

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP
 Parish of
OUR LADY & ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH
 &
ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS

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14th Sunday of Year A – 5th July 2020

Places of Worship across the Diocese are gradually being opened for private prayer and for public worship, as long as they are 'Covid-secure', with social distancing rules, risk assessments, use of sanitisers, one way systems etc. in place. This will naturally take some time to implement and so it will be a phased process.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in July: Bernard Cass

And we pray for Fr Michael Hickey who died during the week. (He was living in retirement in the presbytery at St Cuthbert's and enjoyed helping out in the area). May he rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Margaret Hayden, George Safe, Agnes Coole, Hugh Rogan, Peter Toole, Monica Burns, John Reynolds, Samuel Hill, William Routledge, Catherine Langley, Margaret Greely, Helen Kendal.

Fr Martin will be saying Mass, on his own, during this time. If parishioners would like a Mass intention to be celebrated then please let the parish office know in the usual way.

Don't forget to visit the Diocesan Website for all the latest news on churches reopening:
www.rcdhn.org.uk

We are invited to Pray the Rosary at home each Friday at 9.00am, knowing that there are other parishioners praying the rosary at the same time.

An On-line Scripture Resource for all the family is available at: www.wednesdayword.org

Prayer for the End of the Virus:

Almighty and merciful Father, who show your love to all your children.

We come before you asking for a quick control of the Coronavirus currently ravaging our world.

Hear graciously the prayers we make for those affected by the virus in various parts of the world.

Grant healing to the sick, eternal life to the dead and consolation to the bereaved families.

We pray that an effective medicine to combat the sickness be speedily found.

We pray for the relevant governments and health authorities that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. Look upon us in your mercy and forgive us our failings. Amen.

Initial Opening of Churches for Private Prayer:

Bishop Robert has arranged for Our Lady's and St Columba's in Wallsend to be the first church in our partnership to open for individual prayer from 7 July, at the following times:

Tues & Thurs 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Sat 10.30am - 12.30pm & Sun 3.00pm – 5.00pm

It is likely that the other two large churches in the partnership, St Cuthbert's and St Edwards, will follow. St Mary's will hopefully be in the following wave. We wait our turn patiently for the diocesan Health and Safety Officer to contact us and to begin the risk assessments. Full details of all the churches which have re-opened for private prayer are available on the Diocesan website.

A Handbook for the Re-opening of Churches is available for viewing on the Diocesan Website. It indicates the complex measures needed to be implemented for the safe re-opening of our churches.

Volunteers will be Needed to prepare our Churches for re-opening. A minimum of two Stewards will be required to be present each time a church opens. For information on clinically vulnerable groups, please read page three of our handbook which includes links to HM Government Guidance. If you would like to assist with this then please contact Fr Martin. (*It would be useful to look at the Handbook for the re-opening of Churches*).

Parish Finances: What should we do with the weekly envelopes? It is probably best to simply keep these envelopes until the churches re-open. If you prefer, you can always make a donation via the internet or set up a standing order with the parish, to the following HSBC account:

Name: DHN Tynemouth Our Lady & St Oswin
 Account Number: 12011336
 Sort code: 40-34-18

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

The messianic king is portrayed, not as a proud warrior, but as a humble and gentle champion of peace for all peoples.

The Lord says this: ‘Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.’

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 144

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

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| 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

Romans 8:9.11-13

St. Paul contrasts life ‘in the spirit’ with life ‘in the flesh’.

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus reveals the Father to those who are ‘little’, and lightens the burdens of those who are humble.

Jesus exclaimed, ‘I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ‘Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.’

Question of the week

When has Jesus refreshed you when you felt burdened by problems?