

MASS READINGS  
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B)  
FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Listen, Israel: You shall love the Lord Your God with all your heart.

Moses said to the people: ‘If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. ‘Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.’

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 17

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise:  
when I call I am saved from my foes.
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praise be the God who saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king  
and shown his love for his anointed.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

Because he remains for ever, Christ can never lose his priesthood.

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 12:28-34

This is the first commandment. The second is like it.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, ‘Which is the first of all the commandments?’ Jesus replied, ‘This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.’ The scribe said to him, ‘Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.’ Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ And after that no one dared to question him any more.

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The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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Parish website information at: <a href="http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk">http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk</a> We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.		
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Sunday, 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 – 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - B		
	Masses, Devotions and Services	
	St Cuthbert’s Church	St Joseph’s Church
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November		4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	11:00am Mass: Thank you God	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Word & Communion	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November		9:30am: Mass:
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Mass: Grace & Ernest Lumsden	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	7:00pm: Mass:	9:30am: Mass:
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9:30am: Mass: Response of the soul of Pat Goulding	7:00pm: Mass
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> November		4:45-5:15pm: Confessions 5:30pm: Mass:
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	11:00am Mass: Frankie Hunter	

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, Father Bill Bellamy, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Chandra, Kay Butler, Sarah Harrison, Fred Stimpson, Lena Armbuster, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Katie McVay, Elizabeth and Frank Whillis.  
Please pray for all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries are at this time.

### Community and Ministries in the Parish

Now that the timing and venue of Masses at the weekend has been settled, we need to reflect on how we, as a parish, develop a sense of Community of Missionary Disciples at both Celebrations of the Eucharist. In particular with the community that now gathers for the Saturday Vigil Mass at St Joseph's which has only been gathering at St Joseph's since July, we need to give thought as to how we develop the sense of Community at this Mass. Since it is only one of two vigil Masses in the Partnership, people from across the partnership will be attending but they are all welcome and are invited to reflect on how we all contribute to the sense of developing the community of disciples as we gather on a Saturday night.

One way this development can take place is by people having a role or ministry during the Eucharist or helping the parish. There are a number of roles which include:

- Readers
- Preparing the Bidding Prayers
- Bringing up the Offertory Collection
- Counting the collection
- Flowers Arrangers
- Cleaning the Church
- Music Ministry
- Altar serving

There are also a number of parish groups which I would like the Vigil Mass at St Joseph's to be well represented. They groups are:

- Liturgy and Formation
- Finance and Property
- Parish Proclaimers (Mission and Evangelism)
- Catechists for Children, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and Journey of Faith
- St Vincent de Paul
- The Mercy Associates
- Parish Social Group
- Parish Scripture Reflection Group( Thursday nights)
- Parish Art and Crafts Group ( Wednesday Afternoon)
- Mums Space ( Thursday Morning)
- Churches Together North Shields.
- First Sunday Youth Group

Please reflect if there are any groups you would like to join. I also think it would be good if, from time to time, we had a social event at the back of the Church. If anyone has any ideas for an event after the Mass please contact me. There will be a wine and cheese evening to mark the beginning of the new Liturgical year after the Vigil Mass at St Joseph's on December 1<sup>st</sup>. All the above also applies to those who have recently started at St Cuthbert's as well. Please reflect on how you can contribute to the parish.

### Collection for 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018 £608.66

#### Future Dates of Parish Group Meetings

**Parish Council:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 7:00pm  
St. Cuthbert's

#### Remembrance Sunday

Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday and the Centenary of the end of the 'Great War'. We will have a brief service at the War Memorial at the start of the 11:00am Mass next Sunday. Later that afternoon at 4:00pm at St Cuthbert's we will have a special service to remember those who lost their lives in that war.

Fr Chris would recommend people to see the recently released 'They Shall Not Grow Old'. This film uses old footage taken during the first world war and is brought to life and colour with help of computer imaging and sound overdubbing. It brings the reality of the war to the big screen. The film is directed by Peter Jackson, who directed the 'Lord of the Rings' trilogy.

#### Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Now that the issue of Mass times at the weekend has been settled, Fr Chris thinks it is important that there is the opportunity for people to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in both Churches. Therefore at St Joseph's this sacrament will be available on a Saturday from 4:45-5:15pm. At St Cuthbert's this sacrament will be available on a Sunday from 10:15-10:45am. This will start from next weekend, November 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. Fr Chris is also available to celebrate the sacrament on appointment.

#### Information Sessions on the Permanent Diaconate

The permanent diaconate is well-established in our Diocese now, and the deacons come from all walks of life and live out their ministry in a variety of ways. The Council of Deacons is running a series of information evenings across the diocese, to offer an opportunity to come along and find out more about the diaconate. The Council of Deacons is sure that the Holy Spirit is calling forward men to the diaconate. The information evenings will offer an overview of the four-year formation period, insight from current deacons as to how they live out their ministry, and offer a chance to ask questions. Anyone interested to know more is invited to come along to one of the sessions. Wives of those interested in the diaconate are welcome to attend. The details of the three information evenings are as follows:

Wednesday 7th November 7.00 pm: St Hilda's Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY.

Wednesday 21st November 7.00 pm: English Martyrs and Ss Peter and Paul, Redhill Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 9BY.

Thursday 22nd November 7:00 pm: St Michael's, Durham Road, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 8NF (in the meeting room).

If you are unable to attend any of these evenings, but are still interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate, please look at the diocesan website

[www.rcdhn.org.uk/vocdeacon/vocdeaconabout.php](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/vocdeacon/vocdeaconabout.php)

#### Trinity Shop

Fr Chris has just received the latest cheque for our share of the profits from the Trinity Shop. It was a cheque for £1800. This is a great total and a big thank-you to all who contribute in any way to the work of the shop. Your hard work and dedication is much appreciated.

#### Clergy Training Fund

This is still open for any further donations till the end of the MONTH.

#### Mental Health Assembly

Tyne and Wear Citizens will have their next big event at the Banqueting Room of the Civic Centre, Newcastle on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. It is the culmination of our campaign to improve mental health provision in the area. The more people there are, the more likely that decision makers will take notice of our demands. I would encourage as many of you to lend your support to this important campaign. You can sign up to this event at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tyne-wear-citizens-mental-health-assembly-tickets-47277143208>.

If you intend to come please let Fr Chris know.

#### Jumble Sale

The jumble sale last Saturday raised £631.19p Thanks and congratulations to all who contributed in anyway. . People's hard work is much appreciated

#### Parish Proclaimers

We hope to host either a Traidcraft stall or a Sharing Fair in the parish on the weekend of 17/18<sup>th</sup> November – World Day of Prayer for the Poor.

We are happy to explore Tyne and Wear Citizens further in terms of how we could facilitate our parish signing up.

We will be promoting 'Live Simply' in our parish as our response to Laudato Si.

We hope to send out Christmas cards with a signed Christmas message from the parish to be distributed to our neighbours, including a list of our Christmas Service times.

It was discussed that the possibility of new external signage is what may be needed if we are to include all that we want to promote.

At our last meeting we discussed the possibility of our group being more about proclaiming through both word and action through social justice and outreach rather than just being about promoting parish events. It is clear that there is a passion for both social outreach and concern for the poor as well as developing discipleship from within.

To accomplish all we would like to do, we need more help. We welcome you all to our next meeting on 7th November at 7pm at St. Cuthbert's.

In order to reach more people on our Facebook page it is necessary for more people to like our page. To do this we ask that people visit and 'like' our FB page 'The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph.'

#### APF Red Mission Boxes

Could parishioners to please bring in their Mission boxes (APF red boxes) for emptying. They will be picked up from both St. Joseph's (Janet Martin) or St. Cuthbert's as necessary, or if required, please ring Kath Kenny 2577041 or Pauline Rogers 2581456 for emptying at home.

#### Residential Retreat for Youth

From 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> December. For school years 7-13. Being held at: Minsteracres Retreat Centre, Nr Consett, County Durham DH8 9RT. Contact [clare.neslon@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:clare.neslon@yahoo.co.uk) for more details.

#### Youth Sunday Preparation

This year's Youth Sunday is on 25<sup>th</sup> November, the Feast of Christ the King. The theme is JOY. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

This Youth Sunday we celebrate the truth that Jesus shows us we can have joy in Him. Joy because He has set us free to live the life we were created to live and joy even through the challenges of life. Each church is invited to be represented by adults and young people (Year 9 and above) and there will be an opportunity to plan together and to meet other groups in the same partnership. Music and other resources will be available. Please see the parish priest if you would like to go along. Further details are available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or [admin@ymt.org](mailto:admin@ymt.org).

#### CAFOD Retreat:

Countering Consumerism: At Minsteracres, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 10:00am - 4:00pm. Cost is free. All are welcome. Please contact David Cross at: T.: 0191 384 4847 E: [hexhamandnewcastle@cafod.org.uk](mailto:hexhamandnewcastle@cafod.org.uk)

#### Ceilidh in Support of MS Charity

17<sup>th</sup> November, Marden Residents Club NE30 3QD at 7pm. All are welcome. Francis McSheery has more details.

#### Parents and Communities Together

This mother and toddler group that also offers support to mothers in the area has re-started meeting on a Thursday morning from 9.15am at St Cuthbert's. All mums with young children are welcome.

#### Future Social Events – Diary Dates

**Christmas Coffee Morning:** November 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00am at St Cuthberts

**Pantomime:** January 2019 - Aladdin - date TBC.

#### St Joseph's Wine & Cheese Evening:

There will be a wine and cheese evening to mark the beginning of the new Liturgical year after the Saturday night Vigil Mass at St Joseph's on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Mercy Associates

##### Christmas Coffee Morning

The Mercy Associates Christmas Coffee Morning with mince pie will be held at St Joseph's Church on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am.

Prize bingo, lucky dip and raffle. Tickets £1.00.

##### Christmas Parcel Appeal

The Mercy Associates would be very grateful for any donations of non-perishable goods. These can be left at the back of St Joseph's Church.