

**FIRST READING****Lord, do not pass your servant by.****Genesis 18:1-10**

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My Lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

**Responsorial Psalm (to be read by the whole congregation together)****R/ The just will live in the presence of the Lord.****Psalm 14**

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| <p>1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?<br/>He who walks without fault;<br/>he who acts with justice<br/>and speaks the truth from his heart;<br/>he who does not slander with his tongue.</p> | <p>2. He who does no wrong to his brother,<br/>who casts no slur on his neighbour,<br/>who holds the godless in disdain,<br/>but honours those who fear the Lord.</p> |
| <p>3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;<br/>who takes no interest on a loan<br/>and accepts no bribes against the innocent.<br/>Such a man will stand firm for ever.</p>                            |   |

**SECOND READING****A mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to God's saints.****Colossians 1:24-28**

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL****Martha welcomed Jesus into her house. Mary has chosen the better part.****Luke 10:38-42**

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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**Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July 2016 – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

	Masses, Devotions and Services	
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup> July Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<b>5:00-5:30pm:</b> Confessions <b>5.30pm Mass:</b>	
Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup> July 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year	<b>11:00am Mass:</b>	<b>9:25am</b> The Angelus <b>9:30am Mass:</b>
Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>No Service</b>	
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July		<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b>
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b> Kerry O'Neill	
Thursday, 21 <sup>st</sup> July		<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am</b> Whole School Mass
Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> July St Mary Magdalene	<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b>	
Saturday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> July St Bridget	<b>5:00-5:30pm:</b> Confessions <b>5.30pm Mass:</b> Mary Jeffrey	<b>9:30am Mass</b>
Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup> July 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year	<b>11:00am Mass:</b>	<b>9:25am</b> The Angelus <b>9:30am Mass:</b>

**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, Mary Wood, Patricia Taws and Billy Hearon. We pray for all those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

#### Total Offertory Collection

10<sup>th</sup> July - £784.58

Sea Sunday - £166.74

#### 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<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm. A reception will take place in the hall after the Mass. 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](mailto: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:

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#### Pilgrimage to Lourdes: seats available

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes travels on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### 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.fostercare.co.uk](http://www.fostercare.co.uk)

#### Tyneside Circle Newman Association.

Next talk Bede of Jarrow; Man of the Bible" By Bernard Robinson at St Mary's RC Church Hall, Farrington Road, Cullercoats, NE30 3EY at 7.30 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. All welcome.

#### 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 be 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.

#### The Year of Mercy

Two of the main diocesan events for the Year of Mercy are coming to our cluster and parish later this month. As part of the Diocesan Voices of Mercy programme based on the Corporeal Works of Mercy, we are delighted to be welcoming Alison Gelder, CEO of Housing Justice (the national voice of Christian action to prevent homelessness and bad housing) to St. Cuthbert's, Wednesday 20 July 2016 at 7.00pm. Hear Alison speak about her work and then reflect what we can do for those homeless or without secure accommodation.

On the following day, Thursday 21 July, there will be deanery celebration of Mercy at 7.00pm at St Edward's Whitley Bay. It will be an opportunity for the deanery to celebrate, reflect and share in God's gift of mercy for all. This week-end there will be members of the Diocesan Evangelisation team who will offer a few words at the end of Mass regarding this mercy event with information cards for you all. We welcome them to the parish

#### Moving Forward Together in Hope

As Fr Chris stated last week, the parish has now received a response from the diocese of the questionnaire the parish filled in last year. There are copies available at the back of the Church. Fr Chris would urge as many of the parishioners as possible to read the report. It is a very encouraging and affirming response, which acknowledges the many gifts we have as a parish community. The next step in the process is for us to explore with neighbouring parishes as to how we work with even closer partnerships than we have already. To help with the next stage, you are asked to complete the form at the back of the leaflet 'Imagine New Ways...' Fr Chris will be involved with discussions with clergy in the deanery. We will also have an open meeting for the parish sometime in September.

#### Lists of Ministries

The list for ministries and roles will be removed this week-end at St Joseph's, so please look at the lists and see if you assist the life of the parish in any way. The lists in St Cuthbert's will stay for another couple of weeks. At St Cuthbert's it is the convention that if you wish to continue carrying out a role you need to sign the list as well. New volunteers in both church will be most appreciated. Please seriously consider how you can contribute to the life of the liturgical life of the parish

#### Celebration of Marriage

On Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11.00am at St Joseph's, Carl Cramman and Samantha Myers, will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. We promise them our prayers as they prepare to celebrate their wedding day and married life together.

#### Young Person's Council

The YPC met on Sunday. It discussed the following:

- To help the Social Committee for the Hog Roast on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Ecumenical Service at St Cuthbert's on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Plans for the Liturgy are progressing well. Aesha and Marti who are preparing the Liturgy need volunteers for the drama they are Liturgy for 28<sup>th</sup> August.
- Transforming the grounds at St Joseph's. There is a meeting with the North Tyneside's Biodiversity Officer, Jackie Hunt, on July 28<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm. All young people are welcome
- The BBQ on Holy Island on July 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Aesha and Marty are willing to represent YPC on the Liturgy and Formation Group.
- Next meeting will be on August 7<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon at St Cuthbert's.

#### Leavers Mass for St Cuthbert and St Joseph's Schools

Both the Leavers Masses for our primary schools will be on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

For St Joseph's, the Mass will be in St Joseph's Church at 9.30am. For St Cuthbert's, the Mass will be in St Cuthbert's School at 1.30pm. All parishioners are welcome at either Mass. Fr Chris would also like to take the opportunity to express his thanks to both schools for the Mass on July 6<sup>th</sup> where the two schools came together at St Cuthbert's. It was wonderful to see over 500 school children together and to see the two schools closely co-operating together

#### End of the School Year

At the end of this week, our schools begin their well-earned rest and summer vacation. One of the many joys Fr Chris has experienced in his first year as a parish priest here has been the quality of the three Catholic schools in the parish- St Joseph's Primary, St Cuthbert's Primary and St Thomas More Academy. The dedication and commitment of the staff, the strong Catholic ethos, and the enthusiasm and welcome of the pupils have been clearly demonstrated in each of the three schools. Fr Chris would like to wish all the staff and pupils in all three schools a very restful and enjoyable break, renewed to face the opportunities of a new academic year. Thank-you for your hard work in the past academic year.

Fr Chris would also like to take the opportunity to wish Mrs Diane Donkin, the Head Teacher of St Thomas More's Academy and Mrs Carol Jewitt, the Head Teacher of St Joseph's every joy and blessing as they begin their retirement. Our thanks and respect to them both for the vital and enhancing leadership they have given to their respective schools. We also offer our prayers and best wishes to their respective successors, Mr David Watson at St Thomas More's and Miss Claire Hedley at St Joseph's, as they prepare to take over the responsibilities of leading their schools. Fr Chris would also like to offer his best wishes to all staff who leaving the schools at the end of the year. It has been very clear that Miss Lyons, having been the nursery teacher at St Joseph's from 1972, will be sorely missed in the school as she begins her retirement. We wish her every blessing in her retirement and thank her for her dedication and commitment to the nursery over the last 44 years!

#### Trinity Shop

The Trinity Charity Shop is need of new stock. Any donations of clothing would be most welcome. The shop on Wallsend Road in Chirton, opposite St Joseph's Primary School, is an important source of income for the parish.

#### Vocation Discernment

FOR THOSE THINKING ABOUT PRIESTHOOD

(AGED 16 AND OVER)

EVENINGS OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LISTEN TO SPEAKERS TALK ABOUT THEIR OWN DISCERNMENT, FAITH JOURNEYS AND VOCATIONS

Wednesday 21 September, 19 October 2016, 23 November, 21 December 2016, 25 January, 22 February, 22 March, 3 May, 24 May and 21 June 2017

St Mary's Cathedral at 6.30pm - 8.30pm

A meal will follow these evenings of prayer and reflection.

Further details are available from the Diocesan Vocations

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#### Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) 2016-2017

The CCRS is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The CCRS course programme is now available for 2016-2017 can be accessed at [www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses\\_ccrs.php](http://www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses_ccrs.php)

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the CCRS programme is welcome to attend the free CCRS information evening at St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY on Monday 12 September 2016 from 5.00pm - 6.30pm. If you would like to attend this event or for further information, please contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocesan Department for Education on 0191 243 3313.

Fr Chris would further add that this is a great opportunity for people who want study and reflect on their faith. Please see notice at the back of Church.

#### BBC Songs of Praise

The BBC are holding Songs of Praise recording Session at Brunswick Methodist Church in the Centre of Newcastle, opposite Grey's Monument, NE1 7BJ on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Please see poster for more details

#### Nite Bite

Nite Bite are desperate for contributions of non-perishable goods as they are not receiving many supplies. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Kindly leave any contributions in the box at the back of either church. Thank you for your continued support.