

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, Year B, 14th April & 15th April 2018

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

When we read about how the disciples experienced the resurrection it can feel remote and that it happened 2000 years ago. We need to make sense of the fact that the resurrection is for all times including our own. How can we bring alive the same joyful encounter with the Lord? Perhaps the answer is in the first sentence of today's Gospel: "They recognised him at the breaking of the bread" What does this recognition require of us? Jesus is at the heart of all our experience of Church and faith, the innocent sufferer who was prophesied to come and give himself for the salvation of the world. He is a real person, rooted in the history of a real people. When the disciples recognised the risen Lord at the breaking of bread their eyes were opened to its full meaning. For us to encounter the risen Lord we need to embrace the deep meaning of our religious heritage. At the heart of this stands the Eucharist which every day purifies us in the love of God and allows our hearts to be totally transformed. **Deacon Terry**

PARISH NOTICES

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTION – LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

A collection will be taken for the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor at all Masses on Sunday 21st - 22nd April (Good Shepherd Sunday) in all churches. Gift Aid envelopes will be available for those who pay tax. I encourage people to be as generous as possible as we are very grateful for the terrific work of the Sisters in our Diocese especially the care of our sick and retired priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Maureen Langlands of Monkseaton, who died on 6th April. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 1.45pm on Thursday, 19th April, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.

MASS CHANGES

From Wednesday, 18th April, Mass will be celebrated alternatively in St Edward's Church and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church due to Fr Tom's surgery on 20th April. Please see the bulletin for details.

CAFOD: 'SHARE THE JOURNEY'

This year, the Holy Father urges us to reach out to our brothers and sisters who are forced to flee their homes. This new campaign is called *Share the Journey*. You can *Share the Journey* by joining us on a walk. This is not just any walk, this is a walk around the world. Parishes across England and Wales, including our own will be walking to show solidarity with people on the move. Together, we are aiming for 24,900 miles - the distance around the world. CAFOD will use this shared journey to deliver a powerful message to world leaders, who meet in September 2018 to agree two global agreements on refugees and migrations. Our Walk is on Sunday 15th April 2.30 pm starting at St Edmund's, walking to Immaculate Heart of Mary (2 miles) then onto St Edward's (1½ miles), 3½ miles in total. You can do as much or as little of the walk as you wish. Transport will be available back to your vehicle if required. Northumberland Park Metro station is close to St Edmunds. Bring the baby in the pram or the dog on its lead. All are welcome. We are not after your money only your miles walked.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB - ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 16th April in St Edward's Parish Rooms after the Service, when Nigel Thomas will return to talk about: "Israel Down the Generations," a history of Israel and the West Bank of the Jordan. He will cover the period from the birth of Our Lord to the present day using images taken during a recent visit to Israel, this promises to be both interesting and informative and everyone is very welcome.

PARISH WALKING GROUP

The proposed walk which appeared in last week's bulletin has been changed. On Thursday, 19th April, Gerry Latimer will lead a six mile walk around the Hill Forts in the Breamish Valley. Some steep ascents. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for 9.30am departure. Further information if required from Gerry on 0191 2516989.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

The end of this phase of the journey in faith sessions is on Faith, Evangelisation and Mission, in the parish rooms at St Edward's Church on Thursday, 19th April between 7.00pm and 8.30pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION: OFFERTORY, 21ST & 22ND APRIL 2018

We welcome the First Holy Communion children and their families to continue their journey in preparation for their First Holy Communion. The fourth session on 'Offertory' will be at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 21st April and at St Edward's on Sunday, 22nd April. Please keep them and the Catechists in your prayers.

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH NINETIETH ANNIVERSARY

Monday, 23rd April will be the Ninetieth Anniversary of the opening of St Edward's Church. Mgr Andrew will say a special Mass on that day, followed by tea/coffee/cake in the Parish Rooms. Everyone is very welcome - there will be no charge but donations to the Young Vincentians, the young peoples' wing of the SVP will be much appreciated.

MISSION BOXES

It is time for the Spring collection. Please bring your boxes to church

- **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH:** Please leave your boxes in the Narthex or Reception office. If your box has just been emptied, please take a Spring magazine from the Narthex. Many thanks.
- **ST EDWARD'S CHURCH:** The books are now ready in the Narthex for collection. Could all monies, including parishioners who bring their boxes to the church, be returned by the end of this month.
- **OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S CHURCH:** Please bring your boxes to church by the end of this month.

40 NIGHTS OF NIGHTSTOP

The boxes that you've filled during Lent can be placed in the large box at the back of each church this weekend.

WALKING WITH REFUGEES

In the past two or three years the number of refugees supported by Walking With has more than doubled. They need our help with food donations more than ever. While doing your weekly shop could you pick up an extra tin of soup, meat, fruit or dried goods to boost their stock to help these needy people? There is a box at the back of Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

THANKS

- Thank you to all those who so generously donated eggs for the Tombola at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church and gave gifts of money, and to those who on the day bought tickets. Also to our great helpers who organised our Tombola which made the magnificent total of £164.00 for our charity International Refugee Trust. There were about half a dozen eggs left which have been given to the Walking with Refugees.
- Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD continue until 12th May and will be doubled by the UK Government. To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent

OFFICE RELOCATION

After consultation with the Parish Council and Finance Committee, Mgr Andrew has decided that the Parish Office will relocate to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in the near future (end April/early May). The reason for this is to provide the Parish Priest with a more suitable study and space for confidential and other meetings. This will involve a temporary closure of the office for a few days. Further information to follow.

OTHER NOTICES

BARN DANCE IN AID OF WALKING WITH

Taking place on Friday, 20th April 7.30 - 10.30pm at St Bernadette's Church Hall, Station Road, Wallsend. Bar, Raffle, Tombola. Tickets from Ann Donnelly, telephone 0191 2584454.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES : APPEAL FOR ADULT HELPERS

We're looking for adult helpers for the 2018 Pilgrimage. Sick pilgrims and others in hotels need assistance with our 'outreach team'. But we need the adult helpers before we can commit to accepting our assisted pilgrims. The pilgrimage is dependent on volunteers who give up their time generously and pay for their own pilgrimage to enable the sick and elderly to visit Lourdes. We need people to help on the journey, in the airport, on the plane as well as in the Accueil. Some may wish to help our outreach team, carrying the banner, making tea/coffee, helping with the cleaning of wards etc. To volunteer as an adult helper you don't need any experience or qualification. All that is required is that you're willing to help during the pilgrimage, are in reasonable health and undertake (or already hold) an enhanced DBS check with the Diocese. A day of preparation will be held for all helpers prior to travelling. If you can help, you need a Booking Form to book your flight and accommodation, then you'd to register as an Adult Helper. Forms are downloadable from www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk or telephone Fr Peter Stott 01670 513410. Further information from Elaine Scannell, President of Hospitalité, 0191 4787864/email elaine.scan@btinternet.com

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 14th April	9.30am Jayne Storey (St Edward's Flower Group)	6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 15th April 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER	11.00am Derek & Elizabeth Fawcett (EF)		9.30am Geraldine Rodgers (KR)
Monday 16th April ST BERNADETTE	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 17th April	7.00pm Alf & Mary Harrison (JC)	10.00am Sisters of Charity (P&DK)	
Wednesday 18th April	9.30am Word & Communion 8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Peter Hird (MR)	
Thursday 19th April	9.30am Word & Communion 7.00pm Compline	1.45pm Requiem Mass, Maureen Langlands	
Friday 20th April	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am James Faley (J&MR)	
Saturday 21st April ST ANSELM	9.30am Vivienne Greener (EW)	6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 22nd April 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	11.00am Geoff Welton (EW)		9.30am Marguerite Jones (BJ)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
15th April 2018, 12.30pm (Fr Andrew)	Emilia Grace Bowness	
15th April 2018, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Olivia Joy Ward

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: John Little, Norma Smith, Tatyana Zinovyeva, Judy Ashton, Joan Skelton and Claire Campbell. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Jayne Storey, James Faley and Maureen Langlands.

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	(0191) 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk	(0191) 6432080
Cluster Website	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 or telephone 0191 2527066.

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

READINGS AT MASS
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, 15TH APRIL 2018

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

First reading

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.' The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 4:2,4,7,9

Response: ***Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.***

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| 1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy
and hear me! | 3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many
say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O
Lord. |
| 2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those
whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. | 4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes
at once
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in
safety. |

Second reading

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.' 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.