

24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year C, 14th & 15th September 2019

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

This week we have an exchange between Moses and the Lord. Moses asks God not to destroy his people by reminding him that he had promised to make their descendants as many as the stars of heaven. We sometimes think that God does not listen, but he does and he spared the people. St Paul reflects on his life to Timothy. It is never far from his mind how he tried to destroy the Church in its infancy and he is so grateful to the Lord Jesus for saving him. The role of the Father in the story of the Prodigal Son is both moving and compassionate. He is our Father too and we can rest assured that he will hold onto us out of love despite all our faults.

Deacon Terry

When you enter church for Mass, we thank you for turning off your phone or switching to silent.

PARISH NOTICES



Today we celebrate Home Mission Sunday. We are invited to find ourselves in the Gospel story as we accompany

the characters who call out, 'Rejoice with me!' These words express the joy of finding something, or someone they had lost. Imagine the joy in your own heart when you see someone you love coming home to Church, because they are seeking, or have found Christ. Occasionally this happens by direct divine intervention, but more often we are called to be the face of Christ, praying for, inviting and welcoming those we love into a relationship with Him.

Thankfully we are not alone in this task. The Home Mission Office is a national organisation that helps the local Church engage in the vital mission of Evangelisation. This weekend, they ask for our prayers and our financial support through the second collection. Our prayers help them to be attentive to the Holy Spirit who directs their work, and our donations to the second collection will enable them to help the local Church share the joy of the Gospel throughout England and Wales. In short, the second collection helps them to help us. For more information about the Home Mission Office or to donate online please visit www.homemission.org.uk

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) MEETING

If you have any queries you wish to raise with the PPC you should bring it to the attention of one of your Church Council members before the next meeting which takes place at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th September.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

The parish Monday Club will meet on Monday 16th September in the Parish Rooms at St Edward's after the Service. City Guide Pat Lowery will talk about "Murderous Newcastle", looking at some of the more "interesting" events in the city's history and everyone is very welcome.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We need cake bakers, scone makers, biscuit lovers, cupcake decorators, coffee drinkers, tea sinkers, ticket sellers, money takers, dishwashers, clearer uppers, but most of all, YOU to come along and bring your friends, (and your cakes!) to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Wednesday 18th September at 10.45am for our Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning. Over the past five years we have raised in the region of £5000 for this very worthwhile cause, please come along and help us to do even better this year. If you would like further information contact Chris on 07984963769.

CONCERT - IN CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

To help towards the costs of the recent Parish Celebration of Ministry in conjunction with Monsignor Faley's 40th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood, a concert by Tyneside A Cappella Ladies' Chorus and Compass Men's Choir will be presented at St Edward's Church at 7.30pm on Saturday 19th October. Tickets are on sale at all Masses from this weekend, and cost £7 (includes a glass of wine or soft drink). *To avoid mortification of the flesh, you may bring a soft cushion to sit on.*

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Monday 16th September and Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk through Hulne Park at Alnwick. This is an easy level walk along good paths through peaceful countryside and woodland and passing by the ruins of Hulne Priory. For further details contact Jim on 0191 2669035 or 07932696795. Please meet at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church car park at 9.30am.

BLUE TABLECLOTHS

There are a few large and small blue checked tablecloths missing from Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Could I please ask those who have volunteered to wash them recently to see if they are at the bottom of their ironing basket? Many thanks.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The next 'Journey of Faith' begins on Thursday 26th September in the Parish Rooms at St Edward's Presbytery and will run on alternate Thursdays, 7.00pm -9.00pm, from then until after Easter. The sessions are for anyone considering becoming a Catholic, or any Catholic who wishes to refresh their faith. Please consider if you know anyone for whom this may be appropriate and pass the word on. It would be helpful if names could be given either to Monsignor Andrew, Deacon Terry, or to the Parish Office.

REVIVING THE PASSION FOR CHRIST

You are invited to a day on Saturday 21st September from 10am - 4pm at St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields (chapel) with Fr Michael Hickey to explore who God is, what the church is about, who we are, to revel in God's love for us and reconnect with him in our world. Tea & coffee will be provided but please bring your own lunch. Let us know if you would like to come, either through your own parish priest or Fr Michael on 07912 060628.

A MESSAGE FROM FIONA

A big thank you to all who responded to my recent fundraising appeal. Five people did the sponsored walk and I am delighted to tell you that we have raised £1,205. The fundraising is ongoing but most of the necessary work is to be carried out over the next ten days. Please continue to support the shop in the future. God bless you all. Thank you again, Fiona.

TYNESIDE PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership has now started its Property & Community Review. More details in next week's bulletin.

OTHER NOTICES

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS, DAY OF REFLECTION FOR ALL MINISTRIES

Ushaw College, Durham, Saturday, 28th September, 10.30am - 3.30pm (registration and refreshments from 9.45). Led by Fr Mark Millward, Dean of the Benedict Partnership (nb this is a repeat of the day offered in May). Tea, Coffee and a light lunch will be provided. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Please contact the parish office if you are interested or contact the Department for Liturgy on 0191 2433312 or email: liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk

YOUTH MINISTRY MODULE

All those who work with young people or have an interest in youth ministry are invited to take the CCRS module in youth ministry as a stand-alone module. The course covers the theology and principles of youth ministry, an understanding of faith development, a variety of approaches to working with young people and an opportunity to share ideas and good practice in parishes and partnerships. It takes place over two Saturdays 12th October and 23rd November at the Emmaus Village. For further information or to book a place, email education@diocesehn.org.uk

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 if you have an enquiry (number below).

Parish Office opening hours: Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am - 1.00pm, 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.

MASS INTENTIONS & OTHER SERVICES			
DAY	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	OUR LADY'S AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 14th September THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	9.30am Private Intention (LM) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm The Recently Deceased	
Sunday 15th September 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR HOME MISSION SUNDAY	11.00am Angela Cooke (PC)		9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 16th September SS CORNELIUS	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 17th September ST ROBERT BELLARMINE	7.00pm Monica Kennedy (M & RK)		
Wednesday 18th September	8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am Sr. Perla	
Thursday 19th September ST THEODORE OF CANTERBURY	9.30am Linda Harley (MP) 7.00pm Compline		
Friday 20th September SS ANDREW KIM, PAUL CHONG HASANG & COMPANIONS		10.00am George Burn (HS)	
Saturday 21st September ST MATTHEW	9.30am Beth Turner (MP) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm Jorge & Carmen (J & DJ)	
Sunday 22nd September	11.00am Lilys Cooke (PC)		9.30am People of the Parish (especially children who have started school for the first time)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S
Sunday 15th September, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)	Isaac Joshua Jones
Sunday 22nd September, 12.30pm (Fr Andrew)	Edward Harry Rhodes
Sunday 22nd September, 12.30pm (Fr Andrew)	Clementine Rose Milburn

Please remember in your prayers Terry Murphy, Nicola Burns, Kathryn Newton-Henderson and George Miller who are ill. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Margaret Teresa McDonnell, Catherine Ann Hawthorne and Bill Parker.

Hospital Chaplaincies

North Tyneside General Hospital, Rake Lane, North Shields & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Northumbria Way, Cramlington: Contact Fr Stephen Watson 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.

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.

READINGS AT MASS
24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 15TH SEPTEMBER 2019
The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First reading

Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!"' the Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.' But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: "I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.'" So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

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

Psalm

Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-13,17,19

Response: *I will leave this place and go to my father*

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| <p>1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin.</p> <p>3. O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit.
A humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.</p> | <p>2. A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.</p> |
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Second reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 15:1-10

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: 'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

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.