

FIRST READING*Against those who 'buy up the poor for money'.*

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.' The word of the Lord.

Amos 8:4-7**Responsorial Psalm** (to be read by the whole congregation together)**Response: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.****Psalm 112**

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| <p>1. Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore!</p> | <p>2. High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth?</p> |
| <p>3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dung heap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people.</p> | |

SECOND READING*There should be prayers offered for everyone to God, who wants everyone to be saved.***Timothy 2:1-8**

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Acclamation

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

GOSPEL*You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.***Luke 16:1-13***Jesus said to his disciples,*

'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes." Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." 'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. 'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity.

The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

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Sunday, 18th September 2016 – 25th Sunday of the Year

Masses, Devotions and Services		
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday, 17 th September	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: People of the Parish	9:30am Mass: Mass of Thanksgiving of 5 years of marriage
Sunday, 18 th September 25 th Sunday of the Year	11:00am Mass: Bill & Neil Henderson	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Michael Falla
Monday, 19 th September	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday, 20 th September		9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Private Intention(J.A.)
Wednesday, 21 st September	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Grace Bradley	
Thursday, 22 nd September		9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Friday, 23 rd September	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:	
Saturday, 24 th September	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: People of the Parish	9:30am Mass: Jackie Hartwell
Sunday, 25 th September 26 th Sunday of the Year	11:00am Mass: Frank Houghton	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: In Thanksgiving (M&F)

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, Kathleen Lavery, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Patricia Taws, Shane Aberintos and Stephen Hyde. We pray for Robbie Glen & Mauara Lang who has died recently and all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Baptism

This weekend we have the Baptism of Iris Clare Comacho at St Joseph's at 1.00pm. We pray for Lucy-Mae Grace and her parents.

Parishioners going to College and University

Fr Chris is aware that this is the time some of parishioners are heading off to universities and colleges. If you or one of your family are about to start or continue their further education, we wish you and them every success and blessing for the coming academic year. Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome.

To find your local Chaplaincy, and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic Student Societies, visit the "CathChaps" website at: www.cathchaps.co.uk

Inter Faith Event

Celebrating the Mercy of God – an Interfaith Gathering for the Year of Mercy

In the face of the violence and hatred we have witnessed over the summer, some of us wonder what we can do. One thing you can do is to go to the Celebrating the Mercy of God event at Cardinal Hume Catholic School, Gateshead on Wednesday 21 September. Here, people from Jewish, Muslim and Christian traditions will offer a snapshot of their faith's understanding of the mercy of God – something we all have in common. There will be also be music and dance.

The main session starts at 7pm but there will be a light supper buffet from 6pm – open to all but especially useful for those coming straight from work. It would be helpful if you could let the Department for Spirituality know if you plan to attend – and essential if you would like to attend the buffet.

For more information and booking, please contact Karen Brown at the Department: spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk/ 0191 243 3302

Young Person's Council

The next meeting will be October 23rd at St Joseph's at 4.00pm

Trinity Charity Shop

The parish has recently received a cheque of £1,261.02p from the trustees of the Charity Shop. This is a very helpful addition to parish funds and Fr Chris on behalf of the whole parish would like to express his heartfelt thanks to those in parish who work on a Thursday and all who give donations to the shop

Day of Prayer for Peace

It is a request from the Holy Father that a Day of Prayer for Peace be promoted in our parishes on 20 September 2016. On this day there will be an Inter-Religious gathering in Assisi presided over by Pope Francis.

Care for Creation

Further to the recent message from the Holy Father on the Care for Creation, there are liturgical resources available on the Liturgy Office website. The opportunity to celebrate this theme, especially through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, is open from 1st September until 4th October – the feast of St Francis. I would be obliged if you could make this information available to your parishioners.

Galilee Talks

Saturday 24th September 2016 11:00am Refreshments served from 10:30am All are welcome. To be held at St. Mary's R.C. Church, Hencotes, Hexham NE46 2EB (01434 603119)
FR Bede Rowe: The Sacrament of Mercy: Revisiting Confession.

Celebrate North East

The Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference for the North East will be on November 5-6 at St Joseph's Academy, Hebburn, NE21 2ET. See poster for more details

Annual Mass for Altar Servers

The annual Mass for Altar Servers will be at Newcastle Cathedral on October 15th at 11.00am. If you would like to take part please contact Fr Chris as soon as possible

Saying Goodbye

Saying Goodbye Services are for couples who have experienced a miscarriage, neo-natal death, still birth or infant death. A Saying Goodbye Service will be taking place Sunderland Minster, Sunderland, Sunday 2nd October 2016 3.00 p.m. All parents and family for whom the service is for are very welcome

Home Mission Sunday

This week-end Home Mission Sunday will be celebrated. The theme is: "PROCLAIM the joy of love." On this day we are encouraged to pray for the work of evangelisation in England and Wales, remembering in our prayers especially those whom we know are distant from the life of faith. Please support the second collection which funds the bishops' national work of evangelisation. The collection also ensures that the Catholic Faith Centre is resourced to respond to those who have questions about the Catholic Faith. It is possible to donate online at: <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/Donate>. Commemorative prayer cards will be available to take away. Please support the work of Home Mission through your prayers and generosity. For more information see: www.catholicnews.org.uk/hms16. God bless you and thank you.

An Interesting Initiative for Parish Ministry

Below is an fascinating development in parish ministerial outreach. If anyone would be interested please let Fr Chris know. The parish would help with any travel costs
Want to find new ways of reaching your community?
Have you thought about having a registered nurse on your ministry team?

A Parish nurse is someone willing to combine his/her health knowledge and skills to promote whole person health in their community through their congregation, complementing NHS provision, and reaching people who might not otherwise link with a church. Discover more at
Parish Nursing Ministries UK - www.parishnursing.org.uk
An exploratory seminar for ministers, practitioners and leadership teams of any Christian denomination is to be held with speakers Rt Revd Frank White, Assistant Bishop of Newcastle Revd Dr Helen Wordsworth, Founder/Director, Parish Nursing Ministries UK Wednesday 21st September 2016 2pm-5pm Sunderland Minster High St West, Sunderland SR1 3ET 6 mins walk from metro, multi storey car park nearby
Refreshments will be provided. So that numbers for catering purposes are known, please book through Joanne Thorns
Email: regionalofficer@necat.co.uk or Tel 07932513295

Moving Forward Together in Hope

Fr Chris will continue reflecting on the Diocese's Response to our parish questionnaire.
Please note the open Meeting on Saturday 1st October at St Cuthbert's at 10.15 am to discuss Moving Forward Together in Hope. All are welcome and encouraged to take part

RCIA

The Cluster lead programme for those enquiring into the possibility of coming into the Church will start in about two month time. If you or you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr Chris as soon as possible.

Meeting with Catechists

Fr Chris has realised that the date given for the meeting with the Catechists with Theresa Hill, who is going to support catechists in the parish, September 29th is the next meeting of the parish council, so the meeting with the catechists will be on the 28th September at 7.00pm

Exploring Pope Francis' Ecological Vision in Laudato Si'

With Professor Karen Kilby, The Bede Chair in Catholic Studies
Wednesday 5 October, St. Aloysius', Hebburn.
Thursday 6 October, St. Anne's, Darlington.
Monday 10 October, St. Michael's, Houghton le Spring.
Wednesday 12 October, St. Cuthbert's House, Newcastle.
All sessions run from 7.00 - 8.30pm. See poster for more details and booking information. Further details and booking information are available on the Diocesan posters noticeboard.
To contact the team please email:
adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk or tel: 0191 243 3313

Vocations Discernment Weekend

Vocation Discernment Weekend for Single, Catholic Women.6 pm Friday 30th September until after lunch Sunday 2nd October
Venue: 216a, Wingrove Rd, Fenham, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 9DD. More details on the website:
www.societyofthesacredheartvocations.org.uk
or contact Sr Barbara on 0191 272 3000. Please see poster at back of Church for more details.

Concert at St Edwards Whitley Bay

NEWCASTLE MALE CHORUS at St Edwards Church, Whitley Bay, 7.00pm, Saturday 24th September 2016. Admission (inc Wine) £6.00 In Aid of : Diocesan Justice & Peace Refugee and Open Gate Prison Projects. Please see poster for more details.

Nite Bite

Donations of food for the Tuesday Nite Bite Project at Howard Street Baptist Church will be most welcome

A Day of Reflection for Special Ministers

There is day of reflection for Special Ministers on Saturday October 1 from 10.30am-3.30pm at St Thomas Aquinas' Parish Hall, North Road, Darlington, DL1 2PU. The day will be led by Pat Kennedy. The theme will be 'If only you knew what I was offering you'

Jumble Sale

The next parish jumble sale will be held on Saturday 8 October at 11:00am. Donations of clean jumble would be appreciated, but NO ELECTRICS PLEASE. Thanks for your continued support.

Mercy Associates Coffee Morning

The next Coffee Morning will be held on Tuesday, 27th September at 10.15am. Tickets £1

Are you Irish or of Irish Descent?

The Tyneside Irish Cultural Society is inviting older Irish people or people of Irish descent to attend one of our Lunch-time meetings. It is simply a chance to meet, have a free meal, listen to live Irish music and have a friendly chat. The craic will be great. You may want to share your reminiscences with us since moving to the North East from Ireland. Members of the Northern Stage Theatre in Newcastle are helping us collect these stories, use them to create an archive and to devise a piece of Musical Theatre. This next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st September 12.00—2.00pm at:
THE CHURCH HALL, ST MARY'S CHURCH, FARRINGDON ROAD MARDEN ESTATE CULLERCOATS

Annual Mass for Our Lady of Walsingham
Mass will be celebrated on 28 September at 7pm at St Thomas Aquinas, Darlington – All welcome