

31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, Year C, 2nd & 3rd November 2019

The Cycle of Prayer

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.

Ordinary Time—Autumn

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

When Jesus tells Zacchaeus to come down from the tree and let Him into his life, He brings meaning of the words from Wisdom in that “You love all that exists... so that they may trust in you, Lord”. When we offer hospitality to others we transform them from acquaintances to friends. Jesus does not wait for Zacchaeus to invite him He invites himself. The compassion of God promises us a future where the blessings of salvation will be brought to fulfilment. Jesus also calls and invites us to open ourselves up to him so he can extend his love and hospitality to all.

Deacon Terry

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

PARISH NOTICES

RECENTLY DECEASED

- ◆ Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wendy Jeffs who died on 18th October aged 52 years. A Funeral Service will be celebrated at 2.15pm on 5th November at Whitley Bay Cemetery Chapel followed by burial. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- ◆ Please pray for the repose of the soul of Noel Bogie who died on 27th October aged 97 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on 8th November at St Edward’s Church, Whitley Bay, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH MASS TIMES

Thanks to those Parishioners who shared their views regarding the change in the time of Mass at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton. In the light of these views and discussion with the Parish Pastoral Council, the time of weekday Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays at Immaculate Heart Church will move from 10.00am to 9.30am, unless otherwise announced. This change will take effect from 1st November 2019. Mgr Andrew.

ST EDMUND’S AND ECCLES COURT RESIDENTS

St Edmund’s have been invited to hold a short service at Eccles Court Backworth on Sunday 3rd November at 3pm and would be pleased if anyone interested would join us for some prayers, hymns and refreshments with the residents. The residents welcome different denominations each month and

we have joined them a couple of times in the last two years and enjoyed it very much. Please come along.

PARISH MONDAY CLUB

The Parish Monday Club will meet on the 4th November in the Parish Rooms at St Edward’s after the Service. Our topic will be “Newspaper Reviews” and everyone is very welcome.

MINDFUL HOUR

The mindful hour for November will be on 6th November at 7pm in St Edwards Parish rooms. The theme this month is 'All Saints'. All are welcome.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will take place on Wednesday 6th November and will be in the Beamish area. We will be taking a walk through the woods to hopefully catch a little late autumn colour. The six mile route will be on good footpaths and minor roads, could be muddy in places after wet weather. Please meet at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 9.30am. For further information please contact Pauline and David Warren 0191 251 5404.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The next meeting of the Journey of Faith takes place on Thursday 14th November and addresses the questions of ‘What is grace?’ and ‘What are the Sacraments’. The meeting starts at 7pm in St Edward’s parish rooms and all are welcome.

IMMACULATE HEART RED MISSION BOXES

Our autumn collection will be later this year. Could you please wait and bring your boxes to church during the first two weekends in December. With many thanks for your continued support.

THANK YOU

Dear Father and Parishioners, sincere thanks for allowing us to visit your parish. We thank the Lord for your hospitality and help during the visit of our Sisters. We appreciate your assistance and kindness greatly. We are most grateful for the donation collected in your parish which will allow us to continue our outreach services and programmes for orphanage children with psychophysical deficiencies, and for people led astray by life, including food, shelter and clothing. You are welcome here at St. Elisabeth Convent. Sister Olga and the Sisters of St Elisabeth Convent.

ST EDMUND'S CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA

We are asking for seasonal gifts for a fundraising tombola in aid of International Refugee Trust, our chosen charity. We haven't been able to send our usual amount of £1000 this year so would be grateful for your usual generosity in raising as much as possible this Christmas for The Moyo Babies Home and Redeemer Children's Home in Northern Uganda, cared for by the Sacred Heart Sisters. Thanking you in anticipation.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE SUPPORTED BY DE PAUL UK.

As in previous years we are hoping to provide some treats for our young people supported by De Paul UK. This year we are asking for: Our Lady & St Edmunds - 60 packs of multi biscuits. St Edward's - 50 jars of coffee. Immaculate Heart of Mary - 60 jars of jam. With our thanks for the support always shown, Sheila Clapperton and Ann Garland.

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Beatrice O'Shea on her 100th birthday on Wednesday 6th November 2019. Enjoy your special celebration with the family.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday 6th November 2019 at 7pm at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

OTHER NOTICES

THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM AND NEWCASTLE VACANCY - Head of Communications

We are looking for an experienced and enthusiastic individual to take responsibility for the delivery of our Communications Strategy. You will have experience of identifying the resources and infrastructure required to take this from concept through to implementation. This new senior role is an opportunity for someone to join the charity, establish a plan and identify the team to deliver the strategy. For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website www.rcdhn.org.uk Closing date for applications: 5pm on 18 November.

CATHOLIC HISTORY SOCIETY

At the next meeting at 2pm on Wednesday 6th November, Michael Gatherar will speak about "The Victoria Cross winners of Stoneyhurst College". St Joseph's, High St West, Gateshead.

CHRISTIAN AID invite us to a time of fellowship and Christmas cheer on the morning of Saturday 9th November 2019 at Brunswick Methodist Church in Newcastle. The event will start with mince pies and hot drinks. Can you bring a Christmas story to tell? It could be joyful, sad or funny. You'll also hear stories from around the world, sharing with those connected to Christian Aid's Christmas Appeal. To book your place, please email newcastle@christian-aid.org or call us on 01912280115.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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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

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 AND ST EDMUND'S
Saturday 2nd November THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED	9.30am May Glendinning (LL) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm People of the Parish	
Sunday 3rd November 31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am Monica Kennedy (M & RK)		9.30am Private Intention (LH)
Monday 4th November ST CHARLES BORROMEO	9.30am Word & Communion	10.00am Word & Communion	
Tuesday 5th November	7.00pm Private Intention		
Wednesday 6th November	8.00pm Prayer Group	9.30am Beatrice O'Shea (MR)	
Thursday 7th November ST WILLIBRORD	9.30am Susan Jeffs (MS) 7.00pm Compline		
Friday 8th November	10.00am Requiem Mass Noel Bogie		
Saturday 9th November THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	9.30am Bill Parker (S & AM) 10.00am CONFESSIONS	5.30pm - 5.50pm CONFESSIONS 6.00pm Deceased members of the Steele & Wilkinson families (LS)	
Sunday 10th November 32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.00am People of the Parish		9.30am John Convey (TW)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S	OUR LADY & ST EDMUND'S
Sunday 3rd November, 12.30pm (Fr Andrew)	Chloe Araniello	
Sunday 3rd November, 12.30pm (Deacon Terry)		Louis Harris Charlton

Please remember in your prayers Terry Murphy, Nicola Burns, Kathryn Newton-Henderson, George Miller and Margaret Ward who are ill. Please also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Leslie Taylder, Fr Bill Rooke, Wendy Jeffs and Noel Bogie.

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

31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 3RD NOVEMBER 2019

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

First reading

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

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

Psalm

Psalm 144(145):1-2,8-11,13b-14

Response: *I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.*

1. I will give you glory, O God my king,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down.

Second reading

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance: he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.