

**5TH SUNDAY OF LENT, Year B, 17th & 18th March 2018**

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

**SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION**

The prophet Jeremiah has a message of salvation, which is both inspiring and challenging. At its heart is the promise of a new agreement or covenant with the people of God. They had broken every other covenant but now the relationship is to be restored and there is a message of hope and forgiveness. Where the old covenant included laws inscribed on stone tablets, the new covenant will be written on the hearts of individual people. Whilst the old one required external conformity, the new one will call for an internal commitment and transformation. The reading indicates a special relationship where "I will be their God and they shall be my people" The moving gospel reading is the immediate prelude to the account of the Last Supper and the Passion. It is full of Jesus' dread at what he knows is approaching. It expresses his very human fear, his unshakeable commitment to his task and his loving confidence in his Father's care.

**Deacon Terry**

**TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GROUP – VISION STATEMENT**

The Partnership Development Group worked last Saturday with Amy Cameron - Diocesan Discipleship Coordinator - and agreed the following vision statement:

*We aim to be open to the Holy Spirit in prayer and humble trust, creating a vibrant Church for the future, a welcoming faith community called to grow in the love of God.*

*We aspire to bring Jesus into the community, providing opportunities for all to find their way in the Church to belong, participate and thrive.*

The group will now work with this vision to develop the aims and purposes of our partnership of six parishes in North Tyneside. Mgr Andrew.

	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b>	<b>OUR LADY'S &amp; ST EDMUND'S</b>
Mondays in Lent	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesdays in Lent	6.45pm: Stations of the Cross & Mass		
Wednesdays in Lent	8.00pm - 9.00pm Prayer Group in the Parish Rooms		
Thursdays in Lent		7.00pm, Stations of the Cross	
Fridays in Lent		10.45am, Lent Reflection Group in the Upper Room	Good Friday, 10.00am Children's Stations of the Cross
Saturdays in Lent	10.00am Confessions	5.30pm, Confessions in the Ground Floor Meeting Room	

**LENT & HOLY WEEK 2018 - JOURNEYING TOGETHER**

**Lent reflections** - The final session will be held at 10.45am on Friday, 23rd March in the upper room at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. We'll be looking at the following poems from Janet Morley's 'The heart's time': The Kingdom, *R S Thomas, p 97*; The Skylight, *Seamus Heaney, p 100*; The Donkey, *G K Chesterton, p 114*.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available throughout Lent on Saturdays at St Edward's Church, 10.00 - 10.30am, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5.30 - 6.00pm, and by appointment. The Sacrament is also available at regular times posted in the churches of our Partnership Parishes.

Children's Stations of the Cross will be held on Good Friday at 10.00am at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Jayne Storey who died on 8th March. Her Requiem Mass will be held at St Edward's Church on Monday, 26th March at 12.00pm followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.

## PARISH NOTICES

### FAIR TRADE

There will be a Fair Trade sale this Sunday at St Edward's Church.

### IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The rearranged meeting will be held on Monday, 19th March at 7.00pm in the upper room.

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

- The Parish Monday Club will meet on 19th March in St Edward's Parish Rooms after the Service, when we will have a coffee morning in aid of the SVP and everyone is very welcome.
- There will be no meeting on 26th March because of the Requiem Mass.

### HOLY WEEK PREPARATION MEETING

There will be a meeting to prepare for Holy Week and the Triduum on Tuesday, 20th March at 10.45am in the Upper Meeting Room at Immaculate Heart Church. All are welcome.

### OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S CHURCH ROTAS

The new rotas from April onwards are now available at the back of church.

### PARISH WALKING GROUP

The next walk on Wednesday, 21st March will be the six mile Three Bridges Walk through the Tyne Riverside Park between Wylam and Low Prudhoe, crossing Wylam Bridge, Hagg Bank Bridge and Ovingham Bridge. The walk is along paths and tracks with no steep ascents, taking in views of the River Tyne and the Spetchells (white chalk heaps). The route is steeped in the history of the early railways for the historians among us. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for a 9.30am departure. (Abseiling from Hagg Bank Bridge requires a permit.) Further information, if required, from Gerry Latimer on 0191 2516989.

### PARTNERSHIP LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE – 22ND MARCH 2018

There will be a Lent Penitential Service for the six Parishes of our Partnership at 7.00pm on Thursday, 22nd March at **St Bernadette's Church**, Wallsend. All are welcome.

### EASTER EGG TOMBOLA - OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S CHURCH

We would be pleased to receive donations of chocolate eggs for our annual Easter Sunday fundraiser and coffee morning to be held after Mass on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your usual generosity.

### ST EDWARD'S CHURCH CLEANING

If you have any spare time to help prepare the church for the Easter celebrations please contact the Parish Secretary so a suitable date and time can be arranged.

### PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next luncheon club will take place at 12 noon on Wednesday, 28th March at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

### GIFT AID

The new boxes of envelopes start on Easter Sunday, 1st April 2018. The boxes will be available in the next few days at the back of church. If you no longer have a tax liability or have any questions or wish to join the Gift Aid scheme, please contact Michael Reynolds (0191 6704364). For every **£1 per week** that you donate, **£13 per year** must be paid in income tax/capital gains tax.

### POPE FRANCIS 'SHARE THE JOURNEY' CAMPAIGN (CAFOD): OUR LENTEN PROJECT

The Walk has been rearranged for Sunday, 15th April starting from Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church walking to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church then continuing on to St Edward's Church. A total of 3½ miles. We don't want your money, only the total number of miles walked in solidarity with refugees around the world. More information to follow.

### NORTHERN MEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2018

The pilgrimage to our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham will take place this year on Friday and Saturday 29th & 30th June and Sunday 1st July. The cost, which includes coach travel, bed, breakfast and evening meals plus a traditional Sunday lunch is £150. A £50 deposit is required to secure a place. For details contact John Ross 0191 4404391 or John Robertson 0191 4877790.

### THANK YOU

To all those who donated Chronicle wish tokens. Girl Guiding North Tyneside received £88.16 from them.

## OTHER NOTICES

**ANNUAL TRAINING FOR CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS** or those interested in becoming catechists, will take place this year within the Youth Ministry Conference on Saturday 12th May at St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn. Details on the booking form.

## **PRACTICAL STEPS FOR PARISHES AND PARTNERSHIPS**

A conference will take place on Saturday 12th May at St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn to help parishes and partnerships engage with young people in their communities. The keynote speaker is Fr Dominic Howarth, responsible for Youth Services in Brentwood Diocese, and the programme includes 12 workshops. The conference is for everyone who is concerned about our young people and will offer inspiring examples of good practice. The conference fee is £10 and includes lunch. Further details are in the booking forms available in parishes, downloadable from [www.ymt.org](http://www.ymt.org) or contact [admin@ymt.org](mailto:admin@ymt.org)

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b>	<b>OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S</b>
Saturday 17th March <b>ST PATRICK</b>	9.30am Holy Souls 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm Helen Norman (SF)	
Sunday 18th March <b>5TH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	11.00am Monica & George Thrift (MT)		9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 19th March <b>ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	9.30am Maureen Cairns (TL)	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 20th March <b>ST CUTHBERT</b>	6.45pm Stations of the Cross and Mass Joan Mildred Leeder & John Styles (EF)	10.00am Colin Walker (GM)	
Wednesday 21st March	9.30am Jayne Storey (Monday Club) 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Donor's Intentions	
Thursday 22nd March	9.30am Bernard Kelly (RR) 7.00pm Compline	10.00am Margaret & John Reid 7.00pm Stations of the Cross	
Friday 23rd March <b>ST TURIBIUS OF MONGROVEJO</b>	9.30am Marian & Vera Wilson (AW)	10.00am Paul Butler	
Saturday 24th March	9.30am Donato Di Giorgio (AW)	6.00pm People of the Parish (especially the children preparing for first Holy Communion) (Pastoral Care Team)	
Sunday 25th March <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	11.00am Mary Hegarty (JH)		9.30am Mary Ann Murphy (PC)

**Please remember in your prayers** those who are ill: John Little, Norma Smith, Tatyana Zinovyeva, Judy Ashton and Joan Skelton. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Kay Robson, Margaret Mary Bell, Doreen Smith and Jayne Storey.

### **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:**

Monsignor Andrew Faley (St. Edward) [stedwardsne26@btconnect.com](mailto:stedwardsne26@btconnect.com) (0191) 2528021

Star of the Sea Primary School [starofthesea.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:starofthesea.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk) (0191) 6432080

**Cluster Website** [www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk](http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk)

### **Priests' telephone numbers**

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 [parishofficecolss@btconnect.com](mailto:parishofficecolss@btconnect.com) or telephone 0191 2527066.**

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

**READINGS AT MASS**  
**5TH SUNDAY OF LENT, 18TH MARCH 2018**

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

**First reading**

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 50:3-4,12-15**

*Response: A pure heart create for me, O God.*

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offence.  
O wash me more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin.
2. A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit
3. Give me again the joy of your help;  
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,  
that I may teach transgressors your ways  
and sinners may return to you.

**Second reading**

**Hebrews 5:7-9**

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will my servant be. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

**Gospel**

**John 12:20-33**

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, ‘Sir, we should like to see Jesus.’ Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them: ‘Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will save it. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!’ A voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, ‘It was an angel speaking to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. ‘Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.’ By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die. 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.