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5th Sunday of Lent Year B – 18th March 2018

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	18 th	5 th Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Jer 31: 31-34, Heb 5: 7-9 John 12:20-30
			St M	11.00am	Mary & Maureen Smith (SC)	
Mon	19 th	St Joseph	St M	9.30am	Francis & Mary Wrightson (SB)	Sam 7:4-16,Rom 4:13-22,Mat 1:16-24
Tue	20 th	St Cuthbert	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Ezek 34: 11-16, John 10: 11
Wed	21 st	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	Dan 3: 14-95, John 8: 31-42
Thu	22 nd	Weekday of Lent	St M	12 noon	Requiem Mass: Martin Kenny	
Fri	23 rd	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Mike Lockwood (WPL)	Jer 20: 10-13, John 10: 31-42
Sat	24 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Maureen Cairns (TR)	Ezk 37: 21-28, John 11: 45-56
Sun	25 th	Palm Sunday	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Is 50: 4-7, Phil 2: 6-11 Mark 14: 1-15:47
			St M	11.00am	Denis Cassidy (BC)	
SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - and available on request (Rosary at St Oswin's (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)						

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in March: Steve Bociek, June Barnsley, Robert Laughlan, Monica Flynn, Brenda Miller, Lyn Johnson, Betty Briggs, Fred Stimpson, Susan McGregor, Jacky Armstrong, Jane Moore, Sara Hyslop, Bernard & Eileen Cass.

Anniversaries: Miranda Moore, Mike Lockwood, Anna Bradley, Dorothy Robinson, Maureen Harvey, Maureen Manning.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Martin Kenny** and **Anne Headley** who died recently. Details of Martin Kenny's Requiem mass shown above. May they rest in peace.

Holy Week Choir Practice - meeting each **Tues at 7.30pm** at St Mary's. All welcome.

Lent Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on **Friday evenings at St Mary's during Lent at 6.30pm.**

Children's Stations of the Cross – Good Friday – 10.00am at St Oswin's: Any parents who would like their children to participate in this, please let Fr Martin know.

Lenten Cross at St Mary's - in our community there are hurts and crosses carried by many, often times secretly. Jesus has told us to come to him with our crosses "Come to me you who labour and overburdened and I will give you rest". Those who may be struggling in carrying a Cross might like to put one of the tacks into the Cross and in this way join their cross to Christ's Cross and allow him to share the load.

CAFOD Family Fast Day. Please remember to return your fast day envelopes as soon as possible.

The Times of our Holy Week services will be as follows:

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Holy Thursday St O 7.30pm
The Passion: Good Friday St M 3.00pm
The Easter Vigil: Holy Saturday St M 8.00pm

Gift Aid/Planned Giving envelopes are still available **TODAY** at **both** churches. Please collect your box as you leave church. If you no longer have a tax liability, please advise Allan Muir (253 2252). For **every £1 per week** that is paid, **£13 per annum** must be paid in income tax/capital gains tax.

St Cuthbert's Care Lenten Alms Appeal 2018. Envelopes available at the back of the church for those who wish to donate.

Lenten Talks: next talk will take place at St Cuthbert's church, North Shields, **Weds 21 March, 7.00pm** – 'My God, My God, why have you forsaken me' Hearing the voices of victims of torture', Tony Wright.

Partnership Lent Penitential Service will take place at **St Bernadette's in Wallsend at 7.00pm on Thurs 22 March.**

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 or contact admin@ymt.org

The Society for the Protection of unborn Children has launched a petition calling on the Prime Minister not to give any parliamentary support to moves to decriminalise abortion. Decriminalising abortion will strip from unborn children any remaining effective legal protection from abortion. Please support this petition. You can sign online at www.spuc.org.uk. *Thank you.*

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The prophet Jeremiah tells a shattered people that God has not forsaken them, but will soon make a new and more intimate covenant with them.

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.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 50

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

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| 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

Through his obedience and suffering Christ became the source of eternal life for us.

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.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! If a man serves me, says the Lord, he must follow me: wherever I am, my servant will be there too. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-30

In his death Jesus will be glorified and this will bring life to those who follow him.

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 keep it for the eternal life. 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.

Question of the week

(for further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

When and in what way have you seen life come from death?