

MASS READINGS

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)

FIRST READING

You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

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| <p>1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you release me, have mercy on me and hear me!</p> <p>3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.</p> | <p>2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him.</p> <p>4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.</p> |
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Psalm 4

SECOND READING

He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

John 2:1-5

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when he himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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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17th/18th April 2021 – 3rd Sunday of Easter (B)

Masses, Devotions and Services

St Cuthbert's Church

St Joseph's Church

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Saturday 17th April	Attendance by prior booking		5:30pm: Mass: Margaret & David Howells Attendance by prior booking
Sunday 18th April 3rd Sunday of Easter - B		11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking Live streamed	
Monday 19th April		No Mass	
Tuesday 20th April			9:30am: Mass: Private Intention (JM) With congregation
Wednesday 21st April St Anselm		9:30am: Mass: Neil Melvin With congregation	
Thursday 22nd April			9:30am: Mass: No congregation – Live Streamed
Friday 23rd April St George			7:00pm: Mass: Olive Wells With congregation
Saturday 24th April			5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking
Sunday 25th April 4th Sunday of Easter - B		11:00am: Mass: Private Intention 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

WhatsApp 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

Prayer List

During Easter we pray for all victims of the Covid Pandemic; New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

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 H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh, Canon Michael McCoy and all those who have died recently.

Mass for Marriage and Family

Bishop Robert has kindly agreed to preside at a Celebration of Marriage and Family Life Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 22nd May 2021 at 12:00 which will be both an open Mass and live streamed.

Due to the limited capacity and in keeping with the current COVID restrictions, anyone wishing to attend the Mass MUST BOOK in advance by contacting the Cathedral office on 0191 232 6953 or emailing office@stmaryscathedral.org.uk . Anyone celebrating a significant anniversary should also provide the details of this at the time of booking and a certificate of celebration will be offered.

Tyne and Wear Citizens Parish Membership

As of April 1st the parish became a member for one year of Tyne and Wear Citizens. Tyne and Wear Citizens is part of Citizens UK which is a Broad-Based Community Organising charity.

Community Organising is a methodology that seeks to do bring about three goals:

- Change Society for the Better
- To develop Institutions as part of Civic Society so that Civic Society is stronger
- To develop the skills and confidence of individuals within those institutions

All these aims are totally compatible with the life and the mission of the parish.

The Covid crisis has made a big impact on society, the Church at national and local level. The extent of the impact is still to be assessed and will take years to live through, but we can as parish be passive or take action that will develop the parish and improve the society around us. It is for this reason why I totally support the decision of the parish council to become a member of Tyne and Wear Citizens. Below are details various events that will give more information as to what Community Organising is and the work of Tyne and Wear Citizens. The best way to learn is take part in the online training in May, details below. One parishioner has already signed up so you would not be on your own.

Community Organising and Prayer

I am also aware that as we engage with other groups in Civic Society, it is important that all that we do is rooted in our relationship with God. It is crucial that we are inspired by Gospel Values. That is why I would like to have 'Praying Citizens' in the parish. I appreciate for some, that due to health reason, shielding or shortage of time, being involved with training and campaigns, will not be possible. However, if you are willing to make a commitment in prayer, that will be very important to ensure that in all our work with Tyne and Wear Citizens, is flowing out of the dynamic interactive love and action of the Trinity.

Learning more about Community Organising

If you would like to learn more about how Community Organising is relevant to the Christian Faith, there is an Ecumenical Even online 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.

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 contact Nesta Massiwah at: nehmasiwa@yahoo.com or Ruth Corless on +44 7752 009361.

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/>

Volunteering at the Justice and Peace Refugee Project

As lockdown eases and we are able to open the Justice and Peace Refugee Project more fully, we need to recruit more people to join our existing committed team of volunteers. We are now based at St Vincent's, the SVP Support Centre (formerly Blackfriars), Newbridge Street, Newcastle and are open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10.30 to 2pm. We need people to meet and greet our project users, help with food and clothing distribution, serve teas and coffees and generally be a welcoming presence. You do not need experience or specific knowledge about the asylum system, just a willingness to be a friendly welcoming presence in the lives of people who are seeking asylum in this country. This is such vital service, especially when so many of our project users are having to endure the impact of the increasingly hostile environment directed towards those seeking asylum. We are especially interested to hear from people who could join our teams on Wednesdays and Fridays.

If you would like to know more, please contact Sara, our project co-ordinator, at sara.harris@diocesehn.org.uk to arrange an informal discussion. This is a real opportunity to put our faith into action.

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.

QR Code

There are this weeks QR Code

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HhdjC_ngh7w Taking a break from Social media

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9pSld39rS2A&t=335s>

How Christians deal with mean people



Trinity Charity Shop

As with other non-essential shop opening on April 12th, the Trinity Charity Shop re-opened. 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