

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 19th & 20th August 2017

**SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION**

The readings this week have a theme: it is that the generosity of God is open to all peoples. The last line in the passage from Isaiah declares "for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples" By this it means all civilisations- we have no right to impose on others our own appreciation of God's ways which we express through the Lordship of God in Jesus and his salvation gained through loving obedience. The failure to appreciate the other great religions of the world is a failure to understand God's power in the world and how he sees faith as a gift to all mankind. In the gospel there is an interplay between the gentile woman and Jesus. It shows a lot about his relationship to women and about his sense of humour. Our Lord tries to put her off by saying he has been sent to the lost sheep of Israel, but she persists. They are obviously enjoying this playful scene and it suggests that not everything is solemn and serious in heaven and there is room for humour.

**Deacon Terry**

**TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP:**  
**BIDDING PRAYER FOR SUNDAYS**  
**AND OTHER OCCASIONS**

That in seeking the way ahead of our partnership,  
we will be open to your Holy Spirit.  
We seek the intercession of our parish saints and pray:  
Holy Mary, Mother of God. *Pray for us.*  
St Joseph, *Pray for us.*  
St Columba. *Pray for us.*  
St Aidan, *Pray for us.*  
St Oswin, *Pray for us.*  
St Cuthbert, *Pray for us.*  
St Edmund, *Pray for us.*  
St Edward, *Pray for us.*  
St Bernadette. *Pray for us.*  
Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.* / Lord Hear us.  
*Lord, graciously hear us.*

**PARISH NOTICES**

**MASS CHANGE AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH**

From the 4th September, Monday 9.30am Mass at St Edward's will be replaced by Word and Holy Communion.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lynn Watson of Garsdale Road, Whitley Bay who died on 6 August 2017. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 2.30pm on 24th August 2017 at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by cremation at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kevin York, who died on 13th August 2017. His body will be received into church at 6.30pm on 24 August. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on 25 August 2017 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, West Monkseaton, followed by cremation at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Joshua Jones and Emma Thompson who are to be married at St Edward's Church on Friday, 25th August.

**PARISH WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will be on Monday, 21st August when Peter Weighill will lead a seven mile walk from Belsay north via Bolam Lake. Please meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 9.30am. If you require more information please contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

**PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB**

Can you spare some time once a month to come along and help at our parish Luncheon Club? No cooking or organising required. We have a strong team in the kitchen, but need people to help in the hall setting tables, taking coats, serving tea and coffee and chatting to people. If you could help or would like more information please contact Chris on 07984 963769. Our next Luncheon Club is on Wednesday, 30th August, all help gratefully accepted.

### **OUR YOUNG PEOPLE**

Please keep our young people in your prayers as they receive their A-Level results today (Thursday) and GCSE results next Thursday (24th). We wish them well in their future education and career choices.

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

The Monday Club will not be meeting during the summer holidays. We look forward to our return on 11th September when everyone will be very welcome.

### **JUSTICE & PEACE**

- Apologies - owing to unforeseen circumstances, there will be **NO** Justice & Peace Coffee Morning at St Edward's on the 21st August.
- A charity concert in aid of 'Walking With' is being held on Saturday, 16th September at St Edward's Church. The concert features Tyneside A Capella Ladies Chorus plus guests Compass Men's Chorus. Tickets are £7.00 to include a glass of wine or juice and will be on sale at our three churches.

### **ST EDWARD'S CHURCH COUNCIL**

The next meeting of the Church Council will be on Monday, 4th September. If any parishioner has anything they wish to put before the Council please contact one of your Parish representatives.

### **COMPLINE**

Compline at St Edward's is taking a summer break until Thursday, 7th September.

### **PARISH FOOD BANK DONATIONS - WALKING WITH PROJECT**

One week in each month we are planning to donate the contents of our food bank box at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and St Edward's Church to 'Walking With' in Wallsend. The main foodstuffs they require are tins of tomatoes, chickpeas, sweetcorn, kidney beans, fruit, meat (not pork), fish, packets of rice, spaghetti, cereal, tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits, chocolate, cooking oil, toiletries and soap powder. All items are very welcome and we thank you for your continued generous support.

### **THANK YOU—APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AN EXTRACT FROM THEIR LETTER)**

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank you for supporting the work of the Apostleship of the Sea, especially by holding our Sea Sunday Appeal. The generosity of your parishioners financially and in prayer is welcomed and very much appreciated. Please convey our thanks to them.

### **WHEELCHAIR APPEAL**

Thanks to the parishioners for their generous response to our appeal for a wheelchair. It is much appreciated.

### **SAVE THE DATE - MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

Our Lady Star of the Sea annual Macmillan Coffee Morning will take place on Tuesday, 19th September. Please make a note in your diary and plan to come along and support this worthwhile cause. Further details to follow.

### **OTHER NOTICES**

### **APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AOS) – MASS AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL**

Please come and join in the celebration of Holy Mass at 12:05pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on Friday, 22nd September 2017.

### **Priests' telephone numbers**

Monsignor Andrew Faley 0191 2528021

Father Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Father Chris Hughes 0191 2575801.

Deacon Terry McGann contact via Parish Office 0191 2527066.

**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.**

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 19th August <b>ST OSWIN</b>	9.30am Deceased members of the Robinson Family 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Terry Martin	
Sunday 20th August <b>20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Brenda Brady (MD)		9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 21st August <b>the DEDICATION OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL</b>	9.30am Terry Martin (AM)	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 22nd August <b>THE QUEENSHIP OF MARY</b>	7.00pm Katherine S(LM)	10.00am Lylis Cooke (PC)	
Wednesday 23rd August <b>ST ROSE OF LIMA</b>	9.30am Franco & Albertina Bonadies (LD) 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Margaret and Francis Murphy	
Thursday 24th August <b>ST BARTHOLOMEW</b>	9.30am Word and Communion 2.30pm Requiem Mass Lynn Watson	10.00am Gladys McCoulough (P&DK)	
Friday 25th August <b>ST LOUIS</b>	9.30am Word & Communion 12.00pm Wedding - Joshua Jones and Emma Thompson	10.00am Requiem Mass Kevin York	
Saturday 26th August <b>ST NINIAN</b>	9.30am Adriana Arnone (MA) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish (esp "Walking With" supporting Syrian refugees)	
Sunday 27th August <b>21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Eileen Conlan (MC)		9.30am Steve & Bas Perrett (AD)

BAPTISMS	ST EDWARD	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
Sunday 20th August, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)	Evelyn Winter Max George Harrison	
Sunday 27th August, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)	Rory Edward Milner	
Sunday 27th August, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Harvey Daniel Bell

**Please remember in your prayers** those who are ill: George Donahue, Norma Smith, Tatyana Zynovieva, Norah Blewitt and Peter Longstaff. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Lylis Cooke, Terry Martin, Jean Burnett, Joyce Blakeborough, Kevin York and Lynn Watson.

#### 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)

READINGS AT MASS

20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 20TH AUGUST 2017

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

**First reading**

**Isaiah 56:1,6-7**

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

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

**Psalm**

**Psalm 66:2-3,5-6,8**

*Response: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.*

1. O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help.
2. Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him.

**Second reading**

**Romans 11:13-15,29-32**

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,  
says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia

**Gospel**

**Matthew 15:21-28**

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again

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.