

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year B, 29TH & 30TH SEPTEMBER 2018

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

The readings today help us to take a good look at ourselves. Many people do good things and follow sincere paths and they may not necessarily even be Christian. This is because the Spirit of God is resting on them and working in them although they may not recognise it in the same way we do. The Spirit of God is greater than human regulations and crosses over human boundaries. The wisdom of God is found beyond the organisation of the Church and God gives His gifts to everyone whether or not they accept or understand Him. We must be prepared to learn from those who do not belong to our own tradition. We have to celebrate goodness in whatever form it takes because its source is the spirit of God working. The disciples seem to be threatened by someone who is not one of them but is doing good. Jesus is not similarly threatened but celebrates this because He knows where it comes from. Jesus sees quite clearly that it is important that the work of God is done and it is not important who does it.

Deacon Terry

**Can we please remind everyone that on coming in to church for Mass,
your mobile phones should be turned off or set to silent.**

PARISH NOTICES

MONSIGNOR ANDREW ON HOLIDAY

Monsignor Andrew will be on holiday until 4th October. All enquiries should be made through the Parish Office. Any emergencies will be covered from St Mary's, Cullercoats - 0191 2513770. This weekend the Masses will be celebrated by Fr Michael Hickey and on Tuesday, 2nd October Fr Chris Hughes will celebrate Mass at St Edward's Church at 7.00pm.

PRAYER OF REPARATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – SATURDAY, 6TH OCTOBER

The Bishop has asked all parishes in the Diocese to hold a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament to pray for all victims of abuse. This will take place on Saturday, 6th October following the 9.30am Mass in St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. Please make a special effort to attend.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY AND SECOND COLLECTION

On Family Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to share in the abundance that God has given us. We are asked to fast, pray and give to help people like Longora, who lives in a remote village in Uganda. The area is so hot and dry, people used to struggle to get enough clean water to survive. Thanks to the generosity of parishioners in England and Wales, CAFOD has made sure Longora and her neighbours now have a reliable supply of clean, safe water. On Family Fast Day (Friday 5th October), CAFOD invites us to eat simply and give the money we save to help people like Longora. Please collect your Fast Day envelope from the church this week and give what you can. Next weekend a special collection will be taken at Mass.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 1st October in St Edward's Parish Rooms after the Service, when Jean will tell us about The *Kelpies* in Falkirk. They are the largest equine sculptures in the world and everyone is very welcome to come and hear more about them.

THE MINDFUL HOUR, WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER

To be held at 7.00pm in St Edward's parish rooms. The theme will be Non-Striving. The world we live in is stuck in 'doing-mode' most of the time. We must do this, we must achieve that, and we must beat this target. Simply being can be profoundly refreshing and with patience and practice moving closer to our goals can seem to come about by itself. The group is open to anyone who has an interest in mindfulness in the context of the Christian faith. All welcome.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

A warm welcome is extended to those who attended the first session of the Journey of Faith last Monday evening. Session 2 is on Monday, 8th October at 7pm (until about 8.30pm) in the parish room at St Edward's.

PARISH WALKING GROUP

On Friday, 5th October, Gerry Latimer will lead a six mile walk from Bolam Lake, taking in Shortflatt Tower and Bolam Church. The walk is mainly flat, with no steep climbs, along farm tracks and a quiet roadway. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for a 9.30am departure. Further information from Gerry on 0191 2516989.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE SERVICE

The Hexham and Newcastle branch of the Catholic Women's League are holding a service to honour Our Blessed Lady at St Edward's Church on Saturday, 6th October at 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on 9th October at 7.30pm in the parish rooms at St Edward's Church. If anyone has a matter they would like raised, please contact one of your church council members.

JAM JARS

Ann and Joan are appealing for empty 1lb jam jars for their jam making charity. Any donations of small amounts of brandy or whisky would also be appreciated. Please leave at the back of church or contact Ann on 0191 2584454 if you require collection.

RED BOXES (ST EDWARD'S CHURCH)

It is time for the final quarter of the year to empty Red Boxes. The books are now ready for collection in the Narthex, could all monies be passed to Mary Nugent by 28th October please. This includes those who bring their boxes to church to be emptied.

YOUTH CO-WORKERS

Representatives from all parishes in the partnership meet once a term to be informed and develop work with young people in our partnership. This includes supporting diocesan initiatives, working towards National Youth Sunday, preparing Confirmation candidates, linking with schools and more. New members to the group are always welcome and our next meeting will be on Thursday, 11th October at 6.45pm at St Mary's Church, Cullercoats. Our skills are wide ranging; in common we have our enthusiasm to help young people grow in their faith. More volunteers are welcome and needed and we would be pleased to have you come along and find out more! Further information from Michael Thompson, School Chaplain on 0191 2588340 or email mthompson@stmacademy.org.uk

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Many thanks to all those who donated surplus Rosary Beads recently. The 63 pairs have been passed on and are greatly appreciated.

XAVIERIAN MISSIONARIES APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support for the appeal last weekend by Fr Martyn Stevens, which raised £1068.

OTHER NOTICES

CELEBRATE 20TH – 21ST OCTOBER

'Celebrate' this year will be held on 20th & 21st October at St Joseph's Academy in Hebburn. This year we welcome David Wells who is well known throughout the diocese as an extraordinary communicator of the Gospel. We also have Ronan Johnston leading worship. Further details from Peter Hodgson 07758 323403 or email japa.thehodgies@ntlworld.com

FLAME - THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONGRESS

Taking place at Wembley Arena on 2nd March 2019. Booking forms are out in partnerships and secondary schools. The cost will be £40 per person which includes coach travel and Wembley ticket. Further information from YMT on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

ROSARY EXHIBITION

St Teresa's church in Heaton are planning to hold a Rosary exhibition on Saturday, 27th October and you are invited to join us on the day. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am with the rosary being recited throughout the day in languages from around the world. You are invited to bring along your rosaries (broken or intact) to add to the display. The church will be open 25th/26th October to receive them.

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 29th September SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL		NO CONFESSIONS 6.00pm Antonio & Adelaida Gonzalez (A&A)	
Sunday 30th September 26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Judy Ashton (Monday Club)		9.30am People of the Parish (especially those suffering religious persecution) (Parish Pastoral Care Team)
Monday 1st October ST TERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 2nd October THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS	7.00pm Deceased Members of Tynemouth Catenians		
Wednesday 3rd October	8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Word & Communion	
Thursday 4th October ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI	9.30am Donal Lynch 7.00pm Compline		
Friday 5th October		10.00am The Recently Deceased	
Saturday 6th October ST BRUNO	9.30am Sheila Mooney (PS) Followed by Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament.	5.30 - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 7th October 27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Judy Ashton (CS)		9.30am Alison Mounsey (AD)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD
30th September, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)	Jude Oliver Tate
7th October, 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)	Louis Thomas Patterson

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: Joan Samson, Anne McLaughlan, Moya Finlay and Margaret Duffy. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Ellen (Nellie) Waugh, Terry Poppelwell, Angela Cooke, Michael Dempsey and Monica Kennedy.

Priests' telephone numbers

Fr Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Fr Chris Hughes 0191 2575801, Fr John McElhone 0191 2623820, Fr David Smith 0191 2623882.
Deacon Terry McGann contact via Parish Office 0191 2527066.

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 2655290.

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

Parish Office opening hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am—12.00noon, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - email parishofficeolss@btconnect.com or telephone 0191 2527066.

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

READINGS AT MASS
TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 30TH SEPTEMBER 2018
The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First Reading

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 18(19):8,10,12-14

Psalm Response: ***The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.***

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| 1. The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. | 3. So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. |
| 2. The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. | 4. From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin. |

Second reading

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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.