#### TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

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

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# 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Year A - 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020

The Government have recently announced a new lockdown in England.
From Thursday 5 November until Wednesday 2 December, other than funeral services,
public acts of worship cannot be held in churches. Therefore, sadly there will be no services in
Our Lady & St Oswin's and St Mary's churches until after 2 December.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in November: Monica O'Neill, Fred Stimpson, Bob Devlin, Bernard Cass, David Boudge, Leo Smith and Bill Devlin.

**And for** Sheila Townsin who died recently. May she rest in peace.

**Anniversaries:** Agnes Cook, George Swales, Hugh Crowe, Tom McKenna, Iris Stott, Moyra Lee, James Stewart, Susannah Linney, Tessie Bendelow

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**New Cross in the Grounds at St Mary's:** If anyone would like to sponsor a figure for the new cross - please chat with Fr Martin.

Congratulations and Welcome to **Luca-Fabian Ghergut**who was baptised at St Oswin's on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>

November

Mary's Meals: The UK Government have promised from now until 31 January 2021, any donations made to Mary's Meals 'Double the Love' Project will be doubled. If you'd like to help, please visit their web page www.marysmeals.org.uk/donate. *Thank you.* 

New Lockdown for England: Sadly once again we are being restricted and are unable to take part in collective acts of worship. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank the 21 church volunteer stewards who have been working so hard to keep our churches safe and sanitised. At least they can have a well earned break.

During this time let us hold one another in prayer. Parishioners are invited to pray the rosary at 9.00am each Friday – remembering all those who are in need.

If anyone needs assistance during this time please feel free to contact the presbytery – as some parishioners are more than willing to offer help if needed.

Don't forget to visit the Diocesan website and partnership website for the latest updates and news.

Why not set up a monthly Standing Order to make your contribution towards the upkeep of the church? This would help keep our counting team safe. The information you need is as follows: The church account is with HSBC.

Name: DHN Tynemouth Our Lady & St Oswin

Account Number: 12011336 Sort code: 40-34-18

#### A Prayer to the Creator

Lord, Father of our human family, you created all human beings equal in dignity: pour forth into our hearts a fraternal spirit and inspire in us a dream of renewed encounter, dialogue, justice and peace. Move us to create healthier societies and a more dignified world, a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war.

May our hearts be open to all the peoples and nations of the earth. May we recognize the goodness and beauty that you have sown in each of us, and thus forge bonds of unity, common projects, and shared dreams. Amen. (Pope Francis – Fratelli Tutti)

### The Order of Mass can be found on Page 4 of your Hymn Book

First Reading Wisdom 6:12-16

This sings the praises of wisdom, which is found by all who seek it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 62

### Response: For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

- O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.
   My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.
- So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands.
   My soul shall be lifted as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.
- So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.
- On my bed I remember you.
   On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

#### **Second Reading**

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

St Paul consoles his listeners who are worried about those who have died before the return of the Lord.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia. Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:1-13

Faith is something we need to nurture ourselves, it is not something we can simply borrow.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsey and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, 'The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him'. At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, 'Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out'. But they replied, 'There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves'. They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. 'Lord, Lord' they said 'open the door for us'. But he replied, 'I tell you solemnly, I do not know you.' So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.

## **Question of the week**

We meet Christ sometimes when we least expect it. How can you be ready to see him in all the ways he is present?