

**MASS READINGS**  
**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (YEAR C)**

**PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL**

*Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord.*

**Luke 19:28-40**

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, 'Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you are to say this, "The Master needs it." The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, 'Why are you untying that colt?' and they answered, 'The Master needs it.' So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out: 'Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!' Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Master, check your disciples,' but he answered, 'I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out.'

**THE MASS**

**FIRST READING**

*I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed.*

**Isaiah 50:4-7**

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

**Psalms 21**

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| <p>1. All who see me deride me.<br/>They curl their lips, they toss their heads.<br/>'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;<br/>let him release him if this is his friend.</p> <p>3. They divide my clothing among them.<br/>They cast lots for my robe.<br/>O Lord, do not leave me alone,<br/>my strength, make haste to help me!</p> | <p>2. Many dogs have surrounded me,<br/>a band of the wicked beset me.<br/>They tear holes in my hands and my feet.<br/>I can count every one of my bones.</p> <p>4. I will tell of your name to my brethren<br/>and praise you where they are assembled.<br/>'You who fear the Lord give him praise;<br/>and sons of Jacob, give him glory.<br/>Revere him, Israel's sons.'</p> |
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**SECOND READING**

*He humbled himself, but God raised him high.*

**Philippians 2:6-11**

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory

**GOSPEL**

*The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke ....*

**Luke 22:14-23-56**

**The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields**

<p><b>Saint Cuthbert Catholic Church</b> Albion Road West North Shields</p>	<p>Tynemouth Priory Partnership</p> 	<p><b>Saint Joseph Catholic Church</b> Wallsend Road North Shields</p>
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<p><b>Parish website information at: <a href="http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk">http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk</a></b> 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.</p>		
<p><b>Partnership Telephone Numbers</b> Monsignor Andrew Faley ☎ 0191 252 8021 Father Martin Stempczyk ☎ 0191 251 3770 St Cuthbert's Church ☎ 0191 257 3408</p>	<p><b>Partnership Telephone Numbers</b> Father John McElhone ☎ 0191 262 3820 Hospital Chaplaincy: Fr Stephen Watson ☎ 07768 3873931 Father David Smith: ☎ 0191 262 3882</p>	

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – Palm Sunday (C)**

Masses, Devotions and Services		
	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April		<b>9:30am: No Mass</b> <b>4:45-5:15pm: Confessions</b> <b>5:30pm: Mass: Mary Austin</b>
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April Palm Sunday – Year C	<b>11:00am Mass: People of the Parish</b>	<b>4:00pm: Stations of the Cross</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9:30am: Mass: Walter &amp; Ellen Tyrell</b>	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April		<b>9:30am: Mass: Tony Downes</b>
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>9:00am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>9:30am: Mass:</b>	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April Maundy Thursday		<b>7:00pm: Mass of the Last Supper</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April Good Friday	<b>3:00pm: Celebration of the Passion of Jesus</b>	
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April Holy Saturday		<b>8:00pm: Easter Vigil Mass: People of the Parish</b>
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday – Year C	<b>11:00am Mass: David McManus (RIP)</b>	

**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 Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Fred Stimpson, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, James Laing, Patrick McAdam, Frank Whillis, Michael Nolan and Maureen William. Please pray for all who have died recently and for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

#### **New Special Ministers of Holy Communion**

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April seven of our parishioners were commissioned as Special Minister of Holy Communion. They are: Christy Luke, Austin Oshogbu, Dona Regi, Shebin Sajimon, Sherin Sajimon, Ann Sunil and Chris Wynn. Fr Chris is delighted that they are willing to take on this role for parish. Their presence as Ministers of Holy Communion represents the broad diversity of our parish.

#### **Holy Week Liturgies**

This is the most important week in the Church's year. Fr Chris hopes that you will do all you can to share in these great Liturgical Celebrations, especially Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Vigil of Holy Saturday. As we share in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, may the grace and love of God we celebrate be shared by you and your family.

#### **13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> April - Palm Sunday with blessing and distribution of palms**

- Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm at St Joseph's
- Sunday Mass: 11.00am at St Cuthbert's
- Stations of the Cross at St Joseph's at 4.00pm

#### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Maundy Thursday**

- 7.00pm Mass of the Last Supper and Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, at St Joseph's

#### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April - Good Friday**

- 10.00am Churches Together Joint Witness and Procession at Northumberland Square
- 3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of Jesus at St Cuthbert's

#### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Holy Saturday**

- 8.00pm Easter Vigil at St Joseph's

#### **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday**

- 11.00am Mass at St Cuthbert's

#### **Parking at St Joseph's**

Please do not double park in front of the Presbytery and do not block access to the drop off point. This is to enable cars to drive in, drop people off at the drop off point and then drive straight out. Access is also needed of if emergency vehicles such as an ambulance need to attend the Church. People are welcome to park up the drive that leads to the back of the presbytery.

#### **Day of Recollection**

We are looking forward to welcoming Bill Huebsch back to the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May to lead us on a day exploring 'The Mission to Accompany' at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road, Benton, Newcastle upon Tyne from 9.45am – 3.30pm. Refreshments and lunch will be provided on the day, and we are suggesting a donation of £10.00 to help cover the costs of the day. Booking is essential by telephone: 0191 243 3302 or [www.billhuebsch.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.billhuebsch.eventbrite.co.uk)

#### **Lent 2019**

Now that Lent has started here below are the regular events that will be taking place during Lent:

- Sunday at 4.00pm Stations of the Cross will be at St. Joseph's.

In our readings for Palm Sunday, we hear of Christ's entry in Jerusalem. Then we reflect on Christ's death on the Cross. St Paul in the second reading tells us that although Christ was in the form of God he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself, even to accepting death on a Cross. We are called to be open to God's utter self-giving of himself. May there be space in our hearts to receive such a great gift.

- Tuesdays. The DVD Course on the Mass will continue at 7.00pm on April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Wednesdays at 7.00pm at St Cuthbert's for the Churches Together Lenten course called 'Embracing the Cross: A Lenten Course on the possibility of peace, grace and hope in Christ. The final session will be on April 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be an opportunity to reflect on what has been shared during the 6 weeks and discern how insights gained may inform our pastoral care for the dying and bereaved.

#### **Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne for young Adults (20s and 30s)**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019.**

A time to walk along part of St. Cuthbert's way, reflect and pray with other young adults and spend time on the beautiful island of Lindisfarne. Accommodation is in a basic bunkhouse near St Cuthbert's cave. Cost - £85 to cover food and accommodation. For more information email [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or find us on Facebook (FCJ Young Adult Network).

#### **Feedback from Partnership Development Group (PDG)**

The PDG met on March 28<sup>th</sup>. It has been decided that there will be an Open Meeting to all the partnership. This will take place after Easter. The date is to be confirmed but the venue will be St Thomas More's Academy. The purpose of the meeting is not to give any major announcement but an update of progress. There was an honest admission that the mission and identity of Partnerships has yet to be clarified, with the general way forward for partnership in general yet to be decided. Steps made will be acknowledged but the main purpose of the evening will be to hear the views and comments of anyone in the partnership. Details of the meeting will be confirmed once finalised. The next meeting of the PDG will be at St Aidan's on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

#### **Pilgrimage to Lourdes for those needing Nursing Care**

Our diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 26<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August still has several places available for those who need Nursing Care or who are unable to travel or stay in Lourdes on their own. Flights are from Newcastle, directly to Lourdes, Accommodation will be in the Accueil Marie St Frai and there will be the assistance of the pilgrimage nurses and doctors throughout the week in Lourdes as well as many helpers. The cost for those staying in the Accueil is £895.00 per person. Anyone wishing to go is asked to contact The Lourdes Pilgrimage Office at St Robert's Morpeth (01670 513410 or [lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk)) for a Booking Form and Medical Consent Form. A medical assessment will be made to make sure the pilgrimage can offer the appropriate care. Closing date for application is 21<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

#### **Serve the Lord with Gladness:**

##### **Days of Reflection for All Ministries**

Ushaw College, Durham Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019 - 10.30am - 3.30pm Led by Fr. Mark Millward Dean of the Benedict Partnership. (Registration and refreshments from 9.45) A light lunch will be provided.

Or St. Joseph Parish Hall, Gateshead Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - 10.30am - 3.30pm Led by Veronica Murphy from the Archdiocese of Liverpool (Registration and refreshments from 9.45) Please bring a packed lunch **BOOKING ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED** Please contact Fr Chris to book through your Parish or contact the Department for Liturgy on 0191 243 3312 or e-mail: [liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk)

#### **Decoration of Parish Property**

When the property survey took place, it acknowledged that quite a bit of decoration needs to take place on parish properties. If anyone can recommend a good decorator to carry out this work, please inform Fr Chris.

#### **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, Farringdon Road, Cullercoats.

#### **Diocesan Festival statement:**

For six years we have had a highly successful annual diocesan festival. In good biblical tradition this year will be a fallow year. We will be back in June 2020 with a bigger and brighter vision inspired by 'The God who speaks' (Bishops Conference of England and Wales Year of the Word 2020). To receive updates and to be the first to book check out our Diocesan social media page and website. Now lost for something to do on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019? Join us at the Emmaus Youth Village for a family day filled with Fun and Faith - details to follow.

#### **Tyne & Wear Citizens North of Tyne Mayoral Assembly**

As you may know a new combined authority of North of Tyne is being established. This will bring together the local councils of Newcastle, North Tyneside and Northumberland. There will be an elected Mayor for this authority, with elections taking place on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tyne & Wear Citizens are organising an assembly where key 'asks' on areas such as food poverty, mental health provision, hate crime and rural issues will be put to the candidates. The assembly will be taking place on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Tyne Opera House on the West Road. If you want to see the candidates and hear the promises they will be making you are very welcome to attend and encourage others to do so. The event will also give you an opportunity to learn more as to how Community Organisation enables grass roots groups such as churches to use their power to bring about the common good. For more information contact Fr Chris at: [chris1707hughes@live.co.uk](mailto:chris1707hughes@live.co.uk). You have to register for the event. You can do so at: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tyne-wear-citizens-mayoralassembly-tickets-56500739232](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tyne-wear-citizens-mayoralassembly-tickets-56500739232).

#### **Settlement Scheme for EU/EEA citizens who wish to remain in the UK after Brexit.**

Fr Chris is aware that many parishioners will be applying for the above scheme after the UK leaves the EU. The Bishops conference would draw people's attention to a dedicated website recently launched by the European Commission: [www.eurights.uk](http://www.eurights.uk). This site includes:

- Impartial information about the Settlement Scheme
- Details of local information sessions across the country
- An option for parishes, groups or organisations to book an immigration solicitor free of charge to attend information sessions that they are hosting

I hope this website is of help to anyone who is thinking of applying for the Settlement Scheme.

Prayers for those who feel uncertain regarding their future in the UK

#### **Coffee after Sunday Mass at St Cuthberts**

**Please note there will be no coffee after Mass on Easter Sunday.**

Thanks for the response to our request for volunteers for serving coffee after Sunday morning Mass, we are always happy for more help.