

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

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Sun	31 st	4 th Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Jos 5: 9-12, 2 Cor 5: 17-21 Luke 15: 1-32
			St M	11.00am	Vera Hogg (MFairs)	
Mon	1 st	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	Pasquale Di Mascio	Is 65: 17-21, John 4: 43-54
Tue	2 nd	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	Ezek 47: 1-12, John 5: 1-16
Wed	3 rd	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Jenny Laggan (LL)	Is 49: 8-15, John 5: 17-30
Thu	4 th	Weekday of Lent	St M	9.30am	Class Mass: Year 5	Ex 32: 7-14, John 5: 31-47
Fri	5 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	Wis 2: 1-22, John 7: 1-30
Sat	6 th	Weekday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	Jer 11: 18-20, John 7: 40-52
Sun	7 th	5 th Sunday of Lent	St O	9.30am	Robert Laughlan (CC)	Is 43: 16-21, Phil 3: 8-14 John 8: 1-11
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's and *available on request*
(Rosary at St Oswin (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)**We remember those who have asked for our prayers in March:** Bernard Cass, Oscar Glenn, Alec Turner, Adele Timmins, Joyce Barnsley, Mary Heslop, Kathleen Dunston, Lyn Johnson, Sue McGregor, Fred Stimpson, Maureen O'Meara, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, Barnaby Essenheigh, Jacky Armstrong.**Anniversaries:** Gerald Spencer, Tony O'Neill, Mary McGee, Sally Chater, Violet McKie, Leslie Hyett, Gerry Mason, John Graham.**Music Group** We will be playing a new Mass setting called Christ the Saviour by Daniel Schutte. Memorial Acclamation 3.**Stations of the Cross** will be celebrated on **Friday evenings during Lent at 6.30pm.****Mother's Day Cake Sale TODAY** to raise funds for St. Mary's School MUGA (all weather Multi Use Games Area). Please join us in the hall after mass! *Thank you.***Holy Week Liturgy Preparation** – all those who wish to be involved in the planning and preparation of liturgies for Holy Week, please meet at the Presbytery today 31st March at 6pm.**The Partnership Lenten Penitential Service** will be held at St Columba's church, Wallsend on **Thurs 11 April at 7.00pm.** *Please try to make the most of these opportunities to help prepare for Easter.***Piety Stall at St Mary's** has a selection of Easter Cards, First Holy Communion Missals, Prayer Books and gifts on sale.**As we Welcome Bishop Robert Byrne to the Diocese** prayer cards are available at the back of church to mark the occasion of his installation as our Bishop.**Lenten Prayer and Reflection:** Everyone is welcome to weekly meetings for prayer and reflection based on the Diocesan programme, 'God's gift of love and mercy'. To be held on **Tuesdays at 10.30am** in Committee Room at St Mary's.**RCIA** - Three candidates from our parish will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil on Saturday 10th April, 8pm. Please pray for *Alan Hails, Ann Kenny and Emily Murphy.*'**People of the Passion**' Time of Prayer and Reflection with the people Jesus met on the 'Way of the Cross' with Sr Sheila McNamara RSCJ on **Weds 17 April, 7pm-9.15pm** in St Mary's church hall.**Lenten Alms** - once more we are asked to contribute to helping the work of St Cuthbert's Care to allow their support for children and young people to continue in our Diocese. Envelopes are available at the back of church.**Lenten Cross at St Mary's:** Many of us carry our own crosses, some alone unable to share. "Jesus said come to me all who are burdened and I will give you rest". Put a tack into the wood of the cross for yourself or someone you know who is suffering asking Jesus to carry our cross with his.

The Order of Mass can be found on Page 4 of your Hymn Book

First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

The Israelites, free from the humiliation they suffered in Egypt, enter the land of promise and partake of its produce.

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.' The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morning of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 33:2-7

Response: **Taste and see that the Lord is good.**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.
2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.
3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Christ brought about reconciliation between God and humanity. The Church's task is to bring the benefits of this to all.

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appearing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

Gospel Acclamation: *Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.' Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!*

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-3.11-32

The parable of the forgiving Father shows that God delights in showing mercy to repentant sinners.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. "When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. "While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate. "Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening." "The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found." '

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

When have you been generous enough to forgive someone who hurt you deeply?