

MASS READINGS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

FIRST READING

The remnant of my flock I will gather and I will raise up shepherds to look after them.

Jeremiah 23:1-6

‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! ‘See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.’

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Psalm 22

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| <p>1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.</p> | <p>2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.</p> |
| <p>3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.</p> | <p>4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.</p> |

SECOND READING

Christ Jesus is the peace between us, and has made the two into one.

Ephesians 2:13-18

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

They were like sheep without a shepherd.

Mark 6:30-34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, ‘You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while’; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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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17 th /18 th July 2021 – 16 th Sunday of the Year (B)			
		Masses, Devotions and Services	
		St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 17th July	Attendance by prior booking		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish Attendance by prior booking
Sunday 18th July 16th Sunday of the Year - B		11:00am: Mass: John Ray Attendance by prior booking Live streamed	
Monday 19th July			
Tuesday 20th July			9:30am: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey
Wednesday 21st July		9:30am: Mass: Kerry O'Neill	
Thursday 22nd July			No Mass:
Friday 23rd July			7:00pm: Mass:
Saturday 24th July			5:30pm: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey
Sunday 25th July 17th Sunday of the Year - B		11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish	

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

Prayer List

During Ordinary time until the end of August we pray for all victims of the Covid Pandemic; a deeper understanding between Jews and Christians; those who suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe, That the dignity of human life is upheld; and Seafarers.

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, Richard Sutherland, Pauline Kelso and Irene Keenaghan.

Please pray for Joan King and all who have died recently.

Ordinary Time

For the 16th Sunday in year B, we hear Jesus responding with compassion to the crowds searching for him, who appeared to be like 'sheep without a shepherd'.

Parish Life Post Restrictions

Having consulted my partnership colleagues and diocesan guidelines for next week-end people will no longer need to book for Mass. Numbers will be unrestricted. There will be a very strong recommendation that people sanitise their hand on coming into Church and wear face masks. I appreciate there is no legal requirement but in terms of protecting yourself and others in an enclosed space where we will be close to each other and there may be crowded, there is strong moral obligation for us to still carry out these practices.

All pews will be available, but I am very grateful to stewards who are willing to continue their role to ensure that people are as spaced out as possible. Extra space at St Cuthbert's and at St Joseph's will also be still available. The one-way system will still operate, and Holy Communion will be taken to the pews at St Cuthbert's.

Ongoing Faith Witness Against Hassockfield

In October, the Home Office plans to open an Immigration Removal Centre at Hassockfield on the site of the former Medomsley Detention Centre. This will be for 80 women seeking asylum in the UK. The proposal is inhumane, unjust and incompatible with our faith which calls us to recognise the intrinsic dignity of each person. These women are people like ourselves who have the right to a place of safety and to be treated with respect and compassion. **A monthly prayer vigil will be held at the barrier to Hassockfield on the first Sunday of each month at 3pm starting on Sunday 1st August.** This will last for about 30 minutes and will incorporate a time of silent witness.

Please support this with your prayer and, if at all possible, come along.

For further information, please contact lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com

Schools

To all pupils and staff, have a great break. It has been a challenging year. To all the staff at our three Catholic schools in North Shields, huge respect for all you have done in the past 12 months. Rest well to face a new year in September.

A Note of Thanks from Sr Aurora

Dear Fr Chris,

Thank you so much for the cheque of £491. I would like to thank all the parishioners for their generosity towards our missions whom at the moment are struggling due to all this lockdown and we are unable to help them as we used to do. But the generosity of the British people is always appreciated, and they don't lack of generosity indeed. I always experience this outreaching towards others.

A huge thank you for the big help given.

I assure you and all the parishioners of our daily prayers.

Aurora

Pastoral Carers Group

The group met last Wednesday. These are the areas we would like to develop in the months ahead:

- Ministry of Consolation: The Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea have given a great example of what can be done. We hope to develop a similar group. Is anyone interested.
- Grief during a pandemic We have a trained bereavement Counsellor and parishioners trained in enhanced listening skills. Would anyone in the parish like help from any of these people?
- Course on stress: This was a success; we hope to repeat in the winter.
- Supporting mums and young families post restrictions: We hope to develop the relationship with Mum Space and Baptism Catechists.
- Many people are anxious post restrictions about coming to Church. Please let me if you would like to receive Holy Communion from a Special Minister

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) 2021-2022

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The CCRS course programme is now available for 2021-2022 and there is a short presentation shown on the Diocesan website:

www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses_ccrs.php

If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

Buy a Jab for Someone Else

The Catholic author and campaigner Paul Vallely has organised a scheme as part of Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance. £6 pounds will buy two vaccine jabs.

To donate please go to: <https://gofund.me/7cf8195c>

Use of St Cuthbert's Presbytery

Please see separate sheet where I have addressed some of the questions that have arisen about the possibility of the Presbytery being used by refugees as part of the Government Resettlement Programme with Tyneside Welcomes being the Lead Sponsor. Please contact me or another member of the parish council if you have any comments. I hope at the next meeting of the parish council on September 15th a final decision is made about our response to the approach from Tyneside Welcomes.

Listening as part of Tyne and Wear Citizens

A key aspect of Community Organising is to meet people and though despite differences discover our shared humanity and concerns. I am grateful to a member of the Proclaimers group, Sarah Graham, who has established an online document for people to express the concerns they have heard in their conversations. This can be found at

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DQSIkWdsW0yxEjajBLZtrQAAAAAANAANAacRmR2ZURFA1RFcyN0NIREoxTFNOMetVS0g1VzhLNC4u>

Proud Catholics

Do you identify as LGBT+ or are you questioning your sexual or gender identity? Would you like to attend a support group run by and for LGBT+ Catholics in the North East? We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm, currently via Zoom.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 20th July, with the theme What is Caritas?

Proud Catholics has been welcomed into the diocesan family and has a home within the Vicariate for Caritas, but what exactly is Caritas? Fr Adrian Tuckwell, Episcopal Vicar for Caritas in the diocese, will join us to explain and to answer any questions we may have.

For more information, phone Isabel on 07858 934457, email proud.catholics@yahoo.com, or visit our website <http://www.proud.catholics.co.uk>

Continuing the Journey

Some people may feel that they would like to pause and reflect at the end of their RCIA journey, whilst others may be asking what next after RCIA? For anyone who has completed an RCIA programme, we are offering an opportunity to continue the process of learning and sharing the Faith, using video and group discussion, through five online Zoom sessions. The last 2 sessions will take place on Wednesday 21st & 28th July at 7.00pm. Each session will last for one hour. Please register at

<https://forms.office.com/r/LMPReCA8nK> or contact Faith & Mission by email at adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

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.

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: 7:30pm

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 Nestah Masiwa at: nehmasiwa@yahoo.com or Ruth Corless on +44 7752 009361.

Use of Church Grounds

In discussions with the 'Parish Proclaimers' it has been expressed that there is potential with the extensive ground we have at both Churches. Although I have been advised that in both settings, the possibilities of making things grow is limited due to extensive tree roots and shade, we discussed whether the grounds could be use from some type of 'rewilding' or made into spaces for reflection and or remembrance. I am inviting parishioners to inform me of any ideas they would have for the use of our grounds to benefit within and beyond our community.

QR Code

This week's QR Code has some summer holiday ideas for young people.

<https://www.mykidstime.com/things-to-do/50-fun-activities-for-teens-to-do-in-the-summer/>

