

MASS READINGS

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 22:19-23

I place the key of the House of David in his shoulder.

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 137

Response: Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

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| <p>1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.</p> | <p>2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.</p> |
| <p>3. The Lord is high yet he look son the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.</p> | |

SECOND READING

Romans 11:33-36

All that exists comes from him; all is by him and from him.

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen!

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia!

God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they were reconciled. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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Sunday, 27th August 2017 – 21st Sunday of the Year - Year A

Masses, Devotions and Services		
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 26 th August	4:45pm-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass: Mrs Mary Jeffrey	9:30am Mass:
Sunday 27 th August 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00am Mass: People of the Parish	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Celia Kidd
Monday 28 th August St Augustine, Bishop	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 29 th August Beheading of St John the Baptist		9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Celia Kidd
Wednesday 30 th August	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Anniversary of Abraham Elias Sir Linares	
Thursday 31 st August		9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: In thanksgiving
Friday 1 st September	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: No intention	
Saturday 2 nd September	4:45pm-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass: James Fatkin	9:30am No Mass
Sunday 3 rd September 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00am Mass: 6 th Anniversary in heaven Mary Antony	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: Gloria Gascon

Bidding Prayers and our Partnership

We seek the intercession of our parish saints and pray:

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| 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 |

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, Mel Mitchell, Audrey Lewis, Father Bill Bellamy, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Nancy Healy, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Chandra, Debbie Megan, Kay Butler, Sarah Harrison, Fred Stimpson, Lena Arbuster, Scott Oakley, Patrick Butler, David Hennessey, Pat Skelly, Fr Michael Conaty, Brenda Hutchinson, Fr Anthony Donaghue and Cardinal Cormac Murphy. We pray for all those who have died recently and also for those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Celebration of Baptism

This Sunday we have the baptism in our community of Charlotte Elizabeth Carr at 12.30pm at St Cuthbert's. Please pray for Charlotte and her parents.

A & GCSE Level Results

This week a number of our parishioners have received their GCSE level results this week. Congratulations to all who achieved what they need for further studies or employment. Prayers and solidarity to those who may be disappointed. Congratulations to all our parishioners who received their A-Level results and are preparing to leave for college or university. So far, Fr Chris has only heard good news with all our parishioners going to their desired place of study - well done.

Celebrating Young People Awards

These honour the contributions made by our young people in the area of social action – transforming the lives of others, often in very low-key ways. Awards are given in 6 categories, each related to a different area of Catholic social teaching, from peace building to the dignity of work. There is also the overall 'Pope Francis Award', presented this year by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon at the awards ceremony in London on 23 November 2017. Pope Francis reminds young people of this enormous capacity for transformation when he says, "A better world can be built also as a result of your efforts, your desire to change and your generosity." The last few years of the Awards has certainly shown us that this is true here in England and Wales. For example, Angeline Umba, a student at Holy Cross College in Bury, developed an awareness raising campaign about violence against girls. Angeline organised a creative writing and drawing competition for a poetry book. To prepare students Angeline led a discussion about the effects of violence not only on the young women and girls in Africa but in Britain as well. Her seminar was so inspiring that the RE department invited Angeline into RE lessons to present to her peers. You can nominate a young person, a group, or a youth worker online at millionminutes.org/awards. Nominations are open now, the closing date is 6 October. I hope you will consider nominating a young person or a group of young people.

The Day of Reflection for existing Extraordinary Ministers

This day on Saturday 9th September 2017 at Ushaw College, Durham is NOW FULLY BOOKED.

First Holy Communion Catechists

The parish is in need of new catechists for First Holy Communion especially if catechism is going to be offered in both churches and at different times. Training is available. Please contact Fr Chris if you are interested.

Peer Talk

Interested in mental wellbeing and a good listener? Peer Talk, a charity underpinned by the Methodist Church, is looking for volunteers to help run a second peer support group for people living with depression in Newcastle. Training Day is on Saturday 16 September at, The Copthorne Hotel, The Close, Quayside, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 3RT, 10am – 4pm. More details at www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/volunteer or contact admin@peertalk.org.uk

Home Exchange Offer

A family from Lyons (South East France) would like to exchange their 5-room apartment (1 double, 4 bunks, bed settee) for accommodation on Tyneside. Exchange possible either July 8th-22nd or July 15th-28th, 2018. Buses are a 5 minute walk away. If you are interested contact maureenbocquet@hotmail.com or Gerry Beldon at gerry@beldons.co.uk

I Call You Friends

This is a course for catechists and teachers involved in sacramental preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The content includes:

- Supporting children with special needs both pre and post communion
- A guide to the programme
- Sharing good practice and exploring resources

Wednesday 20 September 2017- 5.00pm - 7.00pm

St Cuthbert's House, Newcastle

The course costs £25 per person and MUST be booked through the school via the online booking system.

Coming up at Minsteracres:

In September, Fr. David Williams and Sr. Anne McCarthy lead an individually guided retreat between the 3 - 8 September and Fr. Chris Thomas and Pat Kennedy lead a weekend between the 8 - 10 September reflecting in the call in scripture 'Come, this is the time'. Where do we see ourselves in that call, where are we being fed within that call and to whom are we being sent?

For more about Minsteracres and to see our full programme visit our website or call us on 01434 673248.

Catechesis in the Mission of the Church

A course for catechists and those interested in becoming a catechist involving 18 evening sessions led by a variety of speakers on a range of topics including vocation and identity, theology of the church, and specific instruction on individual sacraments. Time for prayer and reflection will be included in each session. Sessions will take place on Tuesday evenings, 6.00pm - 8.00pm at St Aloysius Parish Hall in Hebburn (final dates to be confirmed).

Further details will be sent to parishes shortly. To register your interest, please contact adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 2433313.

Interested in becoming a Catholic?

Fr Chris is already receiving inquiries from people who have expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic. If you or someone you know has expressed an interest please contact Fr Chris. We keep in our prayers those who have expressed an interest in coming into the Church.

A Day for women with Sr. Sheila McNamara:

"Encounters With Grace: There's a crack in everything, that's how the light gets in" (Leonard Cohen)

On Saturday 16 September 2017 between 10.30am - 3.30pm at St. Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE15 7PY. There is no charge, but booking is essential. Please bring a packed lunch. If you would like to attend you can book online

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/diocesan-department-for-adult-formation-13249241994> or contact us by email: adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 243 3313.

Alzheimer's Walk

Pamela Hart, whose parents worshipped at St Joseph's has registered with The Alzheimer's Society to do a Memory Walk in honour of her Parents, she has set a date of the 2nd September, with the walk from St Anne's Care Home to St Mary's Lighthouse and back approx. 5 miles. If you would like to be involved please contact Fr Chris or Pamela Hart at: pam996@hotmail.co.uk.

2018 Synod on Young People in the Church

In October 2018, the Synod of Bishops will gather in Rome to consider 'Young People, Faith, and Vocational Discernment.' In preparation for this, the Bishops of England and Wales would like to hear from young people and from those who are regularly in contact with them. If you are aged 13-29, please take part in the Mega Youth poll at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll>

Parents, teachers, catechists, youth leaders please participate in the poll at

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cymfed-yourview>

Church Together August Services 2017

During August many of the Churches in the town have no main Sunday Service but come together for a joint service. Times and venues are below. We are welcome to any of these services

27 August: St. Columba's URC, Northumberland Square, North Shields: 6.30 pm

Please note different times for Services

A Spiritual Spa Day for Women –

A day for women to experience the renewing love of God Soak up God's blessings, inspirational teaching, fellowship with other women, cream tea, quiet adoration, stroll in our gardens and prayer ministry. Allow Jesus to pamper you!

Sat 9th September 2017, Cor et Lumen Christi, Wigton, CA7 9HU - DONATION ONLY EVENT

To book or for more information:

Web: www.coretlumenchristi.org Email: stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org Tel: 016973 45623 or 07516 075896.

Sorry No Coffee on this Sunday 27th August.

Most of the rota people are doing other things.

Trip to Holy Island

The sign up list for the trip to Holy Island on 2 September is at the back of Church. Please sign up as soon as possible. The cost of the trip will depend on how many sign up.

Motorists Prayer

Grant me O Lord a steady hand and watchful eye.
That no one shall be hurt as I pass by.
Thou gavest life, I pray no act of mine
May take away or mar that gift of Thine.
Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear me company,
From the evils of fire and all calamity
Teach me to use my car for others need;
Nor miss through love of undue speed
The beauty of the world; that thus I may
With joy and courtesy go on my way.
St Christopher, holy patron of travellers,
Protect me and lead me safely to my destiny.

Tynemouth Priory 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 in 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. Amen