

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 21st & 22nd January 2017

**PARISH NOTICES**

**Crossing Barriers**



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2017

The churches in Germany prepared this year's week of prayer based on St Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. Fifty million Christians in Germany mostly belong to the Roman Catholic Church or one of the Protestant State Churches. Recent developments such as the reception of refugees and asylum seekers, have begun to change this balance and other Christian traditions are finding expression. Whilst that which unites the churches is stronger than that which divides, there are still areas of difference in which the churches remain self-absorbed or build new walls.

As the churches in Germany considered how to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation this year, they looked for a way to stand together. They found inspiration in *Evangelii Gaudium*, the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis, which encourages acts of repentance and

reconciliation, because 'the Love of Christ compels us' (2 Corinthians 5:14).

St Paul tells us that God has, in Christ, reconciled the world to himself. The love of Christ compels us to be ambassadors of this reconciliation and calls for a moment of repentance before we draw from the well of forgiveness. This repentance acknowledges division, names the reasons and acknowledges the walls of human sinfulness. Reconciliation happens when walls are dismantled. Those who have been reconciled in Christ are called to proclaim this reconciliation in word and deed, to all the world. The world needs ambassadors of reconciliation to break down walls, build bridges and open doors to new ways of life. We pray on this Sunday within the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity for Christians everywhere, that we might be true ambassadors of reconciliation between ourselves and others.

**PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB - IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH**

The first Parish Luncheon Club of 2017 will be held on Wednesday, 25th January from 12.00 noon at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. If you wish to attend and haven't already booked please telephone either Deirdre James on 0191 2513740 or Chris Gunning on 0191 2535135. Looking forward to seeing you there.

**PARISH BURNS SUPPER - UPDATE**

The caterer has agreed to offer a vegetarian alternative (quiche) at this event on 27th January. Tickets are still available at £18.00 per head for a catered 3 course meal, a wee dram to toast the haggis, wine or soft drinks, a piper and the customary toasts. If you require the alternative dish, please let Joe James know (tel 0191 2513740).

**PARISH MONDAY CLUB—ST EDWARD'S CHURCH**

On 23rd January we're having a 'Newspaper Review' and everyone is very welcome to bring along any articles which you think might be worth discussing, we also have some further information from Geraldine from 'Healthwatch North Tyneside' for anyone who may be interested.

**PARISH WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will take place on Friday, 3rd February. Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk around the Hulne Park Estate in Alnwick an easy walk on good paths through tranquil countryside, a favourite feeding ground for winter visiting birds. The walk passes Hulne Priory featured in 'Robin Hood Prince of Thieves' but hopefully Brian Blessed will not be there to shout at us! Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church car park at 9.30am. Further details from Jim on 0191 2535135 or 07932 696795.

## **ST EDWARD'S CHURCH MISSION COLLECTION**

The collection for the first quarter of the year is now due, could collectors please pick up their books which are ready in the Narthex. All monies should be passed to Mary Nugent by 4th February.

## **THANKS**

**FAIR TRADE SALE:** Thank you to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale last weekend at St Edward's. This raised £119.95 in sale of goods with a further £26.90 received in donations.

## **THE PARISH JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP**

The group will meet on Tuesday 7th February in the Lower Meeting Room at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church 6.00pm – 7.00pm to discuss ideas and develop a Parish Lenten initiative for 2017. Any parishioners who are interested in being part of the initiative are very welcome to join us.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

### **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL EVENING**

The Department of Interreligious Relations are having a Holocaust Memorial Evening on Wednesday, 25th January at 7pm, at St Mary's RC Comprehensive School, Benton Park Road, Longbenton, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 7PE. The key speaker will be Mrs Marta Josephs, who is a survivor of the Concentration Camps. If you would like to attend please let the Interreligious department know at: [gjw1949@aol.com](mailto:gjw1949@aol.com) or on: 0792 9115712.

### **DIOCESAN DEPARTMENT FOR LITURGY:**

Lay Leaders Reunion evening for existing Lay Leaders on Monday, 27th March 2017 at St Hilda's, Newcastle, 7.00pm – 9.00pm.

### **DIOCESAN DEPARTMENT FOR SPIRITUALITY:**

Resources for Lent will be available in January 2017 by contacting the Department. These resources will also be made available to download from the Diocesan website. A date for the diary; Saturday, 21st October 2017, a Pilgrimage of Peace to Flodden Field and Crookham Peace Centre. Bishop Séamus intends to join the pilgrimage. Further information to follow. For further information on any of these items, please contact the Department for Spirituality by email: [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk) or tel: 0191 2433302.

### **FLAME CONGRESS**

On Saturday, 11th March a group of 1,000 young people and accompanying adults from our diocese will be travelling to Flame at Wembley Arena. Flame is a National Catholic Youth Congress with inspiring speakers and music from Matt Redman. Coaches will be leaving from every part of the diocese. There are still places left for young people Year 9 and above and for adults. If you would like to go, please contact YMT for further details. Email [admin@ymt.org](mailto:admin@ymt.org) or 01207 592244.

### **Hospital Chaplaincies**

**North Tyneside General Hospital**, Rake Lane, North Shields & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Northumbria Way, Cramlington: Contact Fr Stephen Watson on 07768 3873931.

**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:**

Monsignor Andrew (St. Edward) [stedwardsne26@btconnect.com](mailto:stedwardsne26@btconnect.com) (0191) 2528021

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**Cluster Website** [www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk](http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk)

### **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.

| <b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>                                     |   |   |                                   |
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| <b>DAY</b>   | <b>ST EDWARD'S</b>  | <b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b>   | <b>OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S</b> |
| Saturday 21st January<br><b>ST AGNES</b>                   | 9.30am Members of Caritas Christi (FW)<br>10.00am CONFESSIONS | 6.00pm Nancy Lynch (VL)   |                                   |
| Sunday 22nd January<br><b>3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>       | 11.00am Edward Johnson (SR)                                   |   | 9.30am People of the Parish       |
| Monday 23rd January  | 9.30am Bill & Mary Dynes (AW)                                 | 10.00am Word & Communion  |                                   |
| Tuesday 24th January<br><b>ST FRANCIS DE SALES</b>         | 7.00pm Monty & John (P&G)                                     | 10.00am Agnes Hall  |                                   |
| Wednesday 25th January<br><b>THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL</b> | 9.30am Word & Communion<br>8.00pm Prayer Group                | 10.00am Private Intention   | 9.30am Donor's Intentions         |
| Thursday 26th January<br><b>SS TIMOTHY &amp; TITUS</b>     | 9.30am Word & Communion<br>7.00pm Compline                    | 10.00am Michael Jennings  |                                   |
| Friday 27th January<br><b>ST ANGELA MERICI</b>             | 9.30am Giovanni Arnone (P&L)                                  | 10.00am Kathleen Jones (LC)   |                                   |
| Saturday 28th January<br><b>ST THOMAS AQUINAS</b>          | 9.30am Bob Hooper (J&MR)<br>10.00am CONFESSIONS               | 6.00pm People of the Parish (especially the sick, housebound & homeless) (Pastoral Care Team) |                                   |
| Sunday 29th January<br><b>4TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>       | 11.00am Mary Ethel Woods (KB)                                 |   | 9.30am Bernie Smith (DJ)          |

| <b>BAPTISM</b>                              | <b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b> | <b>ST EDWARD</b>          |
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| Sunday 22nd January, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry) | Joshua James Buckton            |                           |
| Sunday 29th January, 12.30pm (Deacon Frank) |                                 | Elliott Cornelius Hopkins |

**Please remember in your prayers** those who are ill: Maureen Bell, Norma Smith, Steve Heywood, Charlie McCuigan, Kevin York, Anne Marie Gormley, Ray Blackburn, Cameron Lindsay, Judy Helmsley, Tatyana Zynovieva, Jim Ferguson, George Miller, Pat Southwell, Norah Blewitt, Fr Charlie Flaherty SSC and Jimmy Gilboy. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Martin Burke (former headteacher of Star of the Sea Primary School), Terence Brown, George Waddle and Bob Howe.

**Parish Office opening hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am—12.00noon.**

**For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - email [parishofficeolss@btconnect.com](mailto:parishofficeolss@btconnect.com) or telephone 0191 2527066. Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 12.00 noon on Thursdays.**

## READINGS AT MASS

### 3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 22ND JANUARY 2017

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

#### First reading

**Isaiah 8:23-9:3**

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations. The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor – these you break as on the day of Midian. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm

**Psalm 26:1,4,13-14**

*Response: **The Lord is my light and my help***

1. The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord,  
for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord,  
all the days of my life,  
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,  
to behold his temple.
3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

#### Second reading

**Corinthians 1:10-13,17**

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ.' Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul? For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom  
and cured all kinds of sickness among the people.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

**Matthew 4:12-23**

Hearing that John had been arrested, Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled: '*Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali! Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations! The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.*' From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him. Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him. He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you. Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.