

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

Parish of

**OUR LADY & ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH
ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS**

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St Mary's Church Hall Bookings – *Currently Closed*

St Oswin's Meeting Room Bookings

Partnership Web: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.ukDiocesan Website: www.rcdhn.org.ukFacebook Page: www.facebook.com/diocesehnTwitter: Twitter@diocesehn**25th Sunday of Year A – 20th September 2020****SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS**

| Sun | 20 th | 25 th Sunday of the Year | St O | 9.30am | David Cairns (SKing) | Is 55: 6-9, Phil 1: 20-27 Matt 20: 1-16 |
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| | | | St M | 11.00am | People of the Parish | |
| Mon | 21 st | St Matthew, Apostle | St M | | No Public Service | |
| Tue | 22 nd | Weekday | St O | | No Public Service | |
| Wed | 23 rd | Padre Pio | St O | 10.00am | Peter Flannery (SKing) | Prov 30: 5-9, Luke 9 1-6: |
| Thu | 24 th | Our Lady of Walsingham | St M | 10.00am | Josie White | Ecc 1: 2-11, Luke 9: 7-9 |
| Fri | 25 th | Weekday | St O | | No Public Service | |
| Sat | 26 th | Weekday | St O | | No Public Service | |
| Sun | 27 th | 26 th Sunday of the Year | St O | 9.30am | People of the Parish | Ezek 18: 25-28, Phil 2: 1-11 Matt 21: 28-32 |
| | | | St M | 11.00am | Peter Headley (CTait) | |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Available on request
(For the time being the Blessed Sacrament Chapel remains Closed)

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in September: David Boudge, Christopher Browne, Bernard Cass, Juan Miguel Crespo, Bob Devlin, Leo Smith and Fred Stimpson.

Anniversaries: Felicity Grant, Ida Reynolds, William Aherne, Tom McKay, Lawson Swallow, Brbara Morris,

We are allowed a capacity of only 61 at St Mary's (includes 8 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel) and only 36 at St Oswin's. Once we have more volunteers acting as stewards we aim to eventually increase the number of weekday Masses too. If necessary this arrangement can and will be reviewed.

Due to limited space we strongly recommend that you book to attend Mass on Sundays. When attending church your contact details will be taken for 'Track & Trace' purposes. (For weekdays contact details will be collected on arrival). To make sure of a place please ring this dedicated phone line: **07543 768189** on **Thursdays 11am–1pm & 6pm–8pm**. If you are coming as a family, please make that known when you phone. When you enter the church you will be asked to sanitise your hands before being taken to the seats allocated to you by the stewards. Pews will be filled from the front. Once the church capacity is reached no one else will be able to enter the church.

Thinking about Becoming a Catholic? The Diocese is offering a weekly online RCIA course for those interested. To register for this online programme please contact: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

Government regulations are that those attending church **must wear a face covering** such as a mask, scarf or snood. (those under 11 years of age are exempt or if you have a genuine medical reason). During Sunday Mass the offertory collection will not be passed around, Gift Aid envelopes and cash donations can be placed in the bucket on entry to the church. **During Mass, there will be no singing, Children's Liturgy, Bidding Prayers, Offertory Procession or Sign of Peace.** (All current rotas for readers, usher's, Extra Ordinary ministers of Holy Communion are suspended). **Holy Communion will be distributed only in the hand.** At St Mary's everyone will be asked to come forward for Holy Communion whether you are receiving or not, as directed by the stewards. At St Oswin's Holy Communion will be distributed as people leave the church. At the end of Mass, you will be asked to leave by the designated route, indicated by the stewards, and not to congregate outside of the church but to make your way home. **You must not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid-19, or are feeling unwell.** While the pandemic endures there is no obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Peer Support Group for anyone facing depression, anxiety restarts in Whitley Bay on Wed 16th Sept, 7 – 8.30pm, at The Big Local, 158 Whitley Rd, Whitley Bay, NE26 2LY. No need to book, and it's free. For more info see www.peertalk.org.uk/support-groups, call 07719 562 617 or email enquiries@peertalk.org.uk

First Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are God's ways above our ways.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 144

Response: The Lord is close to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured.
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. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts.

Second Reading

Philippians 1:20-24.27

Writing from prison, Paul is thinking of his death, and longing for complete union with Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results - I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

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 Reading

Matthew 20:1-16

This is a story about the generosity of God, which soars above human standards.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them. "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first last.'

Question of the week

What lessons do you draw from today's Gospel? How has God been generous to you in this way?