

Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

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24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year C 10th & 11th September 2016

PARISH NOTICES

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. Amen*



FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE: PARISH OPEN MEETING, 7.30PM, 29TH SEPTEMBER, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH

There will be a Parish Open Meeting at 7.30pm on 29th September at Immaculate Heart Church, to explore partnership with our neighbouring parishes. The meeting will begin with prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by refreshments and discussion. Further details will be available nearer the time of the meeting. All are welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED

- ◇ We pray for Kathleen Dowds of Deneside Court, Whitley Bay, who died on 1st September. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, at 10.00am on Tuesday 13th September followed by cremation at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- ◇ We pray for Christine Armstrong of Elmwood Grove, Whitley Bay, who died on 2nd September. Her Funeral Service will be celebrated at West Road Crematorium, Newcastle, at 1.15pm on Friday 16th September. May she rest in peace. Amen.

MARRIAGES

- ◇ Congratulations to Keith Rodgers and Barbara Ann Carter who are to be married on Friday 16th September at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church.
- ◇ Congratulations to Helen Louise Jackson and Gavin Wilson who are to be married on Friday 23rd September at St Edward's Church.

SECOND COLLECTION

This Sunday is a special day of prayer for those involved in education and a special collection will be taken for Catholic education.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

On 12th September in the parish rooms at St Edward's with a 'Welcome Back' Coffee Morning and everyone is welcome.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will take place on Friday 16th September. Jim Gunning will lead a 7 mile walk from Wolsingham past the famous Elephant Trees. This walk is mainly on good paths with spectacular moorland views over Weardale, two short climbs at the beginning and end and the rest of the route is flat and easy going. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church car park at 9.30am. Further details from Jim on 0191 2535135 or 07932 696795.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

If parishioners have any queries they wish to raise with the PPC they should contact one of their Church council members to bring it to their attention before the next meeting on Monday 19th September.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Our big Macmillan coffee morning will be on Tuesday 20th September this year. Our Lady Star of the Sea parish have a reputation for the best Macmillan coffee morning in the area and we want to continue, and enhance, that reputation this year. So, if you are a baker, cake eater, coffee drinker, tea fiend, or just like a natter with friends please come along and help this excellent cause. The date is Tuesday 20th September, the time is 10.45am and the place is Immaculate Heart of Mary church. All donations of cake, scones, biscuits etc will be very welcome.

JUSTICE AND PEACE

A note for your diary, one of the most prestigious choirs, the Newcastle Male Chorus, have agreed to help our Justice and Peace Group to raise funds for the Open Gate Prison Project. The concert will be held on Saturday 24th September 2016 at 7.00pm in St Edward's Church. The cost, including wine, is £6.00. It promises to be a wonderful social occasion and a great opportunity to help. Guest soloist is the very popular Kath Ireland. Tickets available from members of the Justice and Peace Group or the parish office.

GIFT AID

Thank you to everyone who Gift Aids their donations to Our Lady Star of the Sea parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. There are letters to be collected at the back of our Churches this weekend. If you would like to join the Gift Aid scheme or have any questions, please contact June Leeming (Immaculate Heart of Mary Church) on 0191 2521516; Michael Reynolds (St Edward's Church) on 0191 2902340 and Michael Wilson (Our Lady and St Edmund's Church) on 0191 2522903.

OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S 100 CLUB, OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS

The annual subscription of £12.00 is due this month. There are a few numbers available, new members would be welcome to join. The four monthly prizes are £20, £15, £10 and £5. Contact Marie Rooney, telephone 0191 2534518.

OTHER NOTICES

CAFOD

On Wednesday 14th September, there will be a CAFOD Harvest Fast Day briefing at 7.00pm until 8.30pm at St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle. This will be an opportunity to hear about CAFOD's work in Bolivia and how we can get involved. It would be great if each parish could ask one or two people to attend but anyone is welcome to come along.

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM: FLAME SATURDAY 11TH MARCH 2017

Bookings are now open for this national gathering of Catholic young people at Wembley Arena. 20 coaches will leave from local pick-up points, based around our 20 Catholic Secondary Schools and 18 deaneries. This invitation is for Year 10 and above. The cost per person is £40.00 which includes coach travel and Wembley ticket. Booking forms and information have been sent to all parishes and schools. Further information from YMT on 01207 592244, www.ymt.org or email: admin@ymt.org.

COMING UP AT MINSTERACRES

This Autumn our retreats have an arty theme. Why not join librettist and retreat leader Euan Tait for 'Rediscovering mercy: Elgar's dream of Gerontius' 28th – 30th October, or Janette Blakemore's 'Compassion in every step' weekend of circle dancing 21st – 23rd October.

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 10th September	9.30am Matthew Wynn England (IE) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 11th September 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Brenda Brady (MD)		9.30am Thanksgiving (Robson Family)
Monday 12th September THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY	9.30am Julia Murphy	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 13th September ST JOHN CHRYSOSTUM	10.00am Requiem Mass, Kathleen Dowds 7.00pm Word & Communion	10.00am George Burn (HS)	
Wednesday 14th September THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	9.30am Word & Communion 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Bernie Moat (JT)	9.30am Suzanne Allan
Thursday 15th September OUR LADY OF SORROWS	9.30am Tony, Alice & Bernard Joyce (J&MR) 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Jim McGuinness (JT)	
Friday 16th September SS CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Michael Horne	12.00pm Wedding Mass— Keith Rodgers and Barbara Carter
Saturday 17th September ST ROBERT BELLARMINE	9.30am Thanksgiving (MS) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Bond & Aitchison Family (CB)	
Sunday 18th September 25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am People of the Parish		9.30am Coyle & Ramsay Family (TR)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD
Sunday 18th September, 11.00am Mass	Elizabeth Monica Sutton (Betsy)

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: Maureen Bell, Norma Smith, John Jameson, Steve Heywood, Charlie McCuigan, Kevin York, Anne Marie Gormley, Ray Blackburn, Cameron Lindsay, Alice Currell, Judy Helmsley, Tatyana Zynovieva, Sean Carroll and Jim Ferguson. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Bernie Moat, Tony Moll, Kathleen Dowds, George Sinton and Christine Armstrong.

Hospital Chaplaincies

North Tyneside General Hospital, Rake Lane, North Shields & **Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital**, Northumbria Way, Cramlington: Contact Fr Lee Barrett on 01670 712476 until a new hospital Chaplain is appointed.

RVI, Freeman & Walkergate: Please phone Fr Andrew Shaw at St Andrew's, Worswick Street, Newcastle on 0191 2321892.

Newcastle General Hospital: Sister Teresa, 0191 2336161 ext. 28465.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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Priests' telephone numbers

Monsignor Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Father Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Father Chris Hughes 0191 2575801
 Deacon Frank Forde and Deacon Terry McGann contact via Parish Office 0191 2527066.

Parish Office opening hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am—12.00noon. For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - telephone 0191 2527066 or email to parishofficeolss@btconnect.com
Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 12 noon on Thursdays.

READINGS AT MASS
24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 11TH SEPTEMBER 2016

The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First reading

Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!"' the Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.' But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: "I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever."' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Response: I will leave this place and go to my father.

Psalm 50:3-4,12-13,17,19

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| 1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. | 3. O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit.
A humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. |
| 2 A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. | |

Second reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 15:1-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.' He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. 'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. 'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate. 'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening." 'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'" The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you. Lord Jesus Christ.**

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.