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

# Saint Cuthbert Catholic Church Albion Road West North Shields

## Tynemouth Priory Partnership



#### Saint Joseph Catholic Church Wallsend Road North Shields

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#### Parish website information at: http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

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.

#### **Partnership Telephone Numbers**

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			30th/31st May 2020 – Pentecost Sunday - A		
		Masses, Devot		ions and Services	
			St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church	
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> May		9:30am: Mass No confessions	5:30pm: Mass: No confessions	
Sunday 31st May Pentecost Sunday- A		Closed	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish LIVE SCREENING AVAILABLE		
Monday	1st June		9:30am: Mass:		
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> June	o to		9:30am: Mass:	
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> June	၂၀	9:30am: Mass:		
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> June	congre		9:30am: Mass:	
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> June	Te	9:30am: Mass:		
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup> June	gation	9:30am: Mass No confessions	5:30pm: Mass: No confessions	
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#### The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

What's App group: text your name and number to 07752009361 to be added to StCuthStJosNshields Group

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

Website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

Parish office: 0191 257 3408

Please contact us for help needed or offered



Acts 2:1-11

They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 103
Response: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

- Bless the Lord, my soul!
   Lord God, how great you are.
  - How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.
- May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
   May the Lord rejoice in his works!
   May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
   I find my joy in the Lord.
- 2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth.

**SECOND READING** 

Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you; receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.

Those who are sick: please pray for all who are sick, 'all victims of the pandemic; all health and care workers; a deeper understanding between Christian and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights, those suffering mental illness and seafarers' for all who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Catherine West, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Fred Stimpson, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Veronica Owens, Sheelagh Goodwin, Alf McManus, Barbara & Tony Hicks 'Baby Stevie Dawn Roadment', Jenny Toscin, Christine Black and Jim Campbell.

Please pray for George Mathwin, Ailsa Palmer and Peter Hughes and all those who have died recently and for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

#### **Pentecost Sunday**

On this great feast day of Pentecost I would like to wish you all the blessings of this day. Pentecost transformed a group of people who had been traumatised by the death of Christ, given new hope by his resurrection and them again had to let go of him. Now through a power not of their own they are transformed to carry on Christ's ministry. May we be aware of that same power in this challenging time so we too can be people of inspiring faith, love and hope

#### **Centenary Birthday Celebrations**

On May 31st Mrs Ines Fox, now a resident at Princess Court, will be a 100! We had hoped to have her present at church for her 100th birthday but that is clearly not possible today. To Ines, a very happy birthday and I hope you can still celebrate this great occasion. With prayers every best wish to you Ines and your family from all of us at St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's Parish

#### **Communications in the Parish**

The Mass on Sunday is live streamed through the parish Face Book page and can be found at:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/The-Parish-of-Saint-Cuthbert-and-Saint-Joseph-North-Shields-798826703506481/videos/?ref=page\_internal

The Parish newsletter is on the partnership website: http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk/

If you know of parishioners who are not online please print out the newsletter and put through their letter box. If people would like the newsletter e-mailed, please e-mail:

<u>northshields.stcuthbert@rcdhn.org.uk</u> and I will make sure it is e-mailed to you.

#### A Prayer

May our feet journey together,
May our hands gather in unity,
May our hearts beat in unison,
May our souls be in harmony,
May our thoughts be as one,
May our ears listen to the silence together,
May our glances profoundly penetrate each other,
May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal
Father. Amen. \*

Jesus to Elizabeth Kindlemann

#### **CAFOD Emergency Appeal**

CAFOD, our Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, launched its coronavirus emergency appeal on 30th April. Coronavirus (Covid-19) has now spread worldwide, with confirmed cases in many countries where CAFOD works. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries are likely to be devastating. Many countries have very weak healthcare systems and will not be able to cope. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water, possibly living with other diseases, will be particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. It is not just a public health emergency. Many of the world's most vulnerable people will lose their jobs and be unable to support their families. The poorest and most marginalised communities, working hard to transform their lives, will be pushed further into poverty.

CAFOD is adapting its programmes to help manage the risk of coronavirus in communities and working with local Church aid agencies on the frontline of this crisis. They are already working to get food to where it is needed most; to improve hygiene, handwashing and sanitation in communities and households: producing radio messages, posters and leaflets in local languages on risks and prevention; and training community volunteers to carry out awareness campaigns. In order to continue protecting and improving the lives of those in poor communities, your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever. While we are not able to hold collections in church, you can donate cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal, CAFOD have also released a number of online resources during lockdown: cafod.org.uk/parishes has a two-minute video message from me about the appeal – please consider sharing this with your congregations however you are in touch - whether in online Masses or gatherings you're doing, or just by putting the link in an email. Also at cafod.org.uk/parishes you'll find tips for gathering virtually, prayer resources, children's activities and our step-by-step guide to set up a parish collection page online. There are ideas from parishes around the country about getting online as a parish community. We also have a programme of online talks about our response work as well as a weekly live-streamed Mass and Sunday Children's Liturgy.

#### From the Diocesan Refugee Project

The Management Group of the Diocesan Justice and Peace Refugee Project wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the generosity being shown towards the work of the project at present. Your individual contributions – at a time of hardship for many of us - show a kindness and humanity that is truly humbling. Be assured that your donations are making a huge difference to the lives of some of the most vulnerable members of our community. God bless you.

#### **Mercy Associates and Lockdown**

Although unable to meet Sr Patricia and the Mercy Associates continue to pray for the Parish and everyone affected by this terrible virus. A book of prayer intentions is kept in the Convent Chapel and are read out during the Daily Office. You are very welcome to submit any prayer requests you may have. You can do this either by telephoning Catherine Kelly on 0191 6801827 or email <a href="mailto:rayqk@hotmail.co.uk">rayqk@hotmail.co.uk</a> We are also trying to look out for each other by keeping in touch via phone. If you would like to receive one of our telephone calls or a copy of our monthly prayer, please either let Fr Chris know or contact us as above.

#### Being a Lockdown Church

As the lockdown is extended for at least another two weeks and even when it is eased whether large public gatherings will be allowed that as a Community of Faith we need to reflect carefully as to how we can minister and live out our mission as Church despite the restrictions of lockdown. The live streaming of Holy Week and Sunday Masses have been important but as a parish we need to reflect on what else can be done. That is why I have e-mailed reps from the various parish groups and our schools to reflect on how their group or school could still contribute to the life of the parish. I appreciate that there could be very little that can be done but I sense there is no harm in asking the question and as from the live streaming of masses and other use of social media there can be creative solutions.

I appreciate that reps from the various parish group only represent a fraction of the community so if you yourself have any ideas as to how we as a parish can live out our mission please let me know.

There is a great sense of community and support despite that we cannot meet together. Please continue to pray for each other and support each other as best we can.

The parishioners are in my prayers when I say Mass on Sunday and in an empty chapel during the week-days

## DIOCESAN REFUGEE PROJECT- FOOD AND FINANCE URGENTLY NEEDED

Due to restrictions in supermarkets and limited attendance at churches, our food supplies are diminishing quickly. We would urge food collection co-ordinators in parishes to explore different ways of collecting the food items that you would normally provide and continue to get as much to the project as possible.

Suggestions might include asking parishioners (via parish websites, bulletins and other means) to drop items at identified collection points such as parish offices and/or directly at the project. Collection from you may also be possible. We are very happy to receive any of the following: Biscuits, Coffee, Sugar, Chick Peas, Salt, Teabags, Cooking Oil, Tinned Fish, Baked Beans, Tinned Tomatoes, Spaghetti, Toothpaste and Soap.

# There will be a basket in foyer to leave donations at St Cuthbert's, on a Sunday from 10.15am to 12 noon

Financial contributions are also very welcome too: Cheques to DH&N DESTITUTE ASYLUM FUND. Address: Refugee Project, 2 Summerhill Grove, Newcastle NE4 6EE. Bank transfers – HSBC Sort code: 40-34-18 Account number: 52854058

We will also be communicating this urgent request via the Diocesan Website and other means.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support – it is vital at this time. God bless you.

#### **Divine Mercy Devotion**

A framed picture of the Divine Mercy will make its way round the parish during this time. For parishioners not able to connect via internet or technology this is a blessed way of connecting and praying together. The framed picture will be delivered safely and hygienically to each home with prayers and guidance of how it may be used to pray for the parish and our world at this time.

If you would like to have this framed picture in your home or you know someone who would benefit from this, please contact Cely Ann on 07843076248.

#### **Financial Offerings**

I am reluctant to talk about money knowing that many people have lost jobs or have had incomes reduced during this crisis. However with no offerings taken since lockdown began and it could be some time before the Church re-opens. With about £700 taken each weekend the Church income is significantly down, this has also been reduced by the Church hall not being rented out and with the Trinity Charity shop having to close for the time being. Measures have been taken to reduce costs including the furloughing for at least three weeks of the parish administrator, Katherine Main.

I am grateful for some of you who have posted through your envelopes or asked to make standing orders. I am also aware that the offertory envelopes have now run out. We are exploring how we could get the envelopes to you though we would prefer it if you kept them to one side and gave them when church re-opened safer rather than risking coming out to put them through either presbytery letterbox. The safest and most efficient way of giving to the Church at the moment is either to set up a standing order for your weekly contribution or a one-off payment.

I appreciate that in these restricted times many will not be able to do this. If you are able to and would like to set up a standing order or a one-off payment the details of the parish account to enable you to do this are below. If your contributions are not gift aided I can arrange for you to receive the relevant form.

Please contact me if you have any queries

Name: DHN North Shields: St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC

**Sort code** 40-34-45, account number 91146513

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