

28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 10TH & 11TH OCTOBER 2020

The Cycle of Prayer

Ordinary Time - Autumn

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN WITH YOU AND DISPOSE OF IT OUTSIDE THE CHURCH

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.**

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

In an image of life with God, the readings compare this to being present at a banquet. Though most of us don't regularly go to banquets, we can imagine that what is meant is a joyful meeting of friends and acquaintances who can celebrate together in style. In the gospel Jesus takes up the banquet theme and compares it to a wedding feast, just as Judaism compares the coming of the Messiah to a wedding feast. God invites us all to this feast but expects us to come with a good heart. As God observes those attending the feast, he notices one present who did not have the right garment on – a metaphor that he had come along with the wrong attitude or intention. Perhaps he came for the food on offer only? We ask ourselves do we have the right motivation? Are we alert to God's call or just present because we've always done it.

Deacon Terry

COVID-19 CONTINUING RESTRICTIONS IN CHURCH

We all benefit from the care we receive from our stewards, who look after us so well at Mass and who sanitize the church after use, as required by Covid-19 regulations. We assure our stewards of our heart-felt thanks for all they are doing in these challenging times. We also thank the Parish Consolation Team who prepare families for funerals and steward the church during these celebrations.

Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, has passed its risk-assessment and is available for funerals and baptisms from October. A folding partition to close off the Sanctuary has now been installed and thanks to those who kindly helped with the deep clean. Our Lady's & St Edmund's Church, Backworth, remains closed.

The number of people in St Edward's Church for Mass is strictly limited to **60** only. Once this number is reached, no one else can enter the church. Please think about attending Mass during the week rather than at the weekend, to help with numbers. To make sure of a place at the 6.00pm Vigil or 10.00am Sunday Masses, **YOU MUST PHONE IN ADVANCE** on **07340 169249** on a Thursday: 10.00am - 12.00 Noon, 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm, or on a Friday: 10.00am - 12.00 Noon and 2.00pm - 4.00pm. Thanks also to the parishioners who manage the bookings. If you come as a family, please make that known when you book. You will be asked for your contact details for 'Track and Trace' when you phone and when attending weekday Mass. You must not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid-19, or are feeling unwell.

You must wear a face covering in church. Please enter the church only through the Narthex and exit as directed by the stewards. The doors to the church must be open during Mass to ensure the circulation of fresh air as part of Covid-19 protection. Please take the bulletins away with you. Please place Gift Aid and cash donations in the baskets in the Narthex. For Holy Communion, everyone joins the procession with social distancing as directed by the stewards – even if you are not

receiving. Holy Communion is distributed only in the hand and in silence. When you have received the Sacred Host, please remove your face covering and consume it immediately – ***do not carry the Sacred Host back to your place.*** At the end of Mass, please leave the church immediately as directed by the stewards.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen. (Pope Francis)

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Terry Murphy formerly of Birkdale, Whitley Bay, who died on 15th September aged 88 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, at 1.00pm on 28th October, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. The funeral will be attended by family only, due to Covid-19 restrictions. May he rest in peace. Amen.

KEEP WARM

Government regulations insist that doors remain open during Mass to facilitate air flow and this will be the case for the foreseeable future. You are encouraged to dress to stay warm during Mass as the weather becomes colder and winter approaches.

FAMILY FAST DAY

This weekend is CAFOD Family Fast Day to help the poorest and most vulnerable in the world to survive, rebuild and heal. Envelopes are available at the back of Church and can be returned on your next visit.

PRISONERS' SUNDAY

October 11th is Prisoners' Sunday. Please remember them in your prayers.

READERS' ROTA FOR OCTOBER 2020

Day	Date	Name
Sat	10	Carolyn Duffy
Sun	11	Joe James
Sat	17	Derek Hooper
Sun	18	Martin Gannon
Sat	24	Gerry Rafferty
Sun	25	Peter Nesbitt
Sat	31	Máire Cross
Sun	01/11	Anne Wilson

Please note, if you would like to read during Mass contact Liz Louvre on [07411046075](tel:07411046075) and she'll put you on the Rota for November. Thank you.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2020

The children of our Parish have completed their preparation and will celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Masses will be held at St Edward's Church on Saturday 10th October at 10.00am and 12 Noon. Attendance is strictly limited to family groups/bubbles. Please keep the children in your prayers as they take this important step in their journey of faith. Thank you.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The coffee morning is always a big parish event and this year our coffee morning is going online! We will be having a virtual coffee morning on Zoom, which basically means you bring your own coffee, your own cake and then pay for the privilege! If you would like to join us online on Wednesday 14th October at 10.30am please ring me on 07984 963769 or email cmgunning99@hotmail.com and I will send you the link. Anyone can make a donation to Macmillan by typing the following in to the google task bar at the top of your screen thyg.uk/BUU004737790 and this should take you straight to the parish donation page. Unfortunately the spell check may change **thyg** to **thug** so please check. Joining the Zoom coffee morning is easier than you think so please consider it. Thank you, Chris Gunning.

SVP THANK YOU

Thank you so much for the sewing machines. Because of generous donations, we are now working towards the eventual purchase of a laptop for the sixth form student. If you can help, please ring Pat Shinn on 0191 2529915.

OTHER NOTICES

STAR OF THE SEA PRIMARY SCHOOL/BISHOP BEWICK ACADEMY TRUST

As part of the consultation for Star of the Sea Primary School to join the Bishop Bewick Academy Trust, Parishioners are invited to find out more information about this from the school website: <https://www.staroftheseaschool.co.uk/>. (A letter can be found under the title 'news').

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

On the 13th October 2020 there will be a 'Rosary Whirlwind' across the British Isles. This will involve people across the country praying the rosary at 8.00pm. To sign up a group from your parish to be placed on the virtual map, access the website: www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk.

On the 31st October 2020, the diocese will be taking part in a Rosary Rally, with different dioceses from across the country having a designated time slot to ensure the rosary is prayed continuously throughout the day from 9.00am to 9.00pm. For more information register at adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION ONLINE

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, and the recommendations that meeting with people outside of your household must be kept to a minimum, the Vicariate for Faith & Mission is seeking to establish catechist community networks to offer support in engaging with formation online. Several resources will become available for this over the coming months, and the vicariate is available for any questions that arise. It is hoped that we can journey alongside each other at this difficult time, sharing ideas and creating resources where there may be gaps. We would like to invite catechists to attend one of the online sessions at 7pm on Wednesday 21st October (Confirmations) and Thursday 22nd October (First Holy Communion). New and experienced catechists are all welcome to come, share and find out more about sacramental preparation online. To register to attend one of the meetings or for more information, please email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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Star of the Sea Primary School starofthesea.primary@ntl.org.uk (0191) 6432080

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 and you can telephone if you have an enquiry (number below).

Current Parish Office opening hours: Thursday 11.30am - 3.30pm, 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 4.00pm on Wednesday.

MASS INTENTIONS & OTHER SERVICES

DAY & DATE	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 10th October ST PAULINUS OF YORK	10.00am First Holy Communions 12.00pm First Holy Communions 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 11th October 28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.00am Margaret Reynolds (MR)
Monday 12th October ST WILFRED	
Tuesday 13th October	9.30am Peter Hughes (M & CMcA)
Wednesday 14th October	9.00am Ida Rose (Private Mass)
Thursday 15th October ST TERESA OF AVILA	9.30am Philip Rafferty (P & GR)
Friday 16th October	9.00am Miriam Devereux (RD) (Private Mass)
Saturday 17th October ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH	9.30am Michael Egan 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 18th October 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.00am Thanksgiving for the marriage of Malcolm and Liz (LL)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 17th October (during 9.30am Mass) (Father Andrew)	George Peter Gilby

Please remember in your prayers Nicola Burns, Marie Rooney, Mary Woodman, Julie Stobbs, Clifford Browne and Christopher Browne who are ill. Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Sarah Larkin, Maria Burnell, Alan Woodman, Helen Fenwick and Terry Murphy. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with
the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten
Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true
God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down
from heaven,
(At these words, all bow.)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on
the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

North Tyneside General Hospital & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Cramlington: Contact Deacon Stephen Boulter on 07768 387393.

RVI, Freeman and Walkergate Hospitals: Contact Fr Arockia Mariadass Pagyasamy OCD, at English Martyrs, Newcastle on 0191 2733903. **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. Deacons Terry McGann and Frank Forde, contact via the Parish Office: 0191 2527066.

READINGS AT MASS
28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 10TH & 11TH OCTOBER 2020

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

We say the Psalm together.

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| 1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. | 2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. |
| 3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. | 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. |

Second Reading

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.