

MASS READINGS
24th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – A

FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 27:30 - 28:7
 Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are fond with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then please for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear our neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 102**
Response: The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

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| <p>1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.</p> <p>3. His wrath will come to an end,
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.</p> | <p>2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.</p> <p>4. For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.</p> |
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SECOND READING *Alive or dead we belong to the Lord*

Romans 14: 7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others: if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Alleluia
 Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 18: 21-35
 I do not tell you to forgive seven times but seventy-seven times.

Peter went up to Jesus and said, "Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?" Jesus answered, "Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times."
 "And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. 'Give me time,' he said, 'and I will pay the whole sum.' And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. 'Pay what you owe me,' he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, 'Give me time and I will pay you.' But the other would not agree, on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?' And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart."

The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, 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 Monsignor Andrew Faley ☎ 0191 252 8021 Father Martin Stempczyk ☎ 0191 251 3770 St Cuthbert's Church ☎ 0191 257 3408	Partnership Telephone Numbers Father John McElhone ☎ 0191 262 3820 Hospital Chaplaincy: Fr Stephen Watson ☎ 07815 702089 Father David Smith: ☎ 0191 262 3882	

12 th /13 th September 2020 – 24 th Sunday of the Year - A			
Masses, Devotions and Services			
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday	12 th September		5:30pm: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey Attendance by prior booking
Sunday	13 th September	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking Live Streaming	
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Monday	14 th September	No Mass	
Tuesday	15 th September		9:30am: Mass: Alan Curran
Wednesday	16 th September	9:30am: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey	
Thursday	17 th September		9:30am: Mass No Congregation
Friday	18 th September		7:00pm: Mass: Angela Cooke
Saturday	19 th September		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking
Sunday	20 th September	11:00am: Mass: Colin Dalley Attendance by prior booking Live Streaming	
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The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp 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

Telephone booking system for Masses at St. Cuthbert's

Mass Booking line: 07506 176996 at the following times

Tuesday	11am-1pm & 6pm-8pm
Wednesday	11am-1pm
Thursday	11am-1pm
Friday	11am-1pm

We pray for all victims of the pandemic; students and teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest;; The reverent use of Creation; Justice and Peace; Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and Families. We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Florence Redpath, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Fred Stimpson, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Alf McManus, Barbara & Tony Hicks 'Baby Stevie Dawn Roadment', Jim Campbell and Anne Davis. Please pray for Edward Thomas Downs and all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time'.

Reopening of St Joseph's

As the first Vigil Mass at St Joseph's is celebrated this week-end, the first time in six months, I would like to pass on my thanks to all who have helped to ensure that both churches can open in a way that is safe. To the 'Covid Team', stewards and cleaners, many thanks for your hard work. This will need to continue over the months ahead so any more offer of help will be appreciated.

I am also grateful for the support and encouragement for what has been at times a challenging experience during the past six months. There has been a strong sense of parish community which has been lovely to see

The PeerTalk North Tyneside

This group is for those living with depression, anxiety and related conditions. Find out more at: Find out more at: enquiries@peertalk.org.uk or www.peertalk.org.uk or 07719 562 617 Starts again on: Wednesday 16th September Just turn up ... no need to book and it's free Every Wednesday 7.00pm – 8.30pm Whitley Bay Big Local, 158, Whitley Road, Whitley Bay NE26 2LY.

Church Action on Poverty AGM

The Church Action on Poverty North East group are holding their Annual General Meeting via Zoom on Friday 25th September at 2pm. This will be by zoom. If you would like to take part please e-mail: capnortheast@gmail.com Diedre Brower Latz, a theologian with a particular interest in social issues and justice, will be taking part.

Second Collection The Bishop has asked that there will be a retiring collection this weekend for the 'Holy Places in palestine'

Parish Council

There will be a socially distanced meeting of the parish council on Saturday 26th September at 10-00am till 11.00am at St Cuthbert's hall.

There are at least three vacancies on the parish council. New members are welcome at this important time in the life of the parish

RCIA:

The new RCIA programme will commence on Tuesday 29th September at 7pm at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. If anyone would like to attend, please contact Teresa Hills on 07855649735 for further details. We will need to know numbers due to current social distancing restrictions.

Re-Opening of St Joseph's

St Joseph's reopened on Tuesday September 8th with the Vigil Mass being at St Joseph's from Saturday September 12th

From September 6th the format is as follows:

- Sunday 11.00 am St Cuthbert's (*Live Streamed*)
- Monday: No Mass
- Tuesday: 9.30am St Joseph's
- Wednesday: 9.30am St Cuthbert's
- Thursday: No Mass
- Friday 7.00pm St Joseph's
- Saturday 5.30pm Vigil St Joseph's

This new timetable is five Masses a week giving the parish a weekly capacity of 268

Appeal for Stewards

As mentioned at the end of Mass last week, if we are to be able to provide Mass from both Churches, it is important that that we have enough stewards to enable that people are kept safe while at Mass. I am grateful for those who have responded to my appeal. Please get in touch if you would like to be a steward. It is stewards for the Masses at St Joseph that are particularly needed

Booking for Mass

The times for booking for Mass have changed from this week. If you wish to attend the Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning please call 07506 176996 at the following times.

- Tuesday 11am-1pm & 6pm-8pm
- Wednesday 11am-1pm
- Thursday 11am-1pm
- Friday 11am-1pm

If you come to the Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday, you will be asked to leave your name and a contact detail:

By using this telephone booking system we will ask for your name and contact number/email. In this way we are able to operate a track and trace system. Following GDPR and safeguarding guidelines only your name will be provided to the door stewards and the list kept for 21 days before being destroyed.

Should you call and there are no available spaces then you will be offered a place the following week.

Sunday Mass will continue to be Live Streamed on the parish Facebook page.

Live Streaming in the Parish

The parish is very grateful for the efforts of Gerry Beldon in ensuring that Sunday Mass and some funeral liturgies can be live streamed. If anyone would like to help Gerry in this important role, any offers of help would be most appreciated. Please let Fr Chris or Gerry know if you would like to help with this important aspect of parish communications

Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals is a charity that we as a parish have actively supported. Most recently was our planned Lenten Lunch which unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the lockdown. Even so, because of your generosity in refusing refunds for tickets, we were able to donate £158. Mary's Meals have sent their grateful thanks and invite everyone to view how they are still working to provide meals even though schools are closed due to the virus. Why not take a look at their website and videos at: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/lovereacheseverywhere>

RCIA Programme

We are hoping to begin a new Journey in Faith (RCIA) course in September. The course has been running in our partnership for some years now and we had 11 candidates received into the church at Easter 2019 and we have had 7 candidates on the course this year. The course is designed for anyone wishing to join the Catholic faith, anyone wanting to explore or know more about their faith or anyone interested in coming along to share their own faith experiences with others. The sessions usually run fortnightly from September to around Pentecost and this year's course involved the final sessions taking place successfully through zoom. Our new course will be a bit different come September, as we are hoping to be able to hold some of our sessions in person (keeping to social distancing regulations) but we will also be holding some through zoom. If you are interested or you know of anyone who may be interested, or if you would like to know more about the course itself, please contact either Fr Chris or Teresa Hills on 07855 649735.

Trinity Charity Shop

The Trinity Charity shop on Wallsend Road re-opened on September 8th. My thanks to the seven parishioners who have agreed volunteer in the shop on a Thursday If you would like to help on a Thursday please contact either Myra Edwards at: 2myraedwards@gmail.com or on 07791976278: or Pat Campbell on 07812816432

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic – Church Response:

Do you need to speak to someone for support?:

For those who are seeking a Priest with whom they can speak at this time, could you please contact the Parish Priest at your local Church. For this parish it is 0191 2575801.

Dedicated counsellors and listeners are also available at the Cathedral Listening Service on 0191 232 6953 and on the Northumberland Listening Service on 07732 980740.

Communications in the Parish

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: northshields.stcuthbert@rcdhn.org.uk and I will make sure it is e-mailed to you.

To Our Catholic Universe and Catholic Times Readers in the Parish:

at the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange this for you. SPECIAL OFFER 3 MONTHS :-£18.00 or 12 Months:- £72.00

Face Coverings

Face coverings in places of worship are now a legal requirement. The stewards and I are aware that there are exemptions, including if you have breathing problems. Face masks will be available if you come to church without a face covering

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

Diocesan Refugee Project

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

Financial Offerings

I am very grateful to parishioners who have either posted envelopes or offerings through the door. I am also aware that many of you are now making your contributions through standing orders and/or bacs transfer. Your continued support is much appreciated at a time when many are facing financial difficulties. A big thank-you. If you would like to set up a standing order or make a transfer please see the details below.

Name: DHN North Shields St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC

Sort code 40-34-45, account number 91146513

COVID Secure

Firstly, thanks to all who have contributed to making St Cuthbert's Covid Secure in line with Diocesan Policy and Protocol. In order to maintain this status it is vital that we all comply with the policy. This means that from 15th July 2020 nobody should enter the Church Building unless authorised to do so by Fr Chris.

This is vital so that we will be able to open for Public Worship. To that end, should any key holder need to go into church they should contact Clare Harvey, who will facilitate Covid Secure Access. Contact: 07958701235.

Thank you all, for your patience and understanding, our main goal is to maintain the ability to have church accessible to as many people as possible.

Sheelagh Goodwin

A very big thank you to all who attended the Requiem Mass and all who were at the Crematorium. The singing at the Crematorium was very special.

Also a very big thank you to everyone who sent cards, said prayers, had masses said, offered condolences. It has all been overwhelming.

Thank you to the COVID team and Farther Chris.

We asked that donations be made to Myeloma UK in memory of Sheelagh.

The donations so far are in excess of £1,200.

Thank you all so very much.

Martin and Family.