

**FIRST READING****Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14***The King of the world will raise us up to live again for ever.*

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the laws of our ancestors.' With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.' After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering. When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

**Responsorial Psalm** (to be read by the whole congregation together)**Psalm 16****Response:** *I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.*

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| <p>1. Lord, hear a cause that is just,<br/>pay heed to my cry.<br/>Turn your ear to my prayer:<br/>no deceit is on my lips.</p> <p>3. Guard me as the apple of your eye.<br/>Hide me in the shadow of your wings.<br/>As for me, in my justice I shall see your face<br/>and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory.</p> | <p>2. I kept my feet firmly in your paths;<br/>there was no faltering in my steps.<br/>I am here and I call, you will hear my, O God.<br/>Turn your ear to me; hear my words.</p> |
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**SECOND READING****Thessalonians 2:16-3:5***May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.*

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation****Alleluia, Alleluia! Stay awake, paying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia!****GOSPEL****Luke 20:27-38***He is God, not of the dead, but of the living.*

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached him and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

**The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields**

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**Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year**

		Masses, Devotions and Services	
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>5:00-5:30pm:</b> Confessions <b>5.30pm Mass:</b> Bernard & Anna Teresa Hearn	
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup> November 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year	<b>11:00am Mass:</b> No Intention	<b>9:25am</b> The Angelus <b>9:30am Mass:</b> Joan Kerrison
Monday	7 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am</b> Word & Communion	
Tuesday	8 <sup>th</sup> November		<b>9:00am:</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Word &amp; Communion</b>
Wednesday	9 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b> No Intention	
Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup> November		<b>9:00am:</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b> Raj Johnpulle
Friday	11 <sup>th</sup> November St Martin of Tours Bishop	<b>9:00am</b> Adoration of Blessed Sacrament <b>9:30am Mass:</b> No Intention	
Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>5:00-5:30pm:</b> Confessions <b>5.30pm Mass:</b> Thomas Witheridge	<b>9:30am</b> <b>No Mass</b>
Sunday	13 <sup>th</sup> November 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year	<b>11:00am Mass:</b> No Intention	<b>9:25am</b> The Angelus <b>9:30am Mass:</b> Deceased members of the Redpath and Blakey Families

**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.

**Moving Forward Together in Hope.**

There is an open meeting at St Cuthbert's this Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7.00pm to discuss the partnership proposal. In discussions that have taken place it is proposed that the present deanery which consists of the Cluster parishes of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, St Mary's & Our Lady's & St Oswin's, and Our Lady Star of the Sea and all the three parishes in Wallsend, would form a partnership. As a partnership we would explore how we could work together and how resources between us could be shared between what is at present five parishes and ten churches. Please note there will be also an open meeting for the whole deanery on November 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm at St Thomas More's Academy

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, 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 Canon Francis Kearney and Povilas Kastivaucius who have died recently and for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

#### **Collections**

30<sup>th</sup> October – £808.99 : Clergy Training Fund - £224.49

#### **Annual Clergy Training Collection**

This was last week-end but the collection will be open till the end of the month.

#### **Year of Mercy**

The Door of the Year of Mercy at the Cathedral will be closing on November 13<sup>th</sup> As this door closed and the Year of Mercy comes to an end please remember that that the door of God is not closed and his mercy has NOT come to an end

#### **A Note of Thanks**

Patricia Thompson would like to offer a big thank-you to all who have purchased her poetry and writings. All proceeds go to CAFOD. So far she has raised £425.00. Well done to Patricia for being so generous with her talents.

#### **Baptism**

This weekend on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November we have the baptism of Archie Robson. We pray for Archie and his parents as he is welcomed into our family and united in Christ.

#### **Finance Committee**

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be this Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> of November at St Joseph's Presbytery at 7.00pm.

#### **Social Committee**

The next meeting of the Social Committee will be at St Cuthbert's on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm. Fr Chris will be present to discuss how the group could work together to build up the sense of community in the parish between various groups of people.

#### **Remembrance Sunday**

Next Sunday will be Remembrance Sunday. To remember those who have lost their lives in various wars and Conflicts each of the Masses next week-end will begin with a minute's silence.

#### **A Request for Rosaries and Prayer Books**

The Apostleship of the Sea ministers on behalf of the Church at ports and docksides across the Country, they offer pastoral care and support to men and women from across the world working on transporter and cruise ships. They often have requests for rosary beads and prayer books. If you have any these items spare please leave them with the 'welcomers' as you come into church.

#### **Christmas Coffee Morning**

This will be on November 26<sup>th</sup>. At St.Cuthbert's parish hall 10:00am. Tickets on sale at both churches £1- tea/coffee & a mince pie. Lots of goodies to buy and win, also a raffle.

#### **Voices of Mercy**

The 'Voices of Mercy' series of talks continue with 'Bury the Dead'. Come and listen to Rabbi Aaron Lipsey and Deacon Rob Wareing reflect on how our last act of mercy in a person's life is a loving and respectful marking of their death and hope of eternal life. Wednesday 16 November, St Bede's Church, Bedlington. Refreshments 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. This talk also to be repeated in December in Sunderland.

#### **SVP**

At the beginning of last month the SVP conference here in the parish celebrated 170 years as a conference. It is the second oldest conference in the country. The conference does great work in the parish, but new members would be most appreciated. The group meet on a fortnightly basis.

#### **Lay Leaders of Word and Communion**

From next week, the following will be able to lead Services of Word and Communion in our parish: Nesta Masiwa, Adele Timlin, Doreen Hull, and Ian Pearson. Fr Chris would like to express his sincere thanks for the time and effort they have spent on the training in recent weeks and their willingness to serve the parish in this important role. Thanks also to Sumil Thomas and Doreen Hull who have been commissioned Special Ministers of Communion.

#### **The Ploughshare Peace Movement**

On 17 November, 6pm, Northumbria Uni (Ellison Building A001), a Peace Activist, Andrea Needham will be telling her story of working for peace. A small group of women broke into a British Aerospace factory in Lancashire on 29 January 1996, and used hammers to disarm a Hawk warplane about to be sold to Indonesia for use against civilians in occupied East Timor. They were arrested, charged with £2.4m of criminal damage, and refused bail. After six months in prison, the women were acquitted of all charges by a Liverpool jury in a court case that effectively put Britain's arms trade on trial. The verdict generated national media coverage and inspired countless activists across the globe. Andrea Needham will talk about the action and explore its lessons for today, and read from her recently published memoir 'The Hammer Blow'.

<https://www.facebook.com/thehammerblow/>

This is being organised with the Martin Luther King Peace Committee for Northumbria and Newcastle Universities.

#### **Liturgy and Formation Group Meeting**

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

#### **National Youth Sunday**

The week-end of November 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **Vacancies**

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint the following:

- a full-time Safeguarding Co-ordinator. The closing date for applications is 11 November.
- a part-time Assistant Web and Media Manager. 15 hours per week. The closing date for applications is 18 November.

For further information and an application pack please visit our website [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) or contact us 0191 243 3301, email [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk)

#### **Journey 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.

#### **Parish Carol Service**

This year the Parish Carol Service will be on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **Service of Remembrance**

The annual Remembrance Service for our Deanery Parishes will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **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 16<sup>th</sup> December with it coming to an end at the Carol Service at St Joseph's on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **MASH: Medical Aid Sacred Heart**

The Annual Auction from 7.30 pm on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:gerryohanlon@gmail.com)

#### **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

#### **Annual Walk for Peace**

To be held on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 this Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 4 weeks.

#### **Thank You**

A big thank you to our family and friends at St Joseph's and all our friends at St Cuthbert's for your lovely cards and wonderful presents for our Gold Wedding last weekend and to Father Chris for a lovely blessing. June and Dave O'Neill.

#### **Mercy Associates**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November at 1:30pm at the Convent, 17 Cartington Road. The Mercy Associates would also be grateful for any contributions for the Christmas Parcels there will be a box at the back of church.