FIRST READING Wisdom 11:22-12:2

You are merciful to all because you love all that exists.

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm (to be read by the whole congregation together)

Psalm 144

R/ I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

- 1. I will give you glory. O God my king. I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.
- 3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.
- 2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion. slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.
- 4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

SECOND READING Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

The name of Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10

The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance: he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: "Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today." And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. "He has gone to stay at a sinner"s house" they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, "Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost."

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Sunday, 30th October 2016 – 31st Sunday of the Year

	Masses, Devotions and Services	
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 29 th October Douai Martyrs	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: No Intention	
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
Monday 31st October	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Ellen Tyrrell 7:00pm Vigil Mass: No Intention	
Tuesday 1 st November All Saints Holyday of Obligation	11:00am Mass: People of the Parish	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: People of the Parish
Wednesday 2 nd November The Holy Souls	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: For the Dead	7:00pm Mass: For the Dead
Thursday 3 rd November		9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: No Intention
Friday 4 th November	10:00am Requiem Mass for Povilas Kastivauicius	
Saturday 5 th November	5:00-5:30pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Bernard & Anna Teresa Hearn	9:30am No Mass
Sunday 6 th November 32 nd Sunday of the Year	11:00am Mass: No Intention	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Joan Kerrison

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, Debbie Megan and Kay Butler. We pray for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Collections

23rd October – £804.42: Mission Sunday - £179.56

November- The Month of Saints and Souls

Next week we begin the Month of November where we especially remember those who have died. It is a time of inspiration gratitude, consolation and reflection. The inspiration comes from remembering those saints officially or known in our hearts that have shown how gospel values can be made flesh. We also remember those who have touched our lives, giving thanks for their life but praying for consolation. November is also the month where remember those who have died in war and violence across the world, reflecting on the need for peace and reconciliation in our world.

There are a number of Masses for the All Saints and All Souls for us to give thanks for those who have inspired our faith and blessed our lives.

Moving Forward Together in Hope

The next stage for the parish is an open meeting on Tuesday 8 November at 7.30pm. A draft of the partnership proposal will be put to the meeting. There will be an open Deanery Meeting at Immaculate Heart West Monkseaton on 16th November.

Liturgy and Formation Group Meeting

Please note that the planned meeting for November 8th is now an open meeting for the parish for Moving Forward Together in Faith. This group will now meet on November 15th at 7.30. Fr Chris apologises for any inconvenience.

National Youth Sunday

The week-end of November 19th/20th is National Youth Sunday and it also marks the end of the Year of Mercy. The Youth group would like as many of our young people to participate in the Masses that week-end. They would also like young people to share what it means to be a young person with faith. If any of our young people would like to take part please let Fr Chris know.

Year of Mercy

The Year of Mercy comes to an end on November 20th. The diocese encourages you if you have not done so already to go through the Door of Mercy at the Cathedral. There is some uncertainty as to when it actually closes, but it open at least till November 13th.

Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a full-time Safeguarding Co-ordinator. For further information and an application pack please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us 0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk.

The closing date for applications is 11 November.

Journery in Faith 2016 – 2017

The Journey in Faith is for anyone wishing to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church next Easter, and for others who wish to refresh their faith. It will start on Thursday, 3 November at St Cuthbert's Church, Albion Road, North Shields. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Terry McGann on 0191 251 8672 or 07785906599. Many thanks.

Vatican Guidelines on Cremations

As you may have seen from the media, the Vatican has issued a document regarding the keeping and placing of ashes after a cremation. In this document, Ad Resurgendum cum Christo, the primary concern would seem to be theological ideas that could motivate the scattering of ashes or keeping ashes at home. The Vatican is aware of a mind-set that sees the natural order confused with God, and not part of God's creation. The scattering of ashes has apparently been associated with such a mind-set, which is why the Vatican has concerns with such a practice. Likewise, keeping ashes at home could make the home a mini shrine, idolising the deceased. It should be noted that the document does acknowledge that there may be circumstances where keeping ashes at home is acceptable provided the local Bishop has granted permission.

If you or your family have any questions or concerns, please contact Fr Chris.

Crib Festival

Following the success of the Crib Festival at St Cuthbert's last year, it was decided that we would repeat this but with St Joseph's Church hosting the event. It will start on Friday 16th December with it coming to an end at the Carol Service at St Joseph's on Sunday 18th December.

Parish Carol Service

This year the Parish Carol Service will be on Sunday 18th December at 6.00pm at St Joseph's. The St Joseph's music group are enquiring to see if our Schools and contribute to the service. Conscious that not all our young people go to our local Catholic schools, if any of these people would like to take part in the Carol Service please let Fr Chris know.

Citizens Tyne and Wear (CTW)

As mentioned in my homily last week, I was inspired and challenged in my 6 day training in Community Organising. I appreciated that community organising is not just bring about social change but developing relationship and strengthening communities and institutions. I am very welcome to have a conversation with anyone interested- Fr Chris.

'I. Daniel Blake'

Fr Chris is reluctant to recommend his cultural preferences knowing that they are distinct! However, he thinks people may be interested in the film 'I, Daniel Blake'. It is set in Newcastle with some of our parishioners taking part as extras! The film has a '15' certificate, due to some strong language but the film does show how our society with its foodbanks and benefit sanctions can dehumanize people in a profound and destructive way. There are some laughs but also some tear jerking moments as well. The film won the 'Palme D'Or' for best film at the Cannes Film Festival earlier this year.

Service of Remembrance

The annual Remembrance Service for our Deanery Parishes will take place on Thursday 17th November at 7.30pm in St. Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. This is a service of prayer, readings and music where we remember all those we love who have died, particularly those who have died within the last year. The names of those entered in the Parish Death Registers over the last 12 months will be read out at the Service. If there is anyone who has died since November 2015 who is not on our Register but you would like them remembered at the Service, please give their name by hand or e-mail to either Fr Chris or the Parish Secretary. This invitation is open to everyone in our community. If you know of anyone who may not see the bulletin please extend the invitation to them if you think they would like to attend.

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.

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

RCL

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.

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

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.

A Note of Thanks

David and June O'Neill would like to express their thanks to all their parish for their best wishes and gifts on the occasion of their Golden Wedding.

Bonus Ball

Please note the Bonus ball money will be due next Sunday, 6th 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.