

MASS READINGS**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)****FIRST READING***You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.***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.'

Responsorial Psalm**Response: Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.****Psalm 4**

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

SECOND READING*He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.***St. 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.

Gospel Acclamation

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

GOSPEL*So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.***Luke 24:35-48**

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when he 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.'

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Sunday, 14th April 2018 – 3rd Sunday of Easter (B)**Masses, Devotions and Services**

		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday	14 th April	4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30 pm Mass: A Sick Person – V. Donohoe	
Sunday	15 th April 3 rd Sunday of Easter		11:00am Mass: Kevin More
Monday	16 th April	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Word & Communion	
Tuesday	17 th April		9:30am Mass:
Wednesday	18 th April	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am Mass: Bridget Adams	
Thursday	19 th April		9:30am Mass:
Friday	20 th April	9:00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30 am Mass: Kathleen Holohan	
Saturday	21 st April	4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30 pm Mass: Sheila Shore	9.30 am Mass
Sunday	22 nd April 4 th Sunday of Easter		11:00am Mass: David McManus

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, 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.

Events during the Easter Season:

- Vocations at St Joseph's 22 April at 4.00 pm
- Day of Recollection 5th May at Alnmouth 9.00am-5.00pm
- Stations of the Resurrection 6 May at 4.00 pm
- DVD course, Led by love, commences 1 May at 7.00 pm

Parish Council

At the time of writing there have been 5 definite nominations to the Parish Council: Ruth Coreless Martyn Goodwin, Doreen Hull, Nestah Masiwa and Marilyn Redpath. If there have been no more nominations then they will all be on the parish council. Our thanks to them for being willing to serve the parish in this way.

Parish Council Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Parish Council this Tuesday, 17 April at 7.30 pm at St Cuthbert's.

Parents and Children Together

The parish is working in a partnership with (PACT) that is piloting a scheme in North Shields that is like a mother and toddler's group but with a 'mums space' that will give mums (and any dads) the opportunity to support each other and raise any concerns for them or their children. Any parents of young children can join the group and volunteers are needed to look after children. 'Mum Champions' are also needed. The group will meet for a couple of hours in St Cuthbert's every week. For more information please contact the PACT project worker Wendy O'Connell at: Wendy.McConnell@citizensuk.org or on 07970259161

Saying Goodbye Service

Sunderland Minster, 22 April at 3.00pm. This Saying Goodbye Service is for people who have lost a child at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in infancy, whether the loss be recent or 80 years ago.

Do you do Facebook?

If so please like and share our parish page. It's a great way to see what's going on in our Catholic community

Centre for Catholic Studies

- Wednesday 18 April 2018: Centre for Catholic Studies 10th Anniversary Public Lecture: Catholics in Public Life: A UK Perspective by Daniel, Lord Brennan of Bibury QC. 5.00pm in central Durham City.
- Monday 30 April 2018: Public Lecture by Professor Eamon Duffy: "To Doe Our Countrie Good": Douai, Rome, and the Tridentine Seminary. 6.00pm at Ushaw College.
- Tuesday 1 May 2018: Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture: HE Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi: Universities as Places of Encounter Between Faith and Culture: A public conversation with Bishop Paul Tighe. 6.15pm at Ushaw College.

Mercy Associates

The Mercy Associates Coffee Morning in aid of the Mercy Mission in Muhoroni will now be held on Tuesday April 17th at 10.15am in St Joseph's Church. Tickets £1. Everyone welcome.

Next Meeting of The Mercy Associates will be on Monday April 16th at 1.00pm in the Convent, 17 Cartington Road.

Celebration of Marriage

Bishop Séamus will celebrate Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 5th May at 11.00am to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage.

He has invited each parish community to be represented by at least two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary.

In addition, everyone is welcome to attend. This promises to be a wonderful celebration and will provide affirmation and support for Marriage across the diocese and to the wider North-East community. Fr Chris has been assured that the liturgy will be very sensitive to the real pastoral difficulties in Marriage which affect so many of our parishioners and which Pope Francis addressed so sensitively in his Apostolic Exhortation on love in the family, entitled The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia).

Pastoral Care for the Bereaved

We have a group of parishioners who are willing to spend time with anyone who has suffered the death of a loved one. They can be contacted on the Pastoral Carers phone line on: 07526080729.

Feedback from Parish Groups Liturgy and Formation

- A Novena to the Holy Spirit will be start on the Ascension up to Pentecost
- A pilgrimage to Holy Island, linking with the CAFOD annual pilgrimage is being investigated.
- A Harvest Festival will be held on 30 September
- There will be something to mark the Week of Prayer for Peace in Palestine in September – more details later.
- The next meeting is at St Cuthbert's on 13 June at 7.30pm

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 or contact admin@ymt.org

Red Mission Boxes

Janet Martin requests all parishioners with Mission Boxes to please bring them in as soon as possible. Also Pauline and Kath are willing to collect the boxes from your home if necessary. If you wish a collection, please call Pauline on 258 1456 or Kath on 257 7041.

New Mass Times

Sincere thanks to the whole parish for the way people co-operated with the new Mass times last week-end. I appreciate that the change for many for various reasons has not been easy for many of you; your presence at the week-end was appreciated. Although I sense there is still a need to wait and see that St Joseph's does has the capacity for the Sunday 11.00am Mass, from the evidence of the Mass last Sunday, it would seem St Joseph's does have the capacity. We will discuss this at the parish council meeting on Tuesday. Once we know for certain that the Vigil will be at St Cuthbert's and the morning Mass at St Joseph's, then lists for the various ministries will go up in both churches for new rotas to be established. I appreciate that whatever church people have worshipped in the past that they are given the opportunity to exercise their ministry in the church they are attending now. I would like to offer my special thanks to members of the music groups and the altar servers who showed a willingness to work and integrate together. You gave a great example to the rest of us, many thanks. Fr Chris

Retiring Collection April 21-22nd for Little Sister of the Poor

Bishop Seamus has reminded us that there will be a retiring collection next week-end for The Little Sisters of the Poor. They are very supportive of sick and retired priests in the diocese

Rosary on the Coast

For Faith, life and peace in the British Isles on Grand Parade Tynemouth

Sunday 29 April 201 Please meet in front of the grand hotel. At 2.45 pm If raining, meet at St. Oswin's Church in Tynemouth 2.45 pm For more information ring: Marileine on 0191 2854395

Day of Recollection

There will be an Easter Day of Recollection at the Franciscan Friary on Saturday May 5th. We will leave at 9.00am and return for 5.00pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Theme of the day will be 'Praying Pentecost'. We will reflect on some of the reading used by the Church for the Feast of Pentecost.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes : Appeal for Adult Helpers

The Diocesan Pilgrimage needs adult helpers for the 2018 Pilgrimage to Lourdes. We aim to take 44 sick pilgrims who need assistance in the Accueil Marie St Frai, as well as many other pilgrims in hotels who need assistance with our "outreach team". But we need the adult helpers before we can commit to accepting our assisted pilgrims. Do you think you can help? Give Lourdes a try—share the experience! The pilgrimage is entirely dependent on its many volunteers who give up generously of their time and pay for their own pilgrimage to Lourdes to enable the sick and elderly to come to Lourdes. We need people to help both on the journey to and from Lourdes, in the airport and on the plane as well as in the Accueil. Some may wish to lend a hand during the course of the pilgrimage such as outreach, carrying the banner, making tea/coffee, helping with the cleaning of wards etc. There are many different ways in which your help would be very much appreciated. Being a volunteer is an extremely rewarding experience so please consider giving up some of your time and helping on the 2018 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. To volunteer as an adult helper you don't need any experience or qualification. All that is required is that you are willing to help during the pilgrimage, are in reasonable health and undertake (already hold) an enhanced DBS check with the Diocese.

A day of preparation will be held for all helpers prior to travelling, where information will be shared about ways in which you can help on the pilgrimage. If you are able to help, you need a Booking Form for the Pilgrimage to book your flight and accommodation, then you need to register as an Adult Helper. Forms are downloadable from www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk or Tel: 01670 513410 [Fr Peter Stott]. If you would like further information on ways in which you could help, then please contact Elaine Scannell, (President of Hospitalité) on 0191 478 7864 or by email: elaine.scan@btinternet.com