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20th Sunday of Year C – 18th August 2019

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	**18th**	**20th Sunday of Year C**	**St O**	**9.30am**	Florence Baxter	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10, Heb 12:1-4
			St M	**11.00am**	People of the Parish	Luke 12:49-53
Mon	19th	St Oswin	St M	9.30am	Moira Fullcher	Apoc 12:10-12, Matt 10:28-33
Tue	20th	St Bernard	St O	9.30am	*Service of Word & Communion*	Jud 6:11-24, Matt 19: 23-30
Wed	21st	Ded St Mary's Cathedral	St O	9.30am	Dennis Curran (MMurply)	1King 8:22-30,Eph2:19-22,Jn4:19-24
Thu	22nd	Queenship of Mary	St M	9.30am	Ezekiel Williams	Jud 11: 29-39, Matt 22: 1-14
Fri	23rd	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Dr Kevin Phillips (LL)	Ruth 1: 1-22, Matt 22: 34-40
Sat	24th	St Bartholomew	St O		*No Service*	
Sun	**25th**	**21st Sunday of Year C**	**St O**	**9.30am**	People of the Parish	Is 66: 18-21, Heb 12: 5-13
			St M	**11.00am**	Richard Hudson-Storey	Luke 13: 22-30

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 August: Tessa Bell, Ita Malia, Glynis Reay, Mary Dunleavy, Bernard Cass, Laura Miller, Olive Martin, Oscar Glen, Sue McGregor, June Barnsley, Barnaby Essenhigh, Susie Essenhigh, Monica Flynn, Mary Heslop, Kathleen Dunston, Tom McLaughlin, Fred Stimpson, Nuala Byron, Jacky Armstrong, Rose Smithers, Lyn Johnson.

Anniversaries: Cyril Marriott, Williaim Drew, Robert Marshall, Ted Raine, Pauline Leadbeater, William Burbridge, Eileen Whitfield.

Strawberry Tea – TODAY after 11am Mass at St Mary's. A short talk will be given at both churches on *St Mary's Meals* including their *'Backpack Project',* followed by delicious strawberry tea in St Mary's Hall. No charge but donations to Mary's Meals charity appreciated. *All welcome*!

First Holy Communions 2020: Parents of school children entering Year 4 are invited to collect a form to enrol their children into this sacramental programme. (Monthly preparation meetings will be held for the children on Sundays 9.50-12noon here at St Mary's church). Forms are available at Sunday Mass from the catechists.

The new Journey of Faith (RCIA) meetings begin on **Mon 23rd Sept** at **7.00pm.** These sessions are for all those interested in joining the Church, and for all who are already members of the church but would like to refresh and deepen their understanding of their faith. If you would like to explore further becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr Martin.

Congratulations to **Prue Scott and Richard Sampson** who were married at St Oswin's on Sat 10 August

We welcome into the Family of God through Baptism
Josie Faith Browell, Joel Ezra Browell,
Isaac James Browell & Isabelle Iona Browell
who were baptised at St Mary's on 11 August

Gift Aid - Thank you letters are available **TODAY** after Mass. Please collect yours as you leave as you may need it for confirmation of your yearly amount for Tax Returns .

Day of Reflection for All Ministries at Ushaw College, Durham, **Sat 28 Sept** 10.30am-3.30pm. Please let Parish Office know if you wish to attend.

St Oswin's Garden: Last week's appeal for helper in the garden produced four names. More are needed so could you consider adding your name to the list to come along with a trowel when it suits you? Contact Terry 259 5259.

Stewards at St Oswin's 9.30am Mass: we still need another person to collect the money. These days we are all called upon to help the church and this is one of the easiest ways to do it since you are at Mass anyway. All you have to do is commit to two months each year. Two stewards are on duty for flexibility on the day. Please consider if you can help. Contact Terry 259 5259.

Summer Quiz - take a copy of our summer quiz from back of church. Cost £1 with all proceeds going to Street Pastors who do such good work in Tynemouth and Whitley Bay. Please return your completed sheet by Sunday 8 Sep. Any queries to Maureen Robinson.

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

First Reading *Jeremiah 38:4-6.8-10*

This describes the persecution of the prophet Jeremiah, whom Christians see as a figure of Christ.

The kings leading men spoke to the king. Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin. He is in your hands as you know, King Zedekiah answered for the king is powerless against you. So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. My lord king, he said, these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die. At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 39*

Response: **Lord, come to my aid!**

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.

2. He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm

3. He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord

4. As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay.

Second Reading *Hebrews 12:1-4*

The author exhorts his readers to persevere in their faith, drawing strength from the example of Christ and all those who have gone before them.

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading *Luke 12:49-53*

The coming of Christ marks a time of division in which people will be called on to declare their loyalties.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

Question of the week

(*for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)*

When has your taking a strong stand on a moral issue created division rather than healing in the short term?

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