

MASS READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)

FIRST READING

United, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 117

1.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.'
2.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.
3.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

SECOND READING

Anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world.

John 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Eight days later, Jesus came.

John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.


The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.

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10 th /11 th April 2021 – Easter Sunday			
Masses, Devotions and Services			
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 10 th April	Attendance by prior booking		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking
Sunday 11 th April 2 nd Sunday of Easter		11:00am: Mass: Lillian & Luther Shotton Attendance by prior booking Live streamed	
Monday 12 th April		No Mass	
Tuesday 13 th April			9:30am: Mass: With congregation
Wednesday 14 th April		9:30am: Mass: Neil Melvin With congregation	
Thursday 15 th April			9:30am: Mass: No congregation – Live Streamed
Friday 16 th April			7:00pm: Mass: With congregation
Saturday 17 th April			5:30pm: Mass: Margaret & David Howells Attendance by prior booking
Sunday 18 th April 3 rd Sunday of Easter		11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking Live streamed	

Telephone booking system for Masses at St Cuthbert's Mass Booking line: 07506 176996 at the following times	
Tuesday	11am-1pm & 6pm-8pm
Wednesday	11am-1pm
Thursday	11am-1pm
Friday	11am-1pm

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

What'sApp group: text your name and number to 07752009361 to be added to StCuthStJosNshields Group

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

Website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

Parish office: 0191 257 3408

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Prayer List

During Lent we pray for all victims of the Covid Pandemic; Candidates for Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers and Survivors of Sexual Abuse We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Father Richard Harriott, Gary James, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Barbara & Tony Hicks 'Baby Stevie Dawn Roadment', Jim Campbell, Marilyn Redpath, Jim Burfield and Richard Sutherland. Please pray for those who have died recently.

Holy Week and Easter

Thank-you to all who all who contributed in anyway in Holy Week. Your commitment and service is much appreciated. I am also grateful to all the personal support shown while my mum has been in hospital. She is making progress as the family explores what is the best care for her. Thanks also for cards and gifts. The feedback from the services has been very positive. Thanks to all for adapting to the amended Liturgies. Despite the curtailments, the Triduum Services were still able to speak to us in a powerful way. Certainly for this year, 'less was more'.

Parish Council

There will be a meeting of the Parish Council on Saturday 17th April at 10.00am via zoom. We do have five vacancies on the Council, so any nominations would be welcomed.

Retiring Collection

We should have had a Retiring Collection for the Holy Place on Palm Sunday. It will take place this weekend,

Easter 2021

It is hard to imagine how those women felt as they gathered in the early dawn with their herbs to place in the tomb. The bewildering violence, mob rule, and betrayal by most of disciples of the last 72 hours must have made them numb. There was also the hopes and dreams that seemed to be coming into reality through this man. They may have thought, could he have prevented this happening? With all this swirl of emotions, there is added shock of an empty grave. As if nothing else could happen, they have some vision to say that Christ has risen, and they are to tell the disciples. I wonder how they made sense of all this. I guess they did not, I sense it was time that helped. What matters is that in all that was happening, these women were faithful in love. They did what they needed to do and played their role while God's plan of salvation was revealed.

I am sure the last 12 months we have had a myriad of emotions and feelings. Hard to make sense at times, but we are called to be faithful and to trust. Grace and love are ultimately stronger than sin and death. This what we celebrate. Our faith may seem like the weak fragility of dawn light, as in significant as the women who were not believed at first. But this message of the Risen lord was proclaimed and still lives on. As restrictions hopefully ease and vaccinations across the world take place, may fragile hope become the reality of glorious joy and new life.

May Easter give us all the hope, love and joy that I am sure we all need.

Thanks for cards and gifts. Your support and prayers while my mother has been in hospital this week is much appreciated.

Wishing you and all those you love, the grace, peace, love, joy and hope of Easter,

Fr Chris

The Partnership Youth Group

We would like to Invite you to a half hour session of sharing and prayer every Monday on Zoom. Each week we look at a bit of scripture and usually link this with a poem which is relevant and which we chat about, sharing how we see it link to our faith and spirituality. We finish with 15 minutes of meditative prayer based on the readings and what we have shared. The details of our zoom meeting are: - Every Monday 7pm -7.30pm

Meeting ID: 740 4052 1010 Passcode: 9V4XHY

All are very welcome.

Please email me at alistairhain@gmail.com if you have any questions. Thank you.

Genocide of the Uyghur Muslim Community

There is extensive evidence that many women in the Uyghur Muslim community in Xinjiang, China are being subjected to genocide including forced abortions.

Lord Alton is currently championing a new amendment to the Trade Bill, to help put international pressure on the Chinese Communist Party to stop these horrendous human rights abuses that evidence shows is being perpetuated against the Uyghur community. The amendment passed in the Lords on 23rd February by 367 votes to 214, and is likely to be voted on in the Commons shortly.

If you would like to email your MP asking them to support the amendment, you can do this easily using a tool which has been set up on the Genocide Response campaign website, which can be accessed by visiting the link below:

<https://genocideresponse.org/>

Rosary group

"When two or three are gathered in my name..." All welcome to join a small group of parishioners praying the Rosary each week over Zoom.

Day: Thursday - Time: 2pm to 2:40pm.

During this year of St Joseph the group is sharing on the document issued by Pope Francis. Link to Pope Francis document: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TzU-K_PrL7s For more information, please contact via the Parish WhatsApp Group.

Diocesan Refugee Project

This project re-opened on December 9th. It will be re-opening in new premises at St Vincent's, New Bridge Street, Newcastle. If you have any donations for the Refugee Project please leave at the back of St Joseph's or St Cuthbert's

Financial contributions are also very welcome too: Cheques to DH&N DESTITUTE ASYLUM FUND. Address: Refugee Project, 2 Summerhill Grove, Newcastle NE4 6EE. Bank transfers – HSBC Sort code: 40-34-18 Account number: 52854058.

Financial Offerings

I am very grateful to parishioners who have either posted envelopes or offerings through the door. I am also aware that many of you are now making your contributions through standing orders and/or bacs transfer. Your continued support is much appreciated at a time when many are facing financial difficulties. A big thank-you.

If you would like to set up a standing order or make a transfer please see the details below.

Name: DHN North Shields St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC

Sort code 40-34-45, account number 91146513

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic – Church Response:

Do you need to speak to someone for support?:

For those who are seeking a Priest with whom they can speak at this time, could you please contact the Parish Priest at your local Church. For this parish it is 0191 2575801.

Dedicated counsellors and listeners are also available at the Cathedral Listening Service on 0191 232 6953 and on the Northumberland Listening Service on 07732 980740.

Cor et Lumen Community

The Prophecy School and Miracle Healing Service Online with Damian Stayne, 16-17 April 2021.

For more information and booking, please go to www.coretlumenchristi.org or email stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org

The Catholic Universe and Catholic Times Newspaper

If you are unable to collect your paper at Mass you can now get it delivered direct to your home every week POST FREE (IT'S QUICK AND IT'S SIMPLE) just go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call us on 0161 820 5722 and we will arrange delivery for you.

Special Offer	3 Months: -	£25.00
Special Offer	12 Months: -	£99.00
Digital Copy	12 Months:	£55.00
Or		
Digital Copy/And Hard Copy For		£115.00
(Easter Special Offer)		

All papers are Covid safe and packed in a sterile component. If, however you feel that you might like to start taking the newspapers in the Parish again or just want to talk the propositions over with us then by all means just email or call.

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There are two U Tube links to look at. Happy Easter!



Trinity Charity Shop

As with other non-essential shop opening on April 12th, the Trinity Charity Shop is re-opening. The parish runs the shop on a Thursday. More volunteers are needed. If you have a couple of spare hours on a Thursday, please contact me on 011 2575 801 or at : northshields.stjoseph@rcdhn.org.uk

Tyne and Wear Citizens Parish Membership

I will be saying more about this next week but for people who are interested or least curious about what Community Organising could mean for the parish here are some dates for the diary

If you would like to learn more about how Community Organising is relevant to the Christian Faith, there is an Ecumenical Even on line where Bishop Robert and the Anglican Bishop of Durham will be present. There might be another face you recognise as well. This is 6.30pm on 5th May. You sign by Eventbrite. Please google <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/community-organising-in-the-north-east-an-ecumenical-conversation> to obtain the link to sign up.

On May 15th from 9.30 -12.00 via zoom there will be a parish event where I share more about Community Organising and we will discuss what the parish seeks to get out of being a member of Tyne and Wear Citizens. The link shall be given later

There is also training available online. This is available to anyone in the parish On the evenings of 11th, 18th, & 25th May 5-7.30pm Online via Zoom This introductory training aims to equip individuals to help lead community organising in their institutions. The training will cover all essential aspects of the curriculum for community organising, including: Listening, Issues ,Research , Action Negotiation Evaluation To Book your place please contact Sara Bryson, Senior Community Organiser Sara.Bryson@citizensuk.org

I am happy to discuss with anyone who is at least curious as to what Community Organising is and what it means for the parish