

# Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

St Edward, Coquet Avenue,  
Whitley Bay, NE26 1EE  
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Church Close,  
Monkseaton, NE25 9PG  
Our Lady and St Edmund, Station Road,  
Backworth, NE27 ORU

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 28th & 29th January 2017**

## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **PARISH COVER**

On Monday, 6th February, I'm in North Tyneside Hospital for joint replacement surgery on my right foot and will be recovering for at least two weeks. I'm grateful to Fr Peter Martin and Fr Michael Hickey who will celebrate the Sunday Masses, and to Fr Chris Hughes at North Shields and Fr Martin Stempczyk at Cullercoats who will provide emergency cover. Their phone numbers are on the back of the bulletin. Deacons Terry McGann and Frank Forde have also kindly agreed to step in as required. Mgr Andrew.

### **CHANGE OF WEDNESDAY MASS**

I'm grateful to members of the Parish Council who recently discussed the low attendance at the 9.30am Wednesday Mass at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church, Backworth. The decision has therefore been taken to move this 9.30am Mass to St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. Word and Communion will not be available at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church. The change will start this week. Mgr Andrew.

### **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION - 2ND FEBRUARY**

Please note that Mass at St Edward's will be celebrated at 7.00pm on Thursday, 2nd February.

### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

- ◇ Please pray for the repose of the soul of Terence Brown, who died on 27th December 2016. His funeral was held at Whitley Bay Crematorium on Friday 27th January. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- ◇ Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Bernadette Grieves of Backworth, who died on 17th January 2017. Her Requiem Mass will take place at 10.00am on Tuesday, 31st January at St Edward's Church followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.

### **PARISH MONDAY CLUB - ST EDWARD'S CHURCH**

On 30th January we'll share 'Christmas Memories' and have a raffle, and everyone is very welcome.

### **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH PASTORAL CARE TEAM**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 31st January at 12.00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and the main topic for discussion will be the Lenten Reflection Group. Contact Jim Gunning on 0191 2535135.

### **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.

## **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**

### **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 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.

### **YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM**

- ◇ **The Source:** Wednesday, 1st March 2017 between 7.00pm – 8.30pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. A chance to take some time for ourselves. Praise and worship, prayer, a guest speaker followed by social time and refreshments. Year 9 and above. (Contact details for YMT below.)
  - ◇ 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.
  - ◇ **Youth Ministry Conference:** Saturday, 13th May 2017. 'The Way We See It', the report of the young people's survey from 'Forward Together in Hope', challenges us as a diocese to make a response and to revisit how we support our young people. Keynote speaker Rev David Wilkinson. The conference will take place in the Assembly Rooms, Newcastle.
  - ◇ **Diocesan Festival 2017:** Date for your diary! The Diocesan Festival will take place at the Emmaus Youth Village on Saturday, 24th and Sunday, 25th June 2017.
- Further information on all events from YMT on 01207 592244, [www.ymt.org](http://www.ymt.org) or email [admin@ymt.org](mailto:admin@ymt.org).

### **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:**

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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>			
<b>DAY</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b>	<b>OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S</b>
Saturday 28th January <b>ST THOMAS AQUINAS</b>	9.30am Bob Hooper (J&MR) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish (especially the sick, housebound & homeless) (Pastoral Care Team)	
Sunday 29th January <b>4TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Mary Ethel Woods (KB)		9.30am Bernie Smith & Doug Jones (MW)
Monday 30th January	9.30am Paddy Dawson (MHD)	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 31st January <b>ST JOHN BOSCO</b>	10.00am Requiem Mass, Mary Grieves	10.00am Helen Tanner (AG)	
Wednesday 1st February	9.30am Thomas Ryan (J&LA) 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Peter Davies (MD)	
Thursday 2nd February <b>THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</b>	7.00pm Mary Ridley (AW)	10.00am Mary Kitchen (TM)	
Friday 3rd February <b>ST BLAISE</b>	9.30am Des Mohan (AM)	10.00am Bob Howe (EH)	
Saturday 4th February	9.30am John Richard & John Storey (MS) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Laurie Anastasi (JA)	
Sunday 5th February <b>5TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Steven Knowles (PK)		9.30am People of the Parish

<b>BAPTISM</b>	<b>ST EDWARD</b>
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 and James Gilboy. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Terence Brown, George Waddle, Bob Howe, Mary Grieves and Fr Charles Flaherty SSC.

**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**  
**4TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 29TH JANUARY 2017**  
*The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.*

**First reading**

**Zephaniah 2:3,3:12-13**

Seek the Lord, all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands. Seek integrity, seek humility: you may perhaps find shelter on the day of the anger of the Lord. In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people, and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord. They will do no wrong, will tell no lies; and the perjured tongue will no longer be found in their mouths. But they will be able to graze and rest with no one to disturb them.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 145:6-10**

*Response: **How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.***

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| 1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,<br>who is just to those who are oppressed.<br>It is he who gives bread to the hungry,<br>the Lord, who sets prisoners free. | 3. It is the Lord who loves the just<br>but thwarts the path of the wicked.<br>The Lord will reign for ever,<br>Zion's God, from age to age. |
| 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,<br>who raises up those who are bowed down,<br>the Lord, who protects the stranger<br>and upholds the widow and orphan.  |  |

**Second reading**

**1 Corinthians 1:26-31**

Take yourselves for instance, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: *if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.*

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Matthew 5:1-12**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you. Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Memorial Acclamation**

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.