

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

Parish of

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Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle – Reg Charity No: 1143450
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St Oswin's Meeting Room BookingsPartnership Web: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk
Diocesan Website: www.rcdhn.org.uk
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Sun	20 th	4 th Sunday of Advent	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	2 Sam 7: 1-16, Rom 16: 25-27 Luke 1: 26-38
			St M	11.00am	Duncan McLean (LouLaggan)	
Mon	21 st	Weekday of Advent	St M		No Public Service	
Tue	22 nd	Weekday of Advent	St O		No Public Service	
Wed	23 rd	Weekday of Advent	St O	10.00am	Dennis Dale (SD)	Malachi 3: 1-24, Luke 1:57-66

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Thu	24 th	Christmas Eve	St M	6.00pm	People of the Parish FULL	Is 9: 1-7, Titus 2: 11-14 Luke 2: 1-14
			St O	8.00pm	People of the Parish	
Fri	25 th	Christmas Day	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Is 52: 7-10, Heb 1: 1-16 John 1: 1-18
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	
Sat	26 th	St Stephen	St O		No Public Service	
Sun	27 th	The Holy Family	St O	9.30am	Maureen & David Cairns	Ecc 3: 2-14, Gen 15:1-6;21:1-3 Colossians 3: 12-21
			St M	11.00am	Norman Peffers	

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 December:** Katie Eckert, Helen Brunton, Olive Dargavel, Nuala Byron, Fred Stimpson, Bob Devlin, Bernard Cass, David Boudge, Leo Smith and Fr Bernard.**We also pray for Barnaby Essenhigh** who died recently.**Anniversaries:** Dennis Collins, Betty Young, Sandra Wood, William Tilley, May Cassidy.**Sea Sunday Collection:** As you leave church you can contribute towards the work of the Apostolship of the sea.**Christmas Masses:** Each Mass will last around 30 minutes and carols will be played in church from 15 min before. Due to limited space **we strongly recommend that you book to attend Mass** both for Christmas and for Sundays. To make sure of a place, please ring the dedicated phone line:**07543 768189 on Wednesday of this week
11am–1pm & 6pm–8pm.****One bubble only per booking please.** Those unable to gain a place at a Christmas Mass will be given priority for the Sunday Masses on the 27th Dec.**Christmas Collections** – money raised at Masses at Christmas will be donated to Homeless Charities.**Northern Catholic Calendars 2020** – are now on sale, as you leave Church, price **£3.00**.**Government regulations** are that those attending church **must wear a face covering**. (those under 11 years of age are exempt or if you have a genuine medical reason). **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.**St Cuthbert's care Advent Appeal:** If you would like to support their work, please visit www.rcdhn.org.uk. You will also find lots more information, including free **Resources for Advent**.**Mass Intentions:** As fewer public masses are being celebrated at the moment there is a backlog of mass intentions. These will be celebrated in due course. Thank you for your patience and understanding.**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**Prayer for the 4th Sunday of Advent***God-with-us, you made your home among us, loved by your mother Mary, and bringing her joy. As we prepare to recall and celebrate your birth, be with us now, especially with those who are seeking refuge. Comfort us all and bring us joy. AMEN.*

David wants to build a house for God. But instead God promises to build an everlasting dynasty for him.

Once David had settled into his house and the Lord had given him rest from all the enemies surrounding him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'Look, I am living in a house of cedar while the ark of God dwells in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go and do all that is in your mind, for the Lord is with you.' But that very night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: 'Go and tell my servant David, "Thus the Lord speaks: Are you the man to build me a house to dwell in? I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be leader of my people Israel; I have been with you on all your expeditions; I have cut off all your enemies before you. I will give you fame as great as the fame of the greatest on earth. I will provide a place for my people Israel; I will plant them there and they shall dwell in that place and never be disturbed again; nor shall the wicked continue to oppress them as they did, in the days when I appointed judges over my people Israel; I will give them rest from all their enemies. The Lord will make you great; the Lord will make you a House. And when your days are ended and you are laid to rest with your ancestors, I will preserve the offspring of your body after you and make his sovereignty secure. I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Your House and your sovereignty will always stand secure before me and your throne be established for ever."'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 88

Response: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.
2. 'I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn to David my servant:
I will establish your dynasty for ever
and set up your throne through all ages.'
3. He will say to me: 'You are my father,
my God, the rock who saves me.'
I will keep my love for him always;
for him my covenant shall endure.

Second Reading

Romans 16:25-27

God's plan of salvation for Jews and Gentiles has come to fulfilment in Christ.

Glory to him who is able to give you the strength to live according to the Good News I preach, and in which I proclaim Jesus Christ, the revelation of a mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now so clear that it must be broadcast to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith. This is only what scripture has predicted, and it is all part of the way the eternal God wants things to be. He alone is wisdom; give glory therefore to him through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the handmaid of the Lord: Let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:26-38

God's promise to David was fulfilled in Jesus.

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the House of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. He went in and said to her, 'Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you.' She was deeply disturbed by these words and asked herself what this greeting could mean, but the angel said to her, 'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David; he will rule over the House of Jacob for ever and his reign will have no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'But how can this come about, since I am a virgin?' 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you' the angel answered 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow. And so the child will be holy and will be called Son of God. Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son, and she whom people called barren is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible to God.' 'I am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary 'let what you have said be done to me.' And the angel left her.

Question of the week

How do you open your heart to what God wants for you? How do you follow the pathway to happiness?