

MASS READINGS
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

FIRST READING

The people of Nineveh renounce their evil behaviour.

Jonah 3:1-5. 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lord, make me know your ways.

Psalm 24

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
 Lord, teach me your paths.
 Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
 for you are God my saviour.
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
 and the love you have shown from of old.
 In your love remember me,
 because of your goodness, O Lord.
3. The Lord is good and upright.
 He shows the path to those who stray,
 he guides the humble in the right path;
 he teaches his way to the poor.

SECOND READING

The world as we know it is passing away.

Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! The kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the Good News. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Repent, and believe the Good News.

Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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Sunday, 21st January 2018 – 3rd Sunday of the Year

Masses, Devotions and Services

		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday	20 th January	4:45pm-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass: Gus Shotton	
Sunday	21 st January 3 rd Sunday of the Year B	11:00am Mass: Elizabeth Callendar	9:30am Mass: Gloria & Jun Gascon
Monday	22 nd January	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday	23 rd January		9:30am: Mass: 7:00pm: Childrens First Confessions
Wednesday	24 th January	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:	
Thursday	25 th January Conversion of St Paul the Apostle		9:30am Mass:
Friday	26 th January St Timothy of St Titus Bishops	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass:	
Saturday	27 th January	4:45pm-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass:	
Sunday	28 th January 4 th Sunday of the Year B	11:00am Mass: Gus Shotton	9:30am Mass:

Bidding Prayers and our Partnership

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

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, Patricia Conlon, Betty Hill, Mel Mitchell, 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, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater and Katie McVay. Please pray for all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries are at this time.

White Flower Appeal

The Society for the Protection of Unborn children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal in our parish of the 20-21st January 2018. 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 to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and their mothers, and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country by decriminalisation.

Evangelism and Proclaiming the Gospel in our parish

As you know Fr Chris believes that there are a number of activities that as a parish we should be involved in our union with Christ. He is delighted that a pastoral carers group has been established. Another area that needs our attention is how we proclaim, witness and present ourselves as a community of disciples to those beyond our parish. This activity is often known as evangelism. If anyone is interested in being involved in this important aspect of parish life there will be a meeting at St Joseph's on Tuesday January 30th at 7pm. All are welcome

Change of Mass Times

This and next weekend the parish is able to express their view on what Mass times are to be in responding to the Bishop deciding that all Churches in the partnership should have just one Mass in each Church. Voting will close after the 11.00am Mass at St Cuthbert's, next weekend, January 28th.

Each parishioner from the age of receiving First Holy Communion (Year 4 at Primary school) is entitled to vote. Once the votes have been counted Fr Chris will inform the Bishop for him to make the final decision.

The options are as follows:

Option A
St Joseph's Sunday 9.30am
St Cuthbert's Sunday 11.00am

Option B
St Cuthbert's Saturday 5.30pm
St Joseph's Sunday 9.30am

Option C
St Joseph's Saturday 5.30pm
St Cuthbert's Sunday at 11.00am.

The last opportunity to vote is after the 11.00am Mass on January 28th

Centre for Catholic Studies

Forthcoming events include:

Thursday 1 February 2018: 'What is the Point of our Praising the Saints?' The Convergence of Theory and Practice in 12th Century Saints' Cults. 5.30pm, Durham City.

Ushaw Lecture Series:

Wednesday 24 January 2018: Sin, Confession and Politics: Royal Confessions in Seventeenth-Century Catholic Europe. 6pm, Ushaw College.

18 - 20 April 2018: Centre for Catholic Studies 10th Anniversary Celebratory Conference: Catholic Theology in the Public Academy: Searching the Questions, Sounding the Depths.

Early registration advised as we expect this to be a popular event.

More information on these events and how to reserve your place are available here.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/centre-for-catholic-studies-durham-university-12053530194>

Coming up at Minsteracres:

Walking retreat - Wednesday 21 February

Quiet days of reflection during Lent:

Wednesday 28 February – Sr. Rosarie Spence RSM

Wednesday 7 March – Kathryn Turner

Wednesday 14 March – Sr. Anne McCarthy RSCJ

Wednesday 21 March – Sr. Sheila McNamara RSCJ

Love and suffering - Karen Kilby

Saturday 10 March, 10am - 4pm, with lunch provided

Friends of Minsteracres - Minsteracres team

A retreat for volunteers and friends of Minsteracres.

Friday 16 - Sunday 18 March

For more about Minsteracres and to see our new 2018 programme visit our website or call us on 01434 673248.

Homeless Sunday 2018

From Housing Justice

Each year Housing Justice join our sister organisation Scottish Churches Housing Action in organising Homeless Sunday. 2018's event will take place on Sunday 28th January.

Homeless Sunday is a chance for Churches and Christian groups from across the country join together to pray, reflect and plan practical action on homelessness, but also for a united christian voice to offer solidarity and be a prophetic voice for change.

Here are the ways you can get involved;

Send us a written reflection on what home means to you, or send us a video or picture with a short message on the same theme.

Use a file transferring system and send via info@housingjustice.org.uk mark the subject line as Homeless Sunday. Support Housing Justice through a donation (to donate to Scottish Churches Housing Action, click here) You can donate on: <https://www.housingjustice.org.uk>

We want this to be the biggest Homeless Sunday ever, for Christians across the United Kingdom to be aware of the growing homelessness crises in Britain, to increase the numbers active in addressing it and to send a message to policy makers that Christians are adamant that in the fifth richest economy in world, no one should be without a home that truly meets their needs.

North Tyneside's Volunteering Centre is looking for local people aged 50 and over to get involved in a short-term volunteering project and make a real difference in the local community.

Volunteering in North Tyneside

The Friends of North Tyneside project is a 12-week programme, which offers volunteers the chance to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of children, young adults and older and isolated residents in the borough. By volunteering two days a week for three months, participants will join a team to plan and deliver a range of sessions and activities that will have a positive impact on people in the local area. There are so many benefits to taking part in a volunteering programme such as this. It's not a long-term commitment, it's a time-limited project and the volunteers will get to see the real results of their participation at the end of their projects. Plus it's a fantastic way to meet new people, take on new challenges and have some fun! We know that people in this age bracket have a lot to give in terms of their skills, experience and knowledge. We want to really harness that and put it to good use to solve issues in the community such as social isolation and getting young people ready for work. No skills or volunteering experience are necessary, just a willingness to take part and the commitment of volunteering two days a week for 12 weeks. The majority of Friends of North Tyneside activities are based at the Cedarwood Trust, and the next programme will begin w/c Monday 22 January. A fun and interactive taster session will take place the week before in order to give anyone interested in taking part more information about the project and to have a go at some of the activities they might be involved in. If interested contact: Amy Millar at: Amy.millar@voda.org.uk or on: 0191 6432625 or Ian Dodds at: ian.dodds@voda.org.uk or on: 0191 6432639

RC Chaplain Post at HMP Durham

A Chaplaincy job in an establishment which provides pastoral and faith specific care to prisoners and staff. The minimum qualification for this post is normally the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies. 37 hour working week - this role requires working regular unsocial hours Salary: £25,920 - £29,176 Closing date for application is 30th January 2018. Further details can be found at: <https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-2/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/15634-15634-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Priest-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Deacon-Brother-Sister-Lay-Person/en-GB>

Peace Sunday

As mentioned last week-end it was Peace Sunday. A member of the Justice and Peace group in Sacred Heart North Gosforth has asked if this prayer for peace could be made available to parishioners.

PEACE PRAYER

Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.
Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust.
Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace.
Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe
Peace, Peace, Peace



Revive the Passion for Relationship with Christ

Following its very successful launch on 6th January, you are invited to a day on Saturday 27th January 10am-4pm at St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields with Fr Michael Hickey and Michael and Hilda Hedley to explore who God is, what the church is about, who we are, to revel in God's love for us and reconnect with him in our world. Tea & coffee will be provided but bring your own lunch. To book a place please phone Fr. Michael on 07912 060 628.

Blessing of Animals

In celebration of St Anthony of Egypt who is the patron saint of Animals, we will have the blessing of Animals at St Cuthbert's on Sunday 21st January at 4.00pm. All creatures welcome

Northern Catholic Calendar

Copies of the 2018 Northern Catholic Calendar are now available for sale. 'Flat' Copies £3.00. Ringbound £3.50

Children's Liturgy of the Word Study Day

Fundamentals of Children's Liturgy of the Word At St. Hilda's Resource Centre West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY on Saturday 3rd February 2018—10:30am—3:30pm (Registration and refreshments from 10:00am) If interested, please contact Fr Chris or Catherine, the Parish Administrator to book or contact the Department for Liturgy on :- Tel: 0191 243 3312 Email: liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk

First Confessions

On Tuesday, 23rd January, at 7:00pm at St Joseph's we have our First Confessions for our children preparing to make their First Holy Communion in June. Please pray for our children as they receive this special sacrament.

Thank you

Many thanks to Fr Chris and everyone for all their prayers, help and love which was shown to us after the death of dad. Kind regards from Linda Shotton and all Gus's family.

Social Events

Tuesday 13th February – 7:30pm at St Cuthbert's Pancake Night with raffle. £3 per ticket.

Sunday 23th February – Soup Sunday - Soup with bun plus raffle. £2.50. Money to be donated to Mary's Meals.

Saturday 10th March – Jumble Sale. All donations gratefully received. No electricals.

Collections – 14th January 2018
£873.14

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