

**11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR B, 12TH & 13TH JUNE 2021**

The Year of St Joseph, Father of the Church.

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

During Ordinary Time (Summer) we are asked to pray for these intentions: **A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who Suffer Persecution; Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.**

**SUNDAY REFLECTION**

In the second reading, it explains that we travel through life 'by faith and not by sight', we cannot see Jesus, but we know him, we trust him and have confidence in him. Faith is like a journey, every day we move on a little further until we reach our destination. Just like the cedar shoot the Lord takes from the highest branch, our faith starts off relatively small and grows over time so that it becomes a large tree. By the gradual understanding of our faith and its traditions, by our growing thoughts and prayers, we get stronger in our love of its practice. This mystery takes time, like the cedar and the mustard seeds, they grow over a long period. The harvest – the advancement of God's Kingdom, cannot be rushed by restless actions, but will come to completion at God's appointed time. After all, it is his kingdom not ours.

**Deacon Terry**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021**

Our parish children will resume their preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Monkseaton on Monday 14th June at 5.00pm, with a final session on 21st June. There is to be a meeting with parents on Wednesday 23rd June at 7:00 pm, either on Zoom or in person at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, depending on any relaxing of Covid restrictions. The First Holy Communion Masses, to be attended by the children and their families only, will take place over two Saturdays at 10:00 am and 12 noon, please note there will be **NO SATURDAY 9:30 MASS on 26th June and 3rd July**. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers. If anyone has any queries, please get in touch with us via [1holychommunionolss@gmail.com](mailto:1holychommunionolss@gmail.com).

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

- ◆ Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Margaret Maguire of Otterburn Avenue, Wellfield, who died on 31 May aged 82 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, at 2.00pm on 15 June, followed by committal at Tynemouth Crematorium. Attendance is limited to 50 due to Covid restrictions. May she rest in peace. Amen.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

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

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE - ST EDWARD'S CHURCH**

If anyone wishes to have a name placed in the Book of Remembrance, please fill in a form next to the book in the blue box and it will be added in due course.

**SHARE AND PRAY**

Alistair Hain invites parishioners to a half hour 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 relevant poem. 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](mailto:alistairhain@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**FOOD BANK**

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is open once again on Monday from 10am - 12 Mid-day for Food Bank donations. Microwave rice pouches, savoury snacks/crisps etc., tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni and washing up liquid would be very well received this week Thank you.

**PARISH WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will be on Tuesday 15th June when Peter Weighill will lead a 6 mile walk in the Rising Sun Country Park and around Battle Hill. Please meet at the west end of Asda car park, Old Whitley Road, Benton at 10am. If you require more information please contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

**MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS**

Congratulations to Jonathan Pickard & Emma McDonald who will be married at St Edward's Church on 19th June.

**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. 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 - JUNE 2021

DAY	DATE	TIME	READER
Saturday	12 June	18:00	Joe James
Sunday	13 June	10:00	Helen Jobe
Saturday	19 June	18:00	Maire Cross
Sunday	20 June	10:00	Peter Nesbitt
Saturday	26 June	18:00	Joan Tulip
Sunday	27 June	10:00	Michael Thompson

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 Liz Louvre, 07411046075, to give 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.

### ST EDWARD'S DRIVE

Could you spare an hour next Wednesday 16th at 10 am to tidy up the drive? Please bring any tools you think you may require. For further details please contact Anne Wilson on 0191 2525850.

### OTHER NOTICES

#### MINSTERACRES RETREAT CENTRE - VOLUNTEERS

##### WANTED!

Minsteracres is set in 110 acres of beautiful woodland and parkland which offers peaceful surroundings and a place to recharge batteries for those who most need our support after such challenging times. **We're re-opening and we're raring to go!** If you would like to share your skills or learn new ones, meet new people or simply help us provide our unique service please check us out at [www.minsteracres.org](http://www.minsteracres.org) or email: [info@minsteracres.org](mailto:info@minsteracres.org) for more information

#### 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](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk).

#### WHITLEY BAY STREET PASTORS - Fantastic news, well done!

**Whitley Bay Street Pastors** have been awarded the **Queens Award for Voluntary Service**. That's the MBE for volunteer groups! Since WBSP was formed in 2011 many Christians from different traditions and church backgrounds have walked the streets, in all weathers, often until the early hours, serving our local community. Supported by Prayer Pastors, they have chatted to over 91,000 people and helped more than 7,300 who were vulnerable. Susan Winfield, Lord-Lieutenant of Tyne and Wear said *"Whitley Bay Street Pastors are an outstanding group of volunteers providing support to vulnerable people at weekends as well as the homeless in winter."* Congratulations to Chris Lincoln and the team, and to all those who have been part of Whitley Bay Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors since 2011.

#### LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR – URGENT APPEAL

The Little Sisters of the Poor have launched a vital fundraising appeal, in response to the increasing pressures faced by St. Joseph's Care Home during the current COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic. The Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Joseph's Home in Newcastle are finding the current economic climate increasingly more demanding. The emergency lockdown measures we implemented to aid efforts to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and keep our residents safe has had a massive impact on our fundraising activities and the charitable donations we rely on to meet the daily running costs of the Home.

We are appealing for urgent donations to help us continue with our work of caring for the Elderly and to enable us to carry out essential fire prevention upgrades to our Home. In these uncertain times, small acts of kindness can make a huge difference in helping our Home.

##### Make a Donation

Cheques made payable to '**Little Sisters of the Poor**' can be sent to: St. Joseph's Home, Westmoreland Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7QA. Alternatively, visit <https://www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/> to make a donation. We ask God to bless and reward you and your families for your continued support.

#### Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley (St. Edward)	<a href="mailto:stedwardsne26@btconnect.com">stedwardsne26@btconnect.com</a>	(0191) 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	<a href="mailto:starofthesea.primary@ntlp.org.uk">starofthesea.primary@ntlp.org.uk</a>	(0191) 6432080

**Cluster Website** [www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk](http://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](mailto: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 12th June <b>THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b>	9.30am Mary & Jack Wardlaw (AF) 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 13th June <b>11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10.00am The Recently Deceased
Monday 14th June	
Tuesday 15th June	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 2pm Requiem Mass Patricia Maguire
Wednesday 16th June <b>ST RICHARD OF CHICHESTER</b>	9.30am (Private Mass) Michael Hetherington (B & CH)
Thursday 17th June	9.30am Agnes Conway (JH)
Friday 18th June	9.30am (Private Mass) Deceased Members of the Catholic Club
Saturday 19th June	9.30am Fr. Alan McKnight (LBD) 12 Noon Wedding: Jonathan Pickard & Emma McDonald 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 20th June <b>12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10.00am A Sick Daughter (LH)
BAPTISM	CHURCH
Sunday 20th June 12 Noon (Deacon Terry)	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> Charlotte Louise Kenny
Sunday 27th June 12 Noon (Deacon Terry)	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> Elena Nora MacCabe Cando
<b>Please remember in your prayers:</b> Nicola Burns, Mary Woodman, Julie Stobbs, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, David Johnson, Kathryn Newton-Henderson, Ann Stroud and Eileen Scott who are ill. Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially, Margaret Jones, Jim Pratt, Fr. Matthew Choondiyaniackal and Pat Maguire. May they rest in peace. Amen.	

**G**lory 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

Canon 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**

**Ezekiel 17:22-24**

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 91(92):2-3,13-16**

***Response:** It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night.
2. The just will flourish like the palm tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.
3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

**Second Reading**

**2 Corinthians 5:6-10**

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Mark 4:26-34**

Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.' Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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.