

**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 26th & 27th August 2017**

**SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION**

What's in a name ?

The names of some iconic people become symbols of what they achieved. We can think of John F Kennedy or Martin Luther King or Winston Churchill as examples of these. Simon's name is changed in today's gospel because of what he recognised.

Jesus and the disciples are moving from place to place and you can sense a little weariness of this travelling. They were between centres of population, in a lonely place, when someone spots the city of Caesarea Philippi on top of a large rock formation. Our Lord, for whom no situation is unimportant, in anticipation of meeting civilisation again, says " Who do people say the Son of Man is?" Ever being the one to speak first Simon says "You are the Christ" and he gets approval from our Lord. The others might have been thinking the same, but were afraid to speak out. When you name something, you make it your own and Jesus renames Simon, Peter, a word which means rock, and "upon this rock, I will build my Church". So the Church is born and Peter is to be its first leader. It continues today and the Church, that is such a part of our lives, is led by Pope Francis – the successor of St Peter. **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 George William Donohoe. His Funeral Service will be celebrated at 9.45am on Tuesday, 29th August 2017 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, followed by cremation at Whitley Bay Crematorium. Mass at 10.30am will be offered for the repose of his soul. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**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.

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

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

**JUSTICE & PEACE**

A charity concert in aid of 'Walking With' is being held at 7.30pm 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.

## **CHURCH COUNCILS**

- **ST EDWARD'S** the next meeting of the Church Council will be on Monday, 4th September.
  - **OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S** A meeting will be held in Church on Monday, 11th September at 6.00pm.
- If any parishioner has anything they wish to put before a Church Council please contact one of your Parish representatives.

## **ST EDWARD'S PRAYER GROUP**

The Prayer Group is taking a break and will resume on Wednesday, 6th September at 8.00pm.

## **COMPLINE**

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

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

The second week in each month we will 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.

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

Our Lady Star of the Sea annual Macmillan Coffee Morning will take place on Tuesday, 19th September at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church after 10.00am Mass. Please make a note in your diary and plan to come along and support this worthwhile cause.

## **A CUPPA AT ST EDWARD'S**

Coffee and tea is served in the Parish rooms every Sunday after the 11.00am Mass. All are very welcome.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

### **PEERTALK**

Interested in mental wellbeing and a good listener? PeerTalk, 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, 16th September at The Copthorne Hotel, The Close, Quayside, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 3RT, 10.00am – 4.00pm. More details at [www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/volunteer](http://www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/volunteer) or contact [admin@peertalk.org.uk](mailto:admin@peertalk.org.uk)

### **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. It is an opportunity to pray for seafarers and the work of the AoS in ports in your diocese. A reception will follow the Mass. For more information contact [salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](mailto:salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

### **I CALL YOU FRIENDS**

A course for catechists and teachers involved in sacramental preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Wednesday, 20th September 2017, 5.00pm - 7.00pm, St Cuthbert's House, Newcastle. The content includes:

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

The course costs £25.00 per person and **MUST** be booked through the school via the online booking system.

**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 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) (Pastoral Care Team)	
Sunday 27th August <b>21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Eileen Conlan (MC)		9.30am Steve & Bas Perrett (AD)
Monday 28th August <b>ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO</b>	9.30am Brian Crumbley (WC)	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 29th August <b>THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>	7.00pm Terry Martin (SC)	9.45am Funeral Service George Donohoe 10.30am George Donohoe	
Wednesday 30th August <b>SAINT MARGARET CLITHEROW</b>	9.30am Bob Vaughan	10.00am Donor's Intentions	
Thursday 31st August <b>ST AIDAN</b>	9.30am John Clarke (JH)	10.00am Gladys McCoulough (JT)	
Friday 1st September <b>DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION</b>	9.30am James Gilboy (OT)	10.00am Lawrence & Mary Scallon	
Saturday 2nd September	9.30am Lynn Watson (LC)	6.00pm Donor's Intentions	
Sunday 3rd September <b>22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am Michael Snowdon		9.30am People of the Parish

BAPTISMS	ST EDWARD	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
Sunday 27th August, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)	Rory Edward Milner	
Sunday 27th August, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Harvey Daniel Bell
Saturday 2nd September 11.00am (Deacon Terry)	Hilda Rose Andradóttir-Róbertsson	

**Please remember in your prayers** those who are ill: Cardinal Murphy O'Connor, Fr Anthony Donaghue, 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 Terry Martin, Jean Burnett, Joyce Blakeborough, Kevin York, Lynn Watson, George Donohoe and Brian Crumbley.

#### 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 Terry McGann contact via Parish Office 0191 2527066.

**READINGS AT MASS**  
**21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 27TH AUGUST 2017**  
*The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.*

**First reading**

**Isaiah 22:19-23**

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.

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

**Psalm**

**Psalm 137:1-3,6,8**

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

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:  
You have heard the words of my mouth.  
In the presence of the angels I will bless you  
I will adore before your holy temple.
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.
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands.

**Second reading**

**Romans 11:33-36**

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.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Matthew 16:13-20**

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.

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.