

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B, 24TH & 25TH APRIL 2021

The Cycle of Prayer

Eastertide

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

During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: **New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.**

SUNDAY READINGS REFLECTION

Peter carries out miracles, as Jesus did, and these are done in his name. We do not mean a "name" as the word is used today. By speaking in his name it represents the whole of Jesus' being, his nature, his personality and the power of the spirit which enabled him to speak and lead. How can we carry on the life of Christ more faithfully? The motivation comes from the first letter of John where it says that the basis of all Christian activity is the awareness that we have been raised to the sonship of God and are co-heirs with Jesus. On this Good Shepherd Sunday, it would be a mistake to act like sheep and run off in all directions every time we get into difficulties. We have a close relationship with the Father just as Jesus had. He loves us as the shepherd of our souls and continues to give us his whole hearted support in all that we do.

Deacon Terry

HOLY COMMUNION – SOCIAL DISTANCING

In line with diocesan and government guidelines, everyone is required to leave their place at Holy Communion and join the socially distanced procession when invited by the stewards. If you have mobility problems, please make this known when booking your place and the stewards will sit you near the front of the church.

FOOD BANK

Many food bank users have access only to a microwave and a kettle, so microwavable food and even things like pot noodles are very welcome. They often have very few utensils so ring pull cans of meat and fish are easier than cans which need a tin opener. This week we are collecting tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew, tinned or packet potatoes, biscuits, long life milk. (We can all be very proud of the efforts which our parish go to in order to help the food bank and they are always grateful for any donations). Thank 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.

RED BOX COLLECTION

In 2020 £1,804.42 was collected from the generous parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea via donations from the red box collection. The Mill Hill Missionaries send their grateful thanks in what has been a difficult time for all due to Covid19. If you hold a red box and you would like it to be emptied please contact Liz Hickey on 0191 2525989 or Mary Nugent on 0191 2533815). Many thanks, Liz Hickey.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Talbot of 21, Ridley Gardens, Shiremoor, who died on 16 April aged 67 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, at 10.00am on 28 April, followed by cremation at Tynemouth Crematorium. Attendance is limited due to Covid-19 restrictions. May she rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

Places for next weekend's Masses must be reserved by telephoning **07340 169249**. Please call on Thursday only at 10.00am - 12.00 Noon or 6.00pm - 8.00pm. Many thanks.

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

READER'S ROTA - MAY 2021

DAY	DATE	TIME	READER
Saturday	1 May	6pm	Derek Hooper
Sunday	2 May	10am	Christine McGann
Saturday	8 May	6pm	Liz Louvre
Sunday	9 May	10am	Deidre James
Saturday	15 May	6pm	Joe James
Sunday	16 May	10am	Ryan Blakey
Saturday	22 May	6pm	Pauline Keavey
Sunday	23 May	10am	
Saturday	29 May	6pm	Carolyn Duffy
Sunday	30 May	10am	Gerry Rafferty

Readers, please note that you must reserve a place for the Mass you are reading at by telephoning **07340 169249**. Please call on a Thursday only between 10.00am - 12 Noon or 6.00pm - 8.00pm. If you would like to be added to the Rota please contact me, Liz Louvre, 07411046075, to give me your details and which Mass you would like to read at.

IMMACULATE HEART MISSION BOXES

If you would like your box emptied, and if you are able, please leave it in the Narthex of Immaculate Heart Church on Monday morning between 10am and Mid-day, or ring 0191 2529569 for collection. Many thanks.

ACCESS TO ON-LINE BULLETIN

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

OTHER NOTICES

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 on the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley (St. Edward) stedwardsne26@btconnect.com (0191) 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School starofthesea.primary@ntlp.org.uk (0191) 6432080

Cluster Website www.northyntesidecatholic.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.

'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.

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

WHITLEY BAY STREET PASTORS ARE RECRUITING TRAINING STARTED ON 24TH APRIL

If you are a Christian and feel called to the Street Pastor Ministry we are now recruiting for Street Pastors to patrol in Whitley Bay & Tynemouth.

- Core Patrols are Saturday nights, 10.00pm to 3.00am in Whitley Bay & Tynemouth.
- One patrol per month (approx. 7 hours per month) is the requirement.

Training has already started but it's not too late. For an application form and more information contact: Chris Lincoln – 07549 015896 or Email whitleybay@streetpastors.org.uk

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 24th April	9.30am Brian Smith & Family 6pm Tom Clapperton (L & BH)
Sunday 25th April 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 26th April	
Tuesday 27th April	9.30am Tom Clapperton (LL)
Wednesday 28th April	IMMACULATE HEART 10.00am Requiem Mass Maureen Talbot
Thursday 29th April ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA, PATRON OF EUROPE	9.30am Terry & Margaret Murphy (TM)
Friday 30th April	9.30am (Private Mass) Julie Murphy (MC)
Saturday 1st May	9.30am Jim Jack (FJ) 6pm Tom Clapperton (P & GR)
Sunday 2nd May 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10.00am People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers:

Nicola Burns, Marie Rooney, Mary Woodman, Julie Stobbs, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, David Johnson, Ann Stroud, Kathryn Newton-Henderson and Agnes Conway who are ill. Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially Tom Clapperton, Anne Allen, Edith Hodson, Canon Michael McCoy and Maureen Talbot. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten
Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true
God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down
from heaven,
(At these words, all bow)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on
the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. 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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First Reading

Acts 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

Response: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

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| <p>1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men;
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.</p> <p>3. Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
You are my God, I thank you.
My God, I praise you.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end.</p> | <p>2. I will thank you for you have answered
and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.</p> |
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Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 10:11-18

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. 'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. 'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

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

Memorial Acclamation

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