

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

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22nd Sunday of Year C – 28th August 2016

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	28 th	22 nd Sun of Year C	St O	9.30am	Frank O'Callaghan	<i>Ecc 3: 17-29, Heb 12: 18-24 Luke 14: 1-14</i>
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	
Mon	29 th	Passion of John Baptist	St M	10.30am	Celebrant's Intention	<i>1Cor 2: 1-5, Luke 4: 16-30</i>
Tue	30 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>	<i>1Cor 2: 10-16, Luke 4: 31-37</i>
Wed	31 st	St Aidan	St O	9.30am	Laura Hails (AH)	<i>1Cor 3: 1-9, Matt 7: 24-29</i>
Thu	1 st	Weekday	St M	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	<i>1Cor 3: 18-23, Luke 5: 1-11</i>
Fri	2 nd	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Laura Gilbert	<i>1Cor 4: 1-5, Luke 5: 33-39</i>
Sat	3 rd	Gregory the Great	St O	9.30am	Dennis Dale	<i>1 Thes 2: 2-8, Matt 16:13-19</i>
Sun	4 th	23 rd Sun of Year C	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Wis 9: 13-18, Phil 9-17 Luke 14; 25-33</i>
			St M	11.00am	Steve & Wynn Shippen	

SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - *and available on request*
(Rosary at St Oswin's (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 August: Jim and Wiline McAllister, Mary Wrightson, June Barnsley, Lyn Johnson, Brenda Miller, Barbara Hunter, Ann Cannon, Maureen O'Meara, Norman Edge and Betty Briggs.

Anniversaries: Bridget Matthews, Ann O'Kane, Esther King, Ellen Russell, John Marriott, Veronica Wigham, Walter Baharie, Henry E Swaddle, Alan Gilroy, Gloria Brannon, John Patterson, Dennis Dale

Bank Holiday Monday: Mass at St Mary's will be at 10.30am

APF Mission Boxes: Promoters will shortly be collecting boxes for the September Quarter.

Bidding Prayers: If anyone is interested in composing the bidding prayers for Sunday masses, would they please speak to Fr Martin? Please note that training will be given.

St Edward's, Whitley Bay 7pm Sat 24 Sept: Concert in aid of Justice & Peace Open Gate Prison Project by Newcastle Male Chorus £6 (inc Wine). Tickets available from Star of the Sea Parish Office. Full Details on Poster on Church Notice Board.

Catechesis in the Mission of the Church: A course for catechists and those interested in becoming a catechist involving 18 evening sessions led by a variety of speakers on a range of topics including vocation and identity, theology of the church, and specific instruction on individual sacraments. Time for prayer and reflection will be included in each session. The programme booklet is available to read at back of church. Further info; http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/formation/form_catechist.php

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies: 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. Anyone who is interested in learning more about this is welcome to attend the free CCRS information evening at St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY on **Mon 12 Sept 5.00pm - 6.30pm**. If you would like to attend please see poster on noticeboard.

Forward Together in Hope: please read the latest leaflet and to return the 'tear-off' slip to the box at back of church, as soon as possible. Copies of the 'Observations on Parish Questionnaire' are also available for collection at the back of church. The following documents are available from Diocesan website; '*Exploring the Way with our Neighbours*', '*From Parish to Partnership*', '*Challenges and Hopes*', '*What our Clergy are saying*', '*The Way we See It*', '*Some Food for Thought*', A copy of each of these are displayed on the noticeboard.

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

Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20.28-29

There is praise for the person who is humble

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud mans malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sages dream.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 67

Response: In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom.
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain;
when your people were starved you gave them new life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-19.22-24

This contrasts Mount Sinai, where the old covenant was made, and Mount Zion, which stands for the heavenly Jerusalem.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1.7-14

Jesus urges his followers not to covet places of honour, and always to act out of unselfish motives.

On a Sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?