

MASS READINGS

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

FIRST READING

The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.

Jeremiah 20:7-9

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Psalm 62

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| <p>1. God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.</p> | <p>2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.</p> |
| <p>3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.</p> | <p>4. For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.</p> |

SECOND READING

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

Romans 12:1-2

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.

Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life? 'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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Sunday, 3rd September 2017 – 22nd Sunday of the Year - Year A

		Masses, Devotions and Services	
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
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
Monday	4 th September	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday	5 th September		9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Wednesday	6 th September	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Requiem Mass Patrick Butler	
Thursday	7 th September		9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:
Friday	8 th September Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Repose of the soul of Tommy Casey	
Saturday	9 th September	4:45pm-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass: Bernard & Anna Teresa Hearn	9:30am No Mass
Sunday	10 th September 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00am Mass: People of the Parish	9:25am The Angelus 9:30am Mass: People of the Parish

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 Armbuster, Scott Oakley, David Hennessey, Pat Skelly, Fr Michael Conaty, Brenda Hutchinson, Fr Anthony Donaghue and Cardinal Cormac Murphy. We pray for Patrick Butler who has died recently and also for those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Collections

Collection for 27th August - £798.52

Celebration of Baptism

This Sunday we have the baptism in our community of Max and Ivy Lennon-Howland at St Cuthbert's at 12.30pm. We remember Max and Ivy in our prayers.

Schools Return

This week the three schools in our parish return for new academic year. The work our schools do in developing our young people is tremendous. Often this work is done in challenging situations but in all schools I see staff willing to face these challenges for the good of our children. Please keep our schools; St Cuthbert's Primary, St Joseph's Primary and St Thomas More's Academy especially their respective head teachers, Mr Shaun Dillon, Miss Claire Hedley and Mr David Watson in your prayers. We also remember parishioners who are members of staff or pupils in other schools. We wish all our parishioners, be they staff or pupils, especially those who are starting new schools, a blessed and successful academic year.

Celebration of Confirmation

Bishop Seamus has given me permission to minister the Sacrament of Confirmation on Dominique O'Neill next Sunday at St Joseph's at the 9.30 Mass. We pray for Dominique and her family.

Liturgy and Formation Group Meeting

This group will be meeting at St Cuthbert's on Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm.

The Late Cecilia Kidd

Last week Fr Chris received a letter from the Solicitors who are acting on behalf of the executors for the Late Celia Kidd. In her will Cecilia had generously bequeathed £1,000.00 to the parish. We give thanks for her generosity and continue to remember her and her family in our prayers.

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.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

September is SVP awareness month and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the terrific support you have given in the past both financial through collections and in the great response to appeals in the newsletter for various household goods. You have enabled us to assist several families and individuals in great need. We are all called to welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, take care of the sick and visit the imprisoned. Being a member of the SVP enables us to answer this call. Please see our poster campaign on the notice board in the porch. Our conference consists of six members, we meet fortnightly on a Monday and would like to recruit more members to join us. If you would like to find out more about the Society or would like to become a member please contact Peter Quinn on 0191 2584526 or Kath Kenny on 0191 2577041.

Church Action on Poverty AGM

This event will be taking place in our parish at the Cedarwood Centre, Avon Avenue, Meadow Well, NE29 7QT on October 2nd at 6.30pm. The theme of the evening is 'Church of the Poor- So What?' Speakers will be the former MP and national co-ordinator of Church Action on Poverty John Battle and local councillor Margaret Reynolds. Refreshments will be served from 6.00pm. They both will be inspiring speakers

Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Minsteracres Retreat House, Saturday 16th September 2017
The day will be led by Rev. Deacon Jude Newton. The event is open to all Extraordinary Ministers. Tea & coffee will be served from 10:00am, with the day itself starting at 10:30am. Please bring a packed lunch. If you are interested in attending, please forward your name and contact details to the Parish Secretary at St. Mary's, Hexham (01434 603119 or email@stmaryshexham.plus.com) before September Wednesday 6th

Exhibition on the Turin Shroud

Between September 29th and October 6th St. Patrick's Church in Consett is hosting an interactive exhibition, The Holy Shroud, curated by Pam Moon. This exhibition is open to people of all Faiths and none. One of the purposes of the exhibition to tell the story of the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ.. The Exhibition includes a full-size copy of the Shroud of Turin; original Roman nails; a replica scourge and Roman spear. There are also several information boards about the Shroud as depicted in History and in Art and details on the latest scientific research. There will be DVDs shown about the Shroud; a Quiz for children; refreshments and a small stall. Admission is free, donations welcome to cover costs. Opening times: 9am-4pm daily, plus two evening openings until 7pm. For more information contact Maggie Quinn on (01207) 506425.

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

Job Vacancies in the Diocese:

Cathedral Outreach Co-ordinator – St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract.

Children's Ministry Co-ordinator – Durham Martyrs, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract.

Administrator – St Joseph, Stanley, St Patrick, Dipton and The Sacred Heart, Byermoor, 10 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.

Cleaner – St Augustine, Darlington, 14 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.

Cleaner – St Anne, Sunderland, 3 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract.

Youth Ministry Trust – Director of Operations Vacancy - to provide overall leadership to all its activities at the Emmaus (Youth) Village and across the Diocese. 30 hours per week, 2 year fixed term contract.

For further information on any of these vacancies please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us 0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

Bonus Ball

Bonus Ball money due today, Sunday, 3rd September, 4 weeks.

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