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7th Sunday of Easter Year B – 16th May 2021

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	16th	7th Sunday of Easter	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Acts 1: 15-26, 1 John 4: 11-16 John 17: 11-19</i>
			St M	11.00am	Peter Headley (CT)	
Mon	17 th	Weekday of Easter			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Tue	18 th	Weekday of Easter			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Wed	19 th	Weekday of Easter	St O	10.00am	Mick Hetherington (Wanda)	<i>Acts 20: 28-38, John 17: 11-19</i>
Thu	20 th	Weekday of Easter	St M	10.00am	Margaret Didsbury (GK)	<i>Acts 22: 30; 23: 6-11, John 17: 20-26</i>
Fri	21 st	Weekday of Easter			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Sat	22 nd	Weekday of Easter			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Sun	23rd	Pentecost Sunday	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Acts 2: 1-11, 1 Cor 12 3-13 John 20: 19-23</i>
			St M	11.00am	Teresa & Geoff Rodgers	
<p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Available on request (For the time being the Blessed Sacrament Chapel remains Closed)</p>						

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in May: Joe O'Kane, Margaret Didsbury, Elizabeth Wallington, Walter Hibbert, Irene Keenaghan, Bob Devlin, David T, Katie Eckert, David Boudge.

And for **Edith Robinson** who died recently. May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Joseph Cassidy, June Nugent, George Castro, Tony Dargavel, John Jordan, Edna Freeman.

World Communications Day: You can contribute to this collection as you leave church today.

We Remember to Pray for those children in school Year 4 who, in the coming weeks will receive Holy Communion for the first time. They are being prepared for this by their parents who have been following the 'I belong' book with them at home.

A Pentecost Novena on the Care of Creation entitled **The River Does Not Divide Us** is available. Google 'Pentecost Novena Care of Creation' to find out more about this inspiring resource.

Prayer for World Communications Day

Lord, teach us to move beyond ourselves, and to set out in search of truth. Teach us to go out and see, teach us to listen, not to entertain prejudices or draw hasty conclusions. Teach us to go where no one else will go, to take the time needed to understand, to pay attention to the essentials, not to be distracted by the superfluous, to distinguish deceptive appearances from the truth. Grant us the grace to recognize your dwelling places in our world and the honesty needed to tell others what we have seen. Amen

Catholic churches in England are open for communal worship provided the necessary steps are taken to keep people safe. **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 a Sunday Mass.

Due to limited space **we strongly recommend that you book to attend Mass** for Sundays. To book please ring the dedicated phone line:

**07543 768189 on Thursdays
11am–1pm & 6pm–8pm.**

If you have to cancel your booking for any reason, please ring Presbytery and leave a message.

Why not set up a monthly Standing Order to make your contribution towards the upkeep of the church? 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

Access to the Weekly Newsletter online: You can view and download this newsletter each week from the partnership website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk. It is posted around 12noon each Friday. Why not also prepare for Sunday by looking at the readings too, printed on the back of the newsletter?

Parish Rosary in May – parishioners are invited to pray the rosary at home each Friday in May at 9.00am for the end of the pandemic.

First Reading

Acts 1: 15-17.20-26

We hear how Matthias was chosen to fill the gap left by Judas.

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: ‘Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. In the book of Psalms it says: ‘Let someone else take his office’. We must, therefore, choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling around with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection’. Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, ‘Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us, therefore, which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry, and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place’. They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 102

Response: The Lord has set his sway in heaven

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord;
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.
2. For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
3. The Lord has set his sway in heaven
and his kingdom is ruling over all.
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,
Mighty in power, fulfilling his word.

Second Reading

1 John 4:11-16

Since God has loved us, we too must love one another.

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God’s love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. I will not leave you orphans, says the lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

John 17:11-19

Here Jesus prays for his present and future disciples who will continue his work and mission.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: ‘Holy Father, keep those you have given to me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth’.

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

Who needs you to pray for them this week, as Jesus prayed for his disciples?