

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, YEAR B, 27TH & 28TH MARCH 2021

The Cycle of Prayer

Lent

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

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers; Survivors of Sexual Abuse.**

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

On Passion Sunday we prepare to enter the sacred time of Holy Week, we look again at the significance of Christ in our lives. We recognise him as our saviour, but as we look more closely we discover what kind of saviour he is. We find that he has taken the form of a slave; he has been glorified with a name above all names; but he still continues to suffer with us. In a demonstration that is truly spontaneous, the people wave palms to salute him. Jesus does not wave back as dignitaries do because he knows that many of these same people will shortly turn on him. So with courage and confidence in God the Father, he moves on into the city. We all have a Jerusalem ahead of us. It might be an illness, a challenge, even waiting for lockdown to end. In all of these Jesus shows us how to move towards our Jerusalem. We take comfort that he has been there before us and was victorious.

Deacon Terry

HOLY WEEK 2021

This year Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum will be celebrated in open churches. However, Covid-19 restrictions will remain in place including the capacity of St Edward's at 60, the wearing of face coverings, social distancing, stewarding, hand cleansing and a one-way system for entry and exit.

I am grateful to parishioners who have discussed with me the best way to adjust our celebrations to comply with the current lock-down. The following timetable has been approved for this Holy Week.

Palm Sunday: 10.00am Mass with the Blessing and Distribution of Palms. Maundy Thursday: 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. Good Friday: 10.00am Stations of the Cross and 3.00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion. Holy Saturday: 7.30pm Easter Vigil. Easter Sunday: 10.00am Mass of Easter Day. Mgr Andrew.

Places during Holy Week must be reserved by phone on **07340 169249**. For Palm Sunday please call on 25 March between 10.00am - 12 Noon, 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm. For Maundy Thursday please call on 29 March between 10.00am - 12 Noon, 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm. For Good Friday please call on 30 March between 10.00am - 12 Noon, 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm. For the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday please call on 31 March between 10.00am - 12 Noon, 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 6.00pm - 8.00pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD ON-LINE

Children's Liturgy on Sunday 21st March was attended by 21 children. We continue to receive great feedback and we are looking forward to sharing the Gospel with the children again on Palm Sunday 28th March from 10:50 ready for an 11:00 start.

If you would like your child to join our future sessions, please contact us via email at 1holycommunionolss@gmail.com.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH THE JOURNEY OF FAITH GROUP

Each Tuesday in Lent the Journey of Faith meetings will start with two or three of the Stations of the Cross. Parishioners are welcome to join these. They will start at 7pm and last approximately 10 minutes. To join the meeting, click/use the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86874306623?pwd=dDRBWml6QzJjcWNvZIR2ZnFpV2dwdz09>

Should you need to log in, here are the details:
Meeting ID: 868 7430 6623 Passcode: 642187

AN INVITATION to Prayer Reflection Silence and stillness

Come meander, saunter, walk with us during Lent. A small group of parishioners are setting up a Zoom Meeting to be still, read, reflect and pray. The sessions will take place each Monday during Lent at 3.55pm for a prompt start at 4pm through to 5pm. If you are interested in joining us please send an email to ryan_blakey@hotmail.co.uk and an email with zoom meeting link will be forwarded to you. We look forward to hearing from you.

FOOD BANK

A huge thank you to everyone who has continued to donate to the food bank. Your efforts to come out in all weather really does make a difference. We continue to collect from Immaculate Heart Church every Monday from 10am to 12 Noon. This week we are looking for tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni, coffee, washing up liquid and Easter eggs. Thank you.

HOLY PLACES COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken on Sunday 28th March for the Catholic Community in the Holy Land.

FR. TOM CUNNINGHAM - ORDER OF SERVICE

There a number of Orders of Service and Memorial cards remaining from the celebration of his life this week. If you were unable to attend either service and would like to have one, they are available from Immaculate Heart Church between 10am and 12 Noon on Monday.

ACCESS TO ON-LINE BULLETIN

If you would like to see the bulletin on-line, it is uploaded to www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk every Thursday afternoon by 3pm. Alternatively please contact the Parish Office if you would like to have it emailed out to you.

LIVING FAITH BOOKLETS

These small booklets contain short meditations for each day of the year. You can pick one up from Immaculate Heart Church on Monday morning when the church is open for Food Bank donations.

SHARE AND PRAY

Alistair Hain would like to invite parishioners to a half hour session of sharing and prayer every Monday evening, 7pm to 7.30pm, on Zoom. Each week a piece of scripture is looked at and linked with a poem which is relevant and everyone can share how it links to faith and spirituality, This is finished with 15 minutes of meditative prayer based on the reading.

Details are: Meeting ID: 740 4052 1010, Passcode: 9V4XHY
Please email alistairhain@gmail.com if you have any questions.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

The Parish is very grateful for your generosity at this difficult time for everyone. Donations continue to be made by Standing Order, envelope and at weekend Masses (when the church is open). If you would like to contribute online or by standing order the Parish bank account details are: **Name:** Our Lady Star of the Sea **Bank:** HSBC
Sort Code: 40-34-45 **Account No.** 21157523

OTHER NOTICES

RESOURCES FOR THE SEASON OF LENT

With the changing COVID-19 landscape, the temptation may be not to plan too far ahead, but we know that we will eventually emerge from lockdown. The Vicariate for Faith & Mission has put together resources for Lent with

the help of volunteers. These include **Daily Reflections booklets** written by gifted writers from across the diocese, and **Daily Reflective videos** expertly produced by YMT. The resources are now available on the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk.

DIOCESAN SPIRITUAL SUPPORT

Resources have been created to support you and your loved ones in this unprecedented time of the COVID-19 pandemic. We offer these prayers in solidarity and we want you to know that the Church community is praying with you and you are not alone. The resources are available via a link (at the bottom of the front page) on the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk.

'Resources for times of grieving and death' includes; Prayers for loved ones we cannot visit in hospital, Prayers for someone who has recently died and Prayers for a loved one whose funeral you cannot attend.

'Prayers for the sick and dying' contains a collection of Catholic prayers to comfort you and your loved ones during difficult times of sickness and death. Mgr. Andrew Faley, Vicariate for Faith & Mission.

VICARIATE FOR FAITH & MISSION

On behalf of the Maryvale Institute, Faith & Mission would like to invite you to participate in the **Exploring the Directory for Catechesis Conference 2021**. For more info please visit: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/conference-2021.html> or contact marketing@maryvale.ac.uk. You can register for this conference at: <https://bit.ly/2Z2KqIX>
There is no cost to register and attend all sessions of the conference, although we would encourage delegates to consider a donation of £5 or £10 or more towards scholarships for those enrolling on Maryvale Institute's adult formation courses, to help support and train the catechists of the future.

LAUDATO SI' GARDENING GROUP

A small group has been established in the diocese to reflect on Pope Francis's encyclical Laudato Si' and consider practical ways in which we can use our land assets for the common good. The group is meeting monthly (via zoom at the moment) and sharing ideas and plans on how we can use our home and Church gardens to help restore nature by encouraging wildlife and improving biodiversity. As spring arrives we hope to be able to start working in our gardens and possibly visit Minsteracres when lockdown is lifted. More information from Clare Myers at clare.myersmyers@btinternet.com

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley (St. Edward)	stedwardsne26@btconnect.com	(0191) 2528021
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. Telephone the number below if you have an enquiry.

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.

MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 27th March	9.30am In Thanksgiving for Ida Rose (JF) (Private Mass) 4.00pm Holy Hour
Sunday 28th March PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 29th March	
Tuesday 30th March	9.30am Private Intention (Private Mass) 4.00pm Holy Hour
Wednesday 31st March	9.30am Mary Nesbit (AB) (Private Mass) 4.00pm Holy Hour
Thursday 1st April HOLY THURSDAY	7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Nancy & Robert Tulip (JT)
Friday 2nd April GOOD FRIDAY	10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 3rd April HOLY SATURDAY	7.30pm Easter Vigil Fr. Tom Cunningham (JT)
Sunday 4th April EASTER SUNDAY	10.00am Mass of Easter Day People of the Parish
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 10th April (During Mass) (Father Andrew)	Reya Robin Whillis
Sunday 11th April 12 Noon (Deacon Terry)	Austin David Trebble

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our lord,
*at the words that follow, up to and including the
Virgin Mary, all bow.*
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.
Amen

Please remember in your prayers:

Nicola Burns, Marie Rooney, Mary Woodman, Julie Stobbs, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, David Johnson and Ann Stroud who are ill. Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Kathleen Bennett, Mary Nesbit, Fr Tom Cunningham, Fr Ronnie Richmond, Fr Wilfred Elkin and Tom Clapperton. May they rest in peace. Amen.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

North Tyneside General Hospital & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Cramlington: Contact Deacon Stephen Boulter on 07768 387393 or Fr Paul Jenkins, OCarm on 01670 712476.

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. Deacon Terry McGann -contact via the Parish Office: 0191 2527066.

READINGS AT MASS
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Opening Gospel

Mark 11:1-10

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If any one says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately."' And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it. And those who stood there said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus, and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'

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

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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| 1. All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' | 2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet
I can count every one of my bones. |
| 3. They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! | 4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons. |

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel

Mark 15:1-39

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Memorial Acclamation

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