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2nd Sunday of Lent Year A – 12th March 2017

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	12 th	2 nd Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Doris Wall (MH)	Gen 12: 1-4, Tim 1: 8-10
Sun	12	2 Sunday of Lent	St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	Matt 17: 1-9
Mon	13 th	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	John Slowey	Dan 9: 4-10, Luke 6: 36-38
Tue	14 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Is 1: 10-20, Matt 23: 1-12
Wed	15 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	Jer 18: 18-20, Matt 20: 17-28
Thu	16 th	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	People of the Parish	Jer 17: 5-10, Luke 16: 19-31
Fri	17 th	St Patrick	St O	9.30am	Pat Taws (LB)	Jer1:4-9,Acts13:46-49,Lk10:1-20
Sat	18 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Mary Wrightson (JS)	Mic 7: 14-20, Luke 15: 1-32
Sun	19 th	3 rd Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Ex 17: 3-7, Rom 5: 1-8
			St M	11.00am	Denis Cassidy (BC)	John 4: 5-42

SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - *and available on request* (Rosary at St Oswin's (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in March: Patricia Southwell, David Knight, Lynda Knight, Fred Stimpson, Barbara Hunter, June Barnsley, Sara Hyslop, Lyn Johnson, Brenda Miller, Betty Briggs.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Wrightson who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, NE4 7QA, on Mon 13 March at 1.00pm. May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Terence Cunningham, Annie McClurg, Owen Nugent, John Kelly, Miranda Moore.

Lenten Choir Practice, to prepare for Holy Week, will be held each **Tues in St Mary's Church at 7.30pm**. New choir members are very welcome. No auditions, enthusiasm is all that is necessary!

The 1st Holy Communion parents meet in St Mary's Church Hall this <u>Thurs 16 March 7-8pm</u>. The Children meet with the catechists Sun 19 March 9.50am-12noon in the hall.

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on <u>Friday evenings during Lent at 6.30pm</u> at St Mary's. Please sign up on the list at the back of church if you would like to help lead one of these. *Resources are available in the sacristy.* **On Friday 17 March** we will be photographs by the students of St Thomas More.

Lenten Alms Appeal 2017: once more we are asked to contribute to helping the work of St Cuthbert's Care to. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

Tyneside Circle Newman Association: next talk "Never Judge a Book by its Cover" a second by Maria Charlton, looking deeper into The Lindisfarne Gospels, at St Mary's RC Church Hall, at 7.30pm Weds 29 March. All welcome. A.G.M at 7pm

Forward Together in Hope Prayer:

God of all Creation, you have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our Diocese and kindled here a light which has spread throughout the world.

Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself to learn from you and to model their lives on you. Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world.

Come upon us, Holy Spirit, deepen the faith you invite us to share and inspire us to become faithful witnesses.

As we begin to develop our partnerships, help each one of us to use the gifts you give us to nurture one another, to serve the world and to live in harmony with the whole of creation.

All of this we ask in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

APF Mission Boxes – are now due to be collected for the March quarter.

Gift Aid/Planned Giving: envelopes will be available <u>TODAY</u> at St Mary's and next week (19th) at St Oswin's. Please collect your box as you leave church.

Margaret and Geoff Stephenson would like to thank everyone who attended the coffee morning last Saturday or made a donation for their generosity. £227 has been sent to M10 mission

Matthew Morley would also like to thank everyone for their amazing generosity on Sun 26 Feb after mass at St Oswin's, the cake sale and donations towards my Lourdes trip came to a staggering £173.

Catholic Chaplaincy – Hospital – part time Catholic Chaplaincy post for Durham & Darlington NHS Trust is advertised on NHS Jobs: www.jobs.nhs.uk Enter the job reference: 439-AEC-13393-1

First Reading Genesis 12:1-4

This tells of the call of Abraham. Thanks to his faith in God the whole human race has been blessed.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing. I will bless those who bless you: I will curse those who slight you. All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you.' So Abram went as the Lord told him.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 32

Response: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

- The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
 The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love
- Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
 The Lord is our help and our shield.
 May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.
- The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:8-10

The Power of God and the vision of immortality enable the Christian to face the sufferings which faithfulness to the Gospel inevitably brings.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy - not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9

On Mount Tabor the three disciples get a glimpse of the glory of Jesus.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?