

**THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year A, 11th & 12th November 2017**

**SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION**

Wisdom created us and the whole world and guides us along our journey in faith. Wisdom is that part of us which is divine, we are made in God's image and therefore we reflect the love that God has for us. We cannot miss the beauty of this week's psalm as it describes the yearning we have to be with God and close to him.

The girls in the gospel were attendants of the bridegroom not bridesmaids as we know them today. Their job was to accompany the bridegroom with their lamps, as he arrived at the wedding reception. Half of them were ready and the other half not. Its message can be applied to our lives. This parable in Matthews gospel looks to the future when there will be a final judgement and to which we are preparing for now. **Deacon Terry**

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2017 - PRAYER**



Into your hands, Eternal God, we entrust the souls of those who have died in war and conflict; who gave their tomorrows that we might have our todays.

Help us to be worthy of the sacrifices they made, and to work for a world in which peace and justice reign; where hearts are no longer broken by the anguish of loss; and where the future you offer to each human person can be fulfilled. We ask this in the name of your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, whose sacrifice of love saved the world. Amen.

*You are invited after Sunday Mass to light a candle at one of the statues in church and to pray for the dead of the world's wars. If all the spaces are taken, just leave your candle on the side and it will be lit later on.*

**PARISH NOTICES**

**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

The annual Remembrance Service for our Partnership Parishes will take place on Thursday, 16th November at 7.30pm in St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. This is a service of prayer, readings and music where we remember all those we love who have died, particularly those who have died within the last year. The names of those entered in the Parish Death Registers over the last 12 months will be read out at the Service. If there is anyone who has died since November 2016 who is not on our Register but you would like them remembered at the Service, please give their name to the Parish Secretary. This invitation is open to everyone in our community. If you know of anyone who may not see the bulletin please extend the invitation to them if you think they would like to attend.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS DURING MASS**

It is our parish custom to include in the Sunday Bidding Prayers the Mass Intention, the names of children to be baptized, and the names of those who are sick and those who have died recently. It is important that the priest is directly informed a few days before the Mass of any other announcements, such as a word of welcome for particular individuals or groups, and blessings for occasions such as wedding anniversaries. Please let the Parish Office know by phone or email, or let the priest know a few days beforehand.  
Mgr Andrew.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Raymond Crozier, formerly of Whitley Bay, who died on 30th October. His funeral will be celebrated at 1.30pm on Thursday, 16th November at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

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

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 13th November in St Edward's Parish rooms after the Service, when Nevis will tell us about the work of The Special Operations Executive in France during World War Two and everyone is very welcome. (If anyone has not given us their menu choice and paid for the Christmas lunch can you please do so on Monday as we have to confirm our arrangements with the restaurant, thank you.)

### **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS PLANNING**

There will be a planning meeting at 10.30am on Tuesday, 14th November at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church to agree Advent and Christmas 2017. All are welcome.

### **JUSTICE & PEACE**

The next meeting is at St Edward's on Tuesday, 14th November. We meet in the Parish Rooms at 6.00pm and new members are always welcome.

### **CHURCH & PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Anyone wishing to raise matters should contact one of their church council members whose details are displayed in the Narthex. IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH - next meeting is on Wednesday, 15th November. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 21st November.

### **PARISH WALKING GROUP**

Gerry Latimer will lead the next walk on Thursday, 16th 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](mailto:gerrylatimer@btinternet.com).

The group will celebrate their Christmas walk on Friday, 1st December. This will be a short walk followed by a meal in The Cannon, Earsdon. All those who want a meal please leave your name with Peter Weighill (0191 2512917) before Wednesday, 22nd November.

### **FAIR TRADE SALE AT ST EDWARD'S**

The last Fair Trade Sale before Christmas will take place on Sunday, 19th November at St Edward's Church.

### **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 three weeks. For further information phone Ann Garland 0191 2965358 or Sheila Clapperton 0191 2528935. Thank you.

### **THANKS**

Jacqueline Atkinson, Christian Blind Mission Community Co-ordinator for the UK emailed to thank the parish for the recent donation. She was overwhelmed with the generous support shown and wanted us to know that this will pay for more than 21 pairs of spectacles, giving 21 people the chance of sight restoration. So a big thank you to all parishioners on behalf of CBM.

### **OTHER NOTICES**

#### **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](mailto:deirdrejames40@yahoo.co.uk).

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Sat 11th November <b>ST MARTIN OF TOURS</b>	9.30am Peter Markham (PS) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sun 12th November <b>32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am The Dead of both World Wars		9.30am Tom Witheridge (TW)
Mon 13th November	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tues 14th November	7.00pm Special Intention (EM)	10.00am Nancy & Robert	
Wed 15th November <b>ST ALBERT THE GREAT</b>	9.30am Maura Logue 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Shelagh Brown (EB)	
Thur 16th November <b>ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON</b>	9.30am Donor's Intentions 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Alfred Hodson (EH)	
Fri 17th November <b>ST HILDA OF WHITBY</b>	9.30am The Holy Souls	10.00am Margaret Mary Murphy	
Sat 18th November <b>THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SS PETER &amp; PAUL</b>	9.30am Lily & Albert Riley (EW) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Marian DiMascio (PO)	
Sun 19th November <b>33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	11.00am People of the Parish		9.30am Jim Daniels (MD)

BAPTISM	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	ST EDWARD
Sunday, 12th November, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)		Sofia Italia Di-Meo
Sunday, 19th November, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)	Anna Agnes Courtney	

**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 Peter Longstaff, John Anderson and Brenda Curren.

### 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.

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.

**READINGS AT MASS**  
**32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 12TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
*The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.*

**First reading**

**Wisdom 6:12-16**

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 62:2-8**

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

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

**Second reading**

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia

**Gospel**

**Matthew 25:1-13**

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you. Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Memorial Acclamation**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.