

MASS READINGS
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (YEAR B)

FIRST READING

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Exodus 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 115

Response: **The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.**

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| <p>1. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name.</p> | <p>2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.</p> |
| <p>3. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people.</p> | |

SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ can purify our inner self from dead actions.

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 14:12-16. 22-26

This is my body. This is my blood.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

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Sunday, 3rd June 2018 – Body & Blood of Christ (B)

		Masses, Devotions and Services	
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday	2 nd June	10:00am: Mass: For the Indian Community 4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30pm: Mass: Vincent Donohoe	
Sunday	3 rd June Body & Blood of Christ		11:00am Mass: People of the Parish
Monday	4 th June	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Word & Communion	
Tuesday	5 th June St Boniface		9:30am Mass: Paul Black
Wednesday	6 th June	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Mass:	
Thursday	7 th June		9:30am Word & Communion
Friday	8 th June Sacred Heart of Jesus	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Word & Communion	
Saturday	9 th June Immaculate Heart of Mary	10:00am: Mass: First Holy Communions 4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30pm: Mass: Greg Jones	
Sunday	10 th June 10 th Sunday of Ordinary Time		11:00am Mass: Anthony & Doris Docherty

Bidding Prayers and our Partnership

We seek the intercession of our parish saints and pray:

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| 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, 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 those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Feast of Corpus Christi

This week-end we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. On this Feast Day we acknowledge the great gift of the Eucharist in the life of the Church that enables us to be united with the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection on a regular basis. It reminds of the sacramental possibilities of ordinary life that can enfold us into Christ and his saving plan. Special Ministers are asked to renew their commitment to their ministry at the Masses this weekend.

Parish First Holy Communions

On June 2nd four of Syro-Marabellian children, celebrated their First Holy Communion. Our congratulations and prayers for them. Next week-end on Saturday June 9th at St Cuthbert's at 10.00am, the other twenty one of our children in our parish will be making their First Holy Communion. We pray for them as they prepare for this important day in their journey of faith.

Parents and Communities Acting Together

This group meets at St Cuthbert's from 9.15 on a Thursday morning. The group will be now meeting every Thursday till the end of term in July. All parents of your people are invited to take part. It is an opportunity to meet other parents of young children and share concerns or issues you have encountered. Please contact Wendy O'Connell on 07950426780 for more information.

A Note of Thanks

Cath Quinn would like to thank the person who found and handed in her wedding ring last Saturday. I lost it on Friday and had spent many hours searching for it. Thanks.

CAFOD Will Writing Service

If you have not prepared a will CAFOD are offering the opportunity for you to do so free of charge. They ask once you have taken care of your loved ones you consider making them a gift but this is not a condition of the free service. There is a poster* in the entrance and leaflets at the back of church.

From Fr Chris

Fr Chris would like to thank parishioners for their support on the news of the tragic death of his

Mercy Associates

The Day Of Reflection hosted by the Heaton group of Mercy Associates will now take place at St Joseph's Church on Saturday June 9th. The next meeting of The Mercy Associates will take place at St Joseph's Church on Monday June 11th at 1.30pm

Youth Group

Youth group this Sunday at St Cuthbert's 6pm. All welcome. Thank you to the young people who worked with Clare Harvey last month to paint our Pentecost banners.

Ushaw Flower Festival

Ushaw College flower festival 12th to 17th June, 11:00am-5:00pm, anyone interested in travelling together (probably via mini bus) to see the festival please, contact Ruth on 07752009361.

Mass in honour of St Thomas More

"Dear Parishioner, you are warmly invited to our celebration of the Feast Day of St. Thomas More, the patron saint of our local RC Academy. The Mass will be held at Our Lady and St. Columba's Church on Carville Road, Wallsend on Thursday 21st June at 6.30pm. We are using the same venue as last year in order to accommodate the amazing 600 people that attended last year. It will be followed by music, and market stalls. If possible confirm your attendance via email to mthompson@stmacademy.org.uk but if you are unable to make a decision until the last minute, please feel free to turn up on the day. This year's Mass will be celebrating 30 years since the school opened and is a wonderful opportunity to speak to the students and staff who will be there sharing experiences from 2017/18." Michael Thompson, Chaplain

St Cuthbert's Church Grounds.

With the upcoming bi-centenary in 2021 of St. Cuthbert's, along with other tasks, Fr. Michael has himself set about tidying/improving the church grounds. Unfortunately it is not a small job but fortunately we are not a small congregation. When the floodlights failed at St. James' Park a Chinese member of the crowd asked everyone to raise their arms and wave them. The floodlights came back on and the game resumed. When asked how he did it he simply replied "Many hands make light work."

We have many hands so can You help Your Church? For some jobs great gardening knowledge is not necessary. There are a lot of small jobs - taking tree & shrub cuttings/waste to the tip, watering new planting, removing moss/litter. Of course if you are a Monty Don..... If you can give a little time please leave name and contact detail and how you can help at the Church.

Parish Rotas

Fr Chris would like to thank all those who have offered to help on the various rotas. Sadly some rotas are not viable at the moment. I would ask people to seriously consider how they could help the parish in its various roles

Working as an Au Pair in Paris

Fr Chris has been approached by former students of his time as a university chaplain. Their friends in their parish in Paris are looking for an au pair for their three children. For more information go the profile of 'Celine Kessler' at: https://www.aupairworld.com/fr/my_aupair_world/profile

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

The bishops of England and Wales will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool from Friday 7 to Sunday 9 September 2018. Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. Every diocese in England and Wales will take part.

If you would like to attend the Congress Day at Liverpool Echo Arena on Saturday 8 September 2018, the cost of the ticket can be covered by your partnership (if no partnership places are available or you are unable to find out, please contact us). If you wish to attend, please email us at liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk or call 0191 2433312 or 0191 2433313 for a booking form. The form can be also downloaded from our website www.rcdhn.org.uk Forms must be returned by Friday 25 May 2018. Your partnership may be organising transport to and from the event. Please speak to your parish priest/partnership dean for more information. Further information on the full Adoremus event and how you can attend the Friday Symposium/Sunday Pilgrimage Mass is also available on the website.

Churches Together North Shields

Sunday 1st July at 6pm North Shields Baptist Church: Service for Christian Unity – a collection will be taken up for Nite Bite.

Confirmations

This year Confirmations in the Partnership will be on July 19th at St Cuthbert's. The first session for the candidates will on Thursday June 7th. If you or your children are in year 9 (not year 10 as incorrectly stated in the newsletter last week) or above and you have not been confirmed, please contact Fr Chris.

Safeguarding in the parish

Clare Harvey is the Parish Safeguarding Representative for St. Cuthbert's site. Contact details are posted in the foyer. (07958701235 or dougal28@me.com)

A reminder that in line with safeguarding requirements, children and vulnerable adults must be accompanied by a known and trusted adult when using the toilet facilities. Children should not visit the toilet alone. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who only administer Holy Communion during Mass and who do not take Holy Communion out to the sick and housebound, no longer require a DBS. However, they are required to sign a declaration to be held by the diocese, stating this. Could any such minister please inform Clare Harvey so that the relevant paperwork can be completed.

Many DBS certificates are in need of renewal. Due to a backlog at the diocese and a review of roles for which a DBS is still required, these are being handled in order of priority. Clare will contact you when yours needs to be updated.

If anyone needs to return any safeguarding paperwork at any time, then it can be posted in an envelope addressed FAO Clare Harvey through either presbytery door. Thanks.

Feedback from Parish Groups

Parish Proclaimers

Parish Proclaimers would like to attend the next Liturgy Group meeting on 13th June so that both groups can share what they each do and consider how we can work closely together.

A display on serving with justice has been put up in the porch at St. Cuthbert's in an effort to share our faith with all those who visited our Parish Centre on Election Day.

The Youth Group will help to create two banners for outside each church for Pentecost.

Furthering our work to enhance the impact that the porch at St. Cuthbert's has upon community users and ourselves, as a place of worship, we would like to install a more permanent display along the front of the piety stall. We would appreciate any thoughts on this from parishioners. Is there a quote from Scripture that you think would be suitable? Something that speaks of our witness? Please pass on any ideas to Fr Chris!

The children will be asked to be givers of gifts as we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us. The date of our next meeting will be posted soon.

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

Diocesan Festival

This year the diocesan festival at the Emmaus Youth Village will be the week-end of 24rd and 24th of June. The theme is: Encounter: Coming Face to Face with Christ. Speakers include Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow OBE, Sr Judith Russi and Sara Bryson from Tyne and Wear Citizens. Please see booking forms at the back of church

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.

Summer Fair – 23rd June

The Annual Summer Fair at St Cuthberts will be held on 23rd June. Donations for goods for all the stalls will be gratefully appreciated.