FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

Responsorial Psalm (to be read by the whole congregation together)
Response: This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

Psalm 32

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.
- The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in their distress.
- The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the soul of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

Timothy 4:6-8. 16-18

All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

SECOND READING

Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 18:9-14

The publican went home at rights with God; the Pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.

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Sunday, 23rd October 2016 – 30th Sunday of the Year

	Masses, Devotions and Services	
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 22 nd October St John Paul II Pope	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass:	
Sunday 23 rd October 30 th Sunday of the Year	11:00am Mass: Deceased Members of the Keilty family.	9:25am: Angelus 9:30am: Mass: Bridget Bernadette Symmons
Monday 24 th October	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 25 th October 6 Welsh Martyrs		9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Wednesday 26th October	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:	
Thursday 27 th October		9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Friday 28th October St Simon & Jude Apostles	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:	
Saturday 29 th October Douai Martyrs	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass:	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass:
Sunday 30 th October 31 st Sunday of the Year	11:00am Mass: Kathleen Lavery	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Deceased Members of the Hearons Family

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, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Patricia Taws, Shane Aberintos, Stephen Hyde, Evelyn Oshegbu, Pauline Chandra and Debbie Megan. We pray for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Baptism

This Sunday, 23rd October, we have the Baptism of Olivia Brown at St Joseph's at 1.00pm. We pray for Olivia and her parents.

Moving Forward Together in Hope

Fr Chris is very grateful to those who took part in the meeting on October 1st. Special thanks to Ian Pearson for leading the meeting. One of the primary areas of discussion is to which parishes do we see ourselves as working in partnership. What struck Fr Chris was that there was a generous openness to work with communities which was thought to be for the common good. Therefore we could see ourselves working with the parishes on the coast or the parishes in Wallsend. We even explored whether the deanery consisting of the Cluster Parishes and Wallsend could work as a partnership though we wondered if this was covering a too big an area. Fr Chris thought it was a useful and very helpful discussion for working the further explorations that will take place as part of the Moving Forward Together in Hope Process.

The Forward Together in Hope team can be contacted on tel: 0191 243 3304 or email: hope@diocesehn.org.uk.

October - A Month of Devotion to Our Lady

Since October is a month of Devotion to Our Lady, the Rosary will be celebrated on Sunday 9^{th} October at St Cuthbert's at 4.00pm and Sunday October 23^{rd} at St Joseph's at 4.00pm

World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday will be held on Sunday 23rd October, envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations which support our Church family overseas.

Catholic Social Thought and Practice Lecture:

Wednesday 2 November: Fr Rodolfo Cardenal (University of Central America): 'Rutilio Grande, Oscar Romero and Pope Francis', in association with the Archbishop Romero Trust. 5.30 - 7.00pm in the Pemberton Lecture Room, PG20, Palace Green, Durham. Email: ccs.admin@durham.ac.uk to book a place.

Mass with Anointing of the Sick

On the second Wednesday of each month at 12pm Mass with anointing of the sick is celebrated at St Joseph's Gateshead- all are welcome. The next Mass is on Wednesday 9th November.

Foodbank Conference

There is a conference for all who participate or interested in the work of foodbanks. This will be on Thursday 3rd November 2016 here in North Shields at St John's Parish Church, St John's Terrace, Percy Main, North Shields NE29 6HS. 9.30am coffee, 10am start, 4pm finish. All are welcome

Freedom Sunday

Next Week-end, Churches Together in England are remembering 'Freedom Slavery'. We pray for all those who are victims of human trafficking and different types of Modern Slavery in our country. I know this is an area that is of great concern to the Sisters of Mercy and the Mercy Associates. You may some of us wearing the black and brown leather wrist straps which are a sign of solidarity to those in modern slavery. For more information and resources please go to:

https://freedomsundavglobal.org/christian/

MASH: Medical Aid Sacred Heart

The Annual Auction from 7.30 pm on Saturday 12th November in the hall at St Teresa's Church, Heaton. Come and support us and enjoy wine tasting, beautiful music from Celissimo and bid for some amazing lots from a glider flight to signed art work, a weekend at a cottage at the coast to a chauffeur driven car for a day and lots more. Every penny raised will support 3 amazing projects: Dr Sister Mary Hickey working with vulnerable and homeless people in the UK, Dr Tim Kenny and Dr Ann Egan supporting the work of the Nan Bell Health Centre, Kenya, working with brothers and sisters in need and the work of Sister Muriel, working with vulnerable elderly people at St Joseph the Worker Project in Bosnia Hercegovina. It will be a great night. Do come and enjoy it if you can or get in touch to find out more and to send in a bid for an item to support our work to gerryohanlon@gmail.com

RCIA

The RCIA course will be starting up after half term week (exact date and venue to be confirmed). If anyone is interested or you are aware of anyone else who is interested in joining this course which is for people who wish to join the Catholic Church or people who wish to refresh their faith journey please contact Fr Chris or either Terry Mcgann on 07785906599 or Teresa Hills on 0191 597 9936

Youth Sunday Meeting

Calling all young people! As an important part of our parish, we need you to help us prepare for National Youth Sunday on 20th November. Over the next few weeks we will be getting together to plan and practise, so that others will know what you are doing and thinking when it comes to faith. Will you help us? There is a meeting in St Joseph's house this weekend, Sunday 23rd October at 4pm. Please come along and join in.

We'd love to see you there.

Also any others in the Parish who would like to help with young people please come too.

Youth Sunday Preparation

This year's Youth Sunday, which falls on the Feast of Christ the King in November, is also the Closing of the Year of Mercy. A variety of resources will be available to explore the theme 'HE IS MERCY'. All adults and young people (Year 9 and above) are invited – please see the parish priest if you would like to go along. Further details are available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

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.

Nite Bite

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

Young Person's Council

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

Red Mission Boxes

Would all box holders please bring their boxes to church for emptying or if preferred please ring Kath 2577041 or Pauline 2581456 for to be emptied at home. Thank you

Annual Walk for Peace

To be held on Saturday, 19th November 2016 starting at 10:00am from the Hindu Temple, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 9QB, for more information see notice on notice board.

Torchlight Procession

St. Mary's Hexham are hosting a Torchlight Procession to mark the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and in Thanksgiving for the Year of Mercy, on Friday 9th December at 7:00pm, led by Bishop Seamus Cunningham. All welcome ... meet at the bandstand in the park adjacent to Hexham Abbey which will be decorated with festive lights to pray the Rosary and sing hymns in honour of Our Lady, then process to St. Mary's for a homily and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A Collection will be taken in aid of the Diocesan Hospitalité Lady of Lourdes.

Bonus Ball

Please note the Bonus ball money will be due next Sunday, 6^{th} November, 4 weeks.

Items for the Newsletter

If you have any items for the Newsletter please give them to Linda Shotton, Pat Campbell or Pat Adamson or email: northshields.stjoseph@rcdhn.org.uk by 1:00pm Wednesday.

Don't forget

Next Saturday, 29th October, the clocks go back, so an extra hours sleep for some.