

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 4th & 5th November 2017

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

The book of Malachi is at the very end of the Old Testament. The prophet describes that the enthusiastic return from Babylon was followed by a period of disillusionment and slackness in the performance of religious duties. Were the religious leaders really striving to celebrate the covenant between God and Man? It seems not "you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration". The reading pairs well with the Gospel where the leaders were condemned for not practicing what they preach. The Lord looks at the whole person, what face they are showing to the world and what they are keeping back. In fact, those who have a special calling or hold responsibility he watches very closely. God looks at the heart and can see through to men's very thoughts and what is behind them.

Deacon Terry

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP:
BIDDING PRAYER FOR SUNDAYS
AND OTHER OCCASIONS

That in seeking the way ahead for 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

ST MARK'S CHURCH, SHIREMOOR - 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Revd Tony Curtis and the people of St Mark's Anglican Parish, Shiremoor, who celebrate their Golden Jubilee this weekend.

MRS CURRER RIP

Please pray for Fr Anthony Currer's mother who died recently. May she rest in peace. Amen.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST EDWARD'S

Anyone wishing to put deceased members of their family or friends into the book of Remembrance, please fill in a form available next to the book of Remembrance and put into the box provided.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB - ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 6th November in St Edward's Parish rooms after the Service, when we'll have a sale of SHARING FAIR goods and everyone is very welcome to come and shop!

PARISH WALKING GROUP

Gerry Latimer will lead the next walk on Thursday 16 November. This will be six and a half miles starting at Bolam Lake and then into Bolam village to St Andrew's Church. The walk will continue on farm tracks and some quiet roads passing Angerton Hall and on to Hartburn where we will stop at another St Andrew's Church. The return to Bolam Lake is again along tracks and quiet roads. The walk has no steep ascents. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 9.30am. Further information if required from Gerry at gerrylatimer@btinternet.com.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

The next journey in faith session is in the parish rooms at St Edward's on Thursday, 9th November between 7.00pm and 8.30pm. We then have a break until after Christmas and the programme starts again on Thursday, 11th January 2018. Further dates in 2018 will be 25th January, 1st February, 8th February, 1st March, 8th March, 15th March, 22nd March and 5th April.

ST EDWARD'S PIETY STALL

Rota is now ready for collection in Narthex. Christmas cards, Advent calendars, diaries and a good selection of items are now for sale at very reasonable prices.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, 11TH NOVEMBER 2017, 1.00PM - 4.00PM.

For those Eucharistic Ministers who signed up to attend, the programme starts promptly at 1.00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (please have your lunch before attending!!). Tea, coffee and cake will be served at 3.00pm and the programme ends at 4.00pm.

CHURCH & PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Anyone wishing to raise matters should contact one of their church council members whose details are displayed in the Narthex. **ST EDWARD'S** - next meeting is on Monday, 6th November. **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY** - next meeting is on Wednesday, 15th November. **OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S** - next meeting to be announced. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 21st November.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHRISTMAS CARDS

This year we have some special Christmas cards illustrated and produced by our own artist, Peter Hughes. These cards will be on sale at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. All proceeds are for Isaac's House, the home for destitute children in Uganda. Peter has made a poster for the back of church showing a preview of the cards. We look forward to your support.

CHRISTMAS BAGS FOR DEPAUL

It is time to collect items for the Christmas Bags, which we fill for the homeless young people, looked after by Depaul. We have been asked to fill 120 bags with:

St Edward's 60 jars of Coffee, Our Lady's and St Edmund's 50 Multi packs of Chocolate (Mars, Snickers etc) Immaculate Heart of Mary. 60 Jars of Jam. Boxes will be in each church for the next four weeks. For further information phone Ann Garland 0191 2965358 or Sheila Clapperton 0191 2528935. Thank you.

OCTOBER COLLECTIONS

◇ Loose Plate	£2,895
◇ Envelopes	£1,638
◇ Standing Orders	£2,967

SECOND COLLECTIONS

◇ Clergy Training Fund	£824
◇ Christian Blind Mission	£823
◇ World Mission Sunday	£580

OTHER NOTICES

STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The school fayre will take place on Friday, 8th December and it's a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping and help to raise much needed funds for our school. If anyone would like to bake some cakes for the cake stall, donate a raffle prize or man a stall, simply turn up and support the event; it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Julie Bloomfield Julie.bloomfield2810@icloud.com or telephone 07905 246601 for further information .

SWEP (SEVERE WEATHER EMERGENCY PROVISION)

There is no single definition of Severe weather - any conditions that increase the risk of harm to people sleeping rough can be classed as severe. This project runs in conjunction with North Tyneside Council. Our local provision is held in Oxford Street. The building will be open for those sleeping on the Streets during severe weather over the winter months. A strict protocol is in place for people to access the service and Volunteers are needed to help staff the initiative. Volunteers would never be on their own at any time. This is only when temperatures drop below freezing for 3 consecutive nights. If you would like more information please contact Deirdre James 0191 2513740 or email deirdrejames40@yahoo.co.uk.

CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION EVENING DATE ADDED

This new certificate has been custom designed to meet the needs of those wishing to learn more about serving in a faith setting in our Diocese. It is a non-degree certificate that will monitor progress through practice. Integrating online learning with the chance to meet face to face for support, this certificate provides flexibility and accessibility. This exciting opportunity offers world class teaching and resources current to the needs of our partnerships and would be an ideal platform for those wanting to take more of a lead in their faith community. Modules will include titles such as Holiness & Wholeness: How we grow as people of faith / Missionary Disciples: The story of the Church in Britain / Building parish communities / Serving and leading skills and strategies for ministry. The cost of this certificate is £2,000. It is expected that partnerships will explore funding a place with the expectation that the learning is practically explored and developed within the partnership setting. A second Information Session will be held on **Sunday 12th November 2017, 6.00pm – 7.00 pm, St Cuthbert's House, West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY**. For further support and information email Amy Cameron at adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 2433313

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Sat 4th November ST CHARLES BORROMEO	9.30am Fr Michael Conaty (P&GR) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish (and especially those who have died during the last year)	
Sun 5th November 31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Alan Rowe (RR) (and those who have died during the last year)		9.30am John Convey (TW) (and those who have died during the last year)
Mon 6th November	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tues 7th November ST WILLIBRORD	7.00pm Joseph Scanlan (GR)	10.00am Donor's Intentions	
Wed 8th November	9.30am Brian Houldershaw (M&ME) 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Bob Dick (HD)	
Thur 9th November THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	9.30am Jean & Robert Conlan Diamond Wedding Anniversary (JC) 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Special Intention (DJ)	
Fri 10th November ST LEO THE GREAT	9.30am Peter Longstaff (J&MR)	10.00am Walsh Family	
Sat 11th November ST MARTIN OF TOURS	9.30am Peter Markham (PS) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sun 12th November 32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am The Dead of both World Wars		9.30am Tom Witheridge (TW)

BAPTISM	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	ST EDWARD
Sunday, 5th November, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)	Mason James Sykes & Lucia Sophia Sykes	
Sunday, 5th November, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)		Millie Valdez Gray
Sunday, 12th November, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Sofia Italia Di-Meo

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: Rev Andrew France, Norma Smith, Tatyana Zynovieva, Norah Blewitt, Maureen Langlands and Judy Ashton. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Norah Porter, Fr Michael Conaty, Peter Longstaff and John Anderson.

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

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
31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 5TH NOVEMBER 2017
The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First reading

Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10

I am a great king, says the Lord of Hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of Hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. But you, you have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of Hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration. Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors? The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 130:1-3

*Response: **Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.***

1. O Lord, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.
I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me.
2. Truly I have set my soul
in silence and peace.
A weaned child on its mother's breast,
even so is my soul.
3. O Israel, hope in the Lord
both now and forever.

Second reading

1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you. Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 23:1-12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi. 'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.' 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.

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