

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year B, 13TH & 14TH OCTOBER 2018

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

The story of the rich man who approaches Jesus is both moving and human. He had all the material possessions he wanted, but was still empty inside and was not at peace. Then he listens to Jesus, a penniless preacher, who talked about eternal life and how seeking this was of much more value than anything this world had to offer. Jesus was at peace with Himself and with others. The man so valued what Jesus had that he 'threw himself at his feet', the action of a slave to his master. In the exchange that follows Jesus doesn't take long in finding out what the man's problem is. His comfortable life was of more value to him than a life where God is at the centre. It is curious that the more people have, the more they want. Conversely the less people have, the more they have. St Francis of Assisi was formally rich but he gave away all his possessions to concentrate on the Kingdom of God. God's blessings on those with nothing, was to St Francis, worth more than anything physical that could be acquired in this world and surpassed it in terms of value. Our faith is the most precious thing we have and it was given to us freely as a gift from God. It takes us a lifetime to appreciate this, to understand its value and to be assured that whatever comes our way our faith will never let us down.

Deacon Terry

PARTNERSHIP MATTERS

The October / November edition of the bi-monthly *Partnership Matters* news update is now available on the front page of the diocesan website (www.rcdhn.org.uk). This autumnal edition reflects on the first year since Partnerships were established. It highlights a document entitled '*Partnerships One Year On*', how Partnerships can respond to *Laudato Si*, an update on the Partnership Conference as well as a range of activities and ideas shared from across the Diocese.

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

PARISH NOTICES

PRISONERS SUNDAY

This weekend we pray for prisoners and their dependants. If you would like to make a donation to PACT, the Catholic charity that provides support to prisoners, people with convictions and their families, a retiring collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend.

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend there will be a second collection for Mission Sunday.

THANKS FROM ROME

I would like to thank the Parish for paying for my first cassock. Thank you also for my send-off in August. I am now in Rome and I have just started my formal studies. It means very much to have the support of my own community behind me. Keep me in your prayers! Joseph O'Brien

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

While the Parish works with the Diocesan Human Resources Manager to appoint a new caretaker, it would be very much appreciated if people would kindly empty sacristy, kitchen and other bins, and make sure that meeting rooms at St Edward's and Immaculate Heart of Mary are kept clean and tidy. Many thanks.

INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE TRUST AND WALKING WITH

We are holding a small Tombola this Sunday, 14th October at Our Lady's and St Edmund's Church after Mass, as this year we haven't quite reached our normal target of our usual donation of £1000. We know we can rely on your usual generosity.

Please also remember the Walking With refugee food donations. One tin per week per family would be greatly appreciated.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

The Parish Monday Club will meet on 15th October in St Edward's Parish Rooms after the Service, when we will talk about 'Books I have enjoyed', and everyone is very welcome to share memories of a good read!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2018/19

The Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation and Holy Communion is due to begin in **November 2018**. The programme is open to all children who are Baptised Catholic from within the Parish who are in **Year 4** or above. An introductory session for all parents and carers detailing this year's programme and timetable will be held on **Thursday, 25th October 7.30pm - 9pm at The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**. If you wish your child to receive the Sacraments and take part in this year's programme you need to contact the parish office **before Friday, 19th October 2018** to enrol them. If your child **does not** attend Star of the Sea School you will also need to provide a copy of their Baptismal Certificate when you return their registration form. You can contact the parish office via email: parishofficeolss@btconnect.com or by phone on 0191 2527066.

PARISH WALKING GROUP

The walk starts from Morpeth through Bluebell Wood, along river bank, across fields and further woodland. Some stiles, inclines accessible by wide steps and short road sections. Could be muddy in parts. Distance 6 miles. Any queries contact John 0191 2522008.

FAIR TRADE

The next Fair Trade sale will be held next weekend, on Sunday, 21st October at St Edward's Church.

RED MISSION BOXES

It is time for the autumn collection and to empty Mission Boxes.

- **St Edward's:** 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.
- **Immaculate Heart of Mary:** Please leave your box at the back of church.

Many thanks.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

From Saturday, 3rd November, we will be selling cards again designed by Peter Hughes. In addition to these special cards there will also be some of his beautifully crafted cribs. A preview of these items will be on display at Saturday evening Masses at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on 20th & 27th October. All proceeds go to Isaac's House, Uganda.

SVP APPEAL

Urgently required for three pregnant refugee ladies, prams, cots, covers, and baby clothes, (preferably girls). If you are able to help, please contact Rena Rowe on 0191 2522781 or Pat Shinn 0191 2529915.

ST EDWARD'S - RENOVATION WORK

Over the next few weeks, there will be scaffolding around St Edward's Presbytery for the essential re-pointing of the outside walls. Unfortunately, the shelter between the back of the Presbytery and the Church will be removed due to deterioration, and to allow access to guttering and external walls.

OTHER NOTICES

CELEBRATE 20TH – 21ST OCTOBER

'Celebrate' this year will be held on 20th & 21st October at St Joseph's Academy in Hebburn. Further details from Peter Hodgson 07758 323403 or email japa.thehodgies@ntlworld.com

RESIDENTIAL RETREAT FOR YOUTHS

Being held 7th - 9th December, for school years 7 - 13 at Minsteracres Retreat Centre, Nr Consett, County Durham, DH8 9RT. Contact clare.neslon@yahoo.co.uk for more details.

WANTED: BOARD GAMES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

A new meeting place for young people is being organised in our Partnership and we need your support. Any donations of games or equipment would be gratefully received. Contact clare.neslon@yahoo.co.uk for more details.

VACANCY

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancy:

Administrator, based at St Hilda's, Sunderland, 12 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. Closing date: 16th October. For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us 0191 2433301 email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

MASS INTENTIONS			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 13th October ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR	9.30am Aidan Cook (AC) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30 - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 14th October 28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Judy Ashton (Justice & Peace Group)		9.30am Jim Pratt (D&PK)
Monday 15th October ST TERESA OF AVILA	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 16th October ST HEDWIG	7.00pm Miriam Devereux		
Wednesday 17th October ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH	8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Ann Jenkin (PT)	
Thursday 18th October ST LUKE	9.30am In Thanksgiving (MHD)		
Friday 19th October SS JOHN DE BREBEUF, ISAAC JOGUES & COMPANIONS		10.00am 90th Birthday of Ernie Stone (J&DJ)	
Saturday 20th October	9.30am Judy Ashton (S&TC) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30 - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 21st October 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Thanksgiving for Marriage of Malcolm & Liz Louvre (LL)		9.30am Thanksgiving for Exam results (MR)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD
21st October 12.30pm (Mgr Andrew)	Sophia Helen Bollado

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill: Anne McLaughlan, Moya Finlay and Margaret Duffy. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently especially Monica Kennedy, Philip Rafferty, Norah Leonard and Valerie Gibson.

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

A comprehensive Parish Directory is held in the parish office. The directory contains names and contact numbers for those responsible for various groups and activities associated with our parish.

This can be viewed in the parish office or you can telephone the number below if you have an enquiry.

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 EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 14TH OCTOBER 2018

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

First Reading

Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

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

Psalm

Psalm 89(90):12-17

Psalm Response: *Fill us with your love so that we may rejoice.*

1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants.
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune.
3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands.

Second reading

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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.