.00pm. The preacher will be Rev. Martin Jacques, who will also lead the service. The collection will go to the work of the Nite Bite.

# **Could you foster Children?**

FOSTER CARES LTD is a family run Independent Fostering Agency based in the North East. They are looking for Foster Carers to provide much needed support to many local vulnerable children who need a loving, caring, stable home. In return they offer excellent rates of pay, holiday allowances, respite care, support groups and social work support 24 hours a day from a very stable and experienced team. If you have experience of caring for children, a spare room, and room in your heart, please contact is on 0800 488 0081 or visit www.fostercares.co.uk

# **First Holy Communion Celebration**

All the feedback concerning First Holy Communion Celebration has been very positive. Fr Chris would like to express his thanks to all who helped and contributed in anyway. We continue to pray for these children who have made a very important step in their journey of faith

#### **Rotas for Ministries and Roles**

Please see in both Churches lists for various roles and ministries in the Mass. When we gather together to celebrate the Eucharist, a number of roles need to carried out from welcoming people as they come into the Church, to serving at the altar, to reading, taking the collection, bringing up the gifts, Special Minister of the Eucharist, Children's Liturgy music ministry, serving tea and coffee and counting the collection. That is ten different roles for Mass at the week-end! Fr Chris hopes that every parishioner would be willing to volunteer for just one of these roles. Please carefully consider what role you would be willing to do

#### **African Communities Trip to Holy Island**

The African Catholic Community are having a day trip to Holy Island on Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>. The coach will leave at 9.30 am at St Joseph's (Gateshead). Mass at 11am at St Aidan's Holy Island, Shared lunch in the Reading Room after Mass, followed by (hopefully, a talk) as well as family games / activities. Back to Gateshead around 9pm. Registrations by email with Bro Attah.

#### Freedom from Torture

This organisation will be giving a talk about their work at 7:45 at St Charles' Gosforth on Tuesday 28th June.

#### **Bonus Ball**

Bonus Ball money to be paid next Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, £5.00.