Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

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25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year C, 21st & 22nd September 2019

The Cycle of Prayer

Ordinary Time—Autumn

During Ordinary Time from September to Advent, we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

We are taught to develop ways to love one another. Amos says that if you have plenty, do not look down on those who have less, because it will not go unnoticed by God. In the letter to Timothy, the advice given is to pray for those in authority so that everyone else can live a peaceful life, for God wishes everyone to be saved. As disciples we are called to act for the good of others at all times and we should do what the steward did, be generous with everyone. What we do with our time and resources says a great deal about our priorities. The care we take over our souls is the best

When you enter the Church for Mass, we thank you for turning off your phone or switching to silent. PARISH NOTICES

BISHOP BYRNE - PASTORAL LETTER

A Pastoral Letter from the Bishop will be read at all Masses this Sunday.

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

This Sunday is a Day of Special Prayer in Thanksgiving for the Harvest and for the Fruits of Human Work.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mgr Andrew discussed with the Parish Council changing the weekday Mass time at St Edward's and Immaculate Heart to 9.30am. The only concern raised was for anyone who is affected due to their bus pass starting at 9.30am. If you have a comment on the proposed change, please speak to Mgr Andrew or to a member of your Church or Parish Council. Many thanks.

GIFT AID

The Parish have received £11,531.75 from donations, which have been gift aided, in the year to 31st March 2019. Thank you to everyone who has helped us to achieve this tax refund. We will be notified later in the year of a further refund of tax from those who do not personally pay tax, but put their donations on the collection plate. If you have any questions about gift aid or would like to gift aid your donations in future please contact Michael Reynolds on 0191 6704364. The annual thank you letter from the Diocese is available in the Narthex/back of church. PLEASE collect yours to avoid postal costs.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Coffee morning on Wednesday - it was a huge success! We collected just over £700 on the day and if anyone who couldn't make the Coffee Morning would like to make a donation, there will be some collection boxes at the back of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

The Parish Monday Club will meet on Monday 23rd September in the Parish Rooms at St Edward's after the Service. Our topic will be "Holiday Memories" and everyone is very welcome to come and share memories of times and places they have enjoyed.

PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next luncheon club will be held on Wednesday, 25th September at 12 noon at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

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.

MINDFUL HOUR

The Mindful Hour for October will be on Wednesday 2nd October at 7pm in St Edward's Parish rooms. The theme this month will be St Teresa of Avilla's poem "God alone is enough". All welcome.

BEREAVEMENT DROP-IN COFFEE MORNINGS

Starting on Friday 4th October, there will be a drop-in Coffee Morning on the first Friday of every month in the meeting rooms at St Edward's Presbytery, from 11am until 12.30pm. This is open to anyone (Catholic or Non-Catholic) who has been bereaved and might like to chat with others in an understanding and supportive environment.

CONCERT - IN CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

To help towards the costs of the recent Parish Celebration of Ministry in conjunction with Monsignor HOLY NAME CHURCH 90TH - GUEST LECTURE SERIES 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.

A MESSAGE FROM FIONA—SHALOM SHOP

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.

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership has now started its Property & Community Review.

OTHER NOTICES

WHINSTONE LODGE COFFEE MORNING

A Coffee Morning will be held in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support at Whinstone Lodge in Monkseaton on Friday 27th September at 11.30am. All are welcome. Cakes, cuppas and cash at the ready!!

HILLHEADS COMMUNITY CHURCH – SLEEPOVER

Hillheads Community Church are planning a night sleepover in their church grounds on Friday 27th September from 8.00pm using cardboard boxes to highlight the problem with people sleeping on the streets. The money raised will be donated to the Street Pastors in Whitley Bay, who help the homeless. Thank you. Geoff Noble

Professor Stephen Regan, Director of Poetry and Poetics at Durham University, will give two presentations at Holy Name Church, Jesmond about the poetry of devotion. In the first lecture on Wednesday 2 October at 7pm in the Hall on Towers Avenue, Stephen will give a talk about the life and work of Gerard Manley Hopkins, concentrating on a single poem, "The Windhover". His second lecture at a future date will focus on Francis Thompson, who was a student at Ushaw College. There is no fee and all are welcome.

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/to book a place, email education@diocesehn.org.uk

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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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

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 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 25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Lilys Cooke (PC)		9.30am People of the Parish (especially children who have started school for the first time)
Monday 23rd September ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 24th September OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	7.00pm Julia Judge (S & TC)		
Wednesday 25th September	8.00pm Prayer Group	10.00am The Forgotten Souls (RD)	
Thursday 26th September SS COSMAS & DAMIAN	9.30am Word & Communion 7.00pm Compline		
Friday 27th September ST VINCENT DE PAUL		10.00am George Miller (AM)	
Saturday 28th September ST WENCESLAUS	9.30am Philip Rafferty (G & PR) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 29th September 26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Peggy Lazzari & Mary Graham (M & ME)		9.30am Special Intention (LH)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S	
Sunday 22nd September, 12.30pm (Fr Andrew)	Edward Harry Rhodes	
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<u>Please remember in your prayers</u> 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 25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 22ND SEPTEMBER 2019

The Order of Mass is in the Laudate Hymn book from page 200.

First reading Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 112(113):1-2,4-8

Response: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor

- Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
 May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!
- 3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people.
- 2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

Second reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument. The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes." Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." 'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. 'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? 'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

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.