# Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

St Edward, Coquet Avenue, Whitley Bay, NE26 1EE Immaculate Heart of Mary, Church Close, Monkseaton, NE25 9PG Our Lady and St Edmund, Station Road, Backworth, NE27 ORU

2ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year B, 13th & 14th January 2018

#### SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

Christmas is behind us and we are now in Ordinary Time, before we know it the season of Lent will be upon us. In the first reading the high priest Eli introduces Samuel to the Lord. When Samuel hears a voice in the night he assumes the old priest is calling him. Samuel has no knowledge of the Word of God, but Eli has grown to recognise the strangeness of God's call and its power. He introduces the young boy to the word of the Lord. So Samuel learns to respond; "Speak Lord, your servant is listening". The encounter that Samuel experienced was transformative; a bond had been forged between himself and God. The gospel records an example of how John the Baptist was ready to decrease his role so that Jesus could increase his public mission to the people. When we reflect on the beginnings of our own Christian faith, we recall the people who introduced us to Jesus. Most of us can think of a person who enabled us to begin our journey in faith. None of us goes alone to Jesus. Once we are established as followers, we have to play our part in introducing others to Jesus. We don't have to be great missionaries to do this; if we believe that Jesus is worth knowing, we will bring others into his loving presence by our quiet witness.

Deacon Terry

#### **PARTNERSHIP PRAYER**

That in seeking the way ahead for our Tynemouth Priory Partnership, we will be open to your Holy Spirit.

We seek the intercession of Our Blessed Lady and all our Partnership saints.

Lord hear us. / Lord in your mercy.

#### **PARISH NOTICES**

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

- Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Mr Charles Anthony Patrick Donachy, of Monkseaton who died on 27th December 2017 aged 78. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated in St Edward's Church at 12.00pm on Tuesday, 23rd January, followed by cremation at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Norah Annie McLackland, of Monkseaton who died on 1st January 2018 aged 98. Her funeral service and burial will be at Preston Cemetery and held at 11.00am Monday, 15th January 2018. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Josie Gilboy of Whitley Bay who died on 7th January aged 85. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Edward's Church at 10.00am on 25th January followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.

#### WHITE FLOWER APPEAL

This weekend there will be an appeal on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC). SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades. Please be as generous as you can.

# PARISH MONDAY CLUB - ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 15th January in St Edward's Parish Rooms after the Service, when Andrew Clark will return to talk to us. His topic this time will be "Wartime Memories" and once again he'll bring artefacts from that era. Andrew's talks are both interesting and entertaining and everyone is very welcome.

#### PARISH WALKING GROUP

The next Church Walk will take place on Monday, 15th January and will be lead by David and Pauline Warren. The walk will commence from the church at 9.30am and follow good footpaths and tracks through Earsdon and Holywell down to the coast. We will return via St Mary's Lighthouse and Whitley Bay Golf Course. Telephone 0191 2515404 for further information.

# **RED BOXES**

St Edward's - it is now time for the first quarter of the year for mission boxes to be emptied. The books are now ready in the Narthex for collection. Could all monies, including parishioners who bring their boxes to the church, be returned to Mary Nugent by the end of this month.

#### **IMMACULATE HEART PYX AMNESTY**

If anyone has a Pyx which belongs to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church that is not being used regularly could it be returned to the Sacristy please? Could those who do use one regularly please let us know so we can keep track of them. Deirdre James 0191 2513740 deirdrejames40@yahoo.co.uk

# **FAIR TRADE SALE**

The next Fair Trade sale will be held at St Edward's Church on Sunday, 21st January.

# PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 23rd January 2018 after evening Mass in the Parish house. If you would like any matter raised, please contact one of your Church representatives (details in the Narthex).

#### **GIFT AID**

The parish have received a refund from the Inland Revenue of £12,791 for the year ended 31st March 2017. Our thanks to all who Gift Aid their contributions. If any tax payer would like to join the scheme please contact Michael Reynolds on 0191 6704364.

# OTHER NOTICES

# WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2018 – 24th JANUARY, ST PAUL'S CHURCH, WHITLEY BAY

There will be a Unity Service in St Paul's Church, Whitey Bay, at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 24th January. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# **MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES 2018**

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MASS INTENTIONS				
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S	
Saturday 13th January ST HILARY	9.30am Jack & Rita Donnelly & Kathleen Keeler (M&MQ) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Deceased Memebrs of The Wilkinson Family (LS)		
Sunday 14th January 2ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Deceased Members of The Scanlan Family (GR)		9.30am People of the Parish	
Monday 15th January	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion		
Tuesday 16th January	7.00pm Robert Cavendar (JC)	10.00am Donor's Intentions		
Wednesday 17th January ST ANTHONY	9.30am Malcolm Louvre (LL) 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Paddy Buckley		
Thursday 18th January	9.30am Margaret Last (PK) 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Maureen Horgan		
Friday 19th January ST WULSTAN	9.30am Maureen Cairns (AM)	10.00am Donor's Intentions		
Saturday 20th January ST FABIAN	9.30am Bob Vaughan (JMcD) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	6.00pm Michael Boyle		
Sunday 21st January 3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Daniel Riveroll Soria (EM)		9.30am People of the Parish	

BAPTISM	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY & ST EDMUND
14th January, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)	Fletcher James Johnson	
21st January, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Alice Morland

<u>Please remember in your prayers</u> those who are ill: John Little, Norma Smith, Tatyana Zynovieva, Norah Blewitt, Maureen Langlands, Judy Ashton, Jane Storey and Paul Thomson. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Margaret Thomson, Robert Chrisp, Paddy Gribbon, Maureen Cairns, Norah Annie McLackland, Charles Donachy and Josie Gilboy.

#### **Hospital Chaplaincies**

**North Tyneside General Hospital,** Rake Lane, North Shields & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Northumbria Way, Cramlington: Contact Fr Stephen Watson or Fr Lee Barrett on 07768 387393.

**RVI, Freeman and Walkergate Hospitals**: Contact Fr Arockia Mariadass Pagyasamy OCD, at St Teresa's, Heaton Road, Newcastle on 0191 265 5290.

Newcastle General Hospital: Sister Teresa, 0191 2336161 ext. 28465.

#### Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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#### Priests' telephone numbers

Monsignor Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Father Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Father Chris Hughes 0191 2575801, Fr John McElhone 0191 2623820, Fr David Smith 0191 2623882. 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 or telephone 0191 2527066.

Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 12.00 noon on Thursdays.

# READINGS AT MASS 2ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 14TH JANUARY 2018

The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First reading Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel! Was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Psalm Psalm 39:2,4,7-10

# Response: Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

- I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
   He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.
- In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
   My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.
- You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
   You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I.
- Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
   My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

Second reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God. 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 John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher –'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock. 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.