

**22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR B, 28TH & 29TH AUGUST 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**

“Wash your hands!” The practice of good hygiene has, in this time of Covid-19, taken on almost the force of a Law; and for good reason, deriving from human wisdom and concern for everyone’s physical health. In Jesus time, the act of hand washing was enforced not only for physical reasons, but also as a sacred ritual safeguard against spiritual defilement. Jesus was attacked because his disciples had not observed the prescribed detail of that ritual. Jesus’ response is to point out that those who are criticising his disciples are guilty of pedantic hypocrisy; they condemn a minor fault in others while themselves overlooking or even condoning much greater evils. That’s a temptation that still exists among us today. Even our highest law makers can get it wrong, making bad laws based on false ideas. So how do we keep a sense of proportion? By keeping God’s law always before our minds. He has planted it in our souls. For our own sake we need to listen to it and honour it, not just in ritual words and actions, but in our heart and in our relationships.

*Joe James*

**WELCOME TO THE PARISH**

A warm welcome to Father Peter Carr who will celebrate Mass this and next weekend at St Edward’s Church.

**DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE - POST-19 JULY –**

**STEP 4 GUIDANCE**

*I have taken both Clergy and Lay advice and due to the very high infection rates across all areas of the Diocese, I ask you to retain all of the COVID control measures and cleaning protocols that you are currently following in all our churches and church halls until at least the end of August 2021. (Bishop Robert Byrne, CO, 18 July 2021)*

For everyone’s safety when attending Mass at St Edward’s, please continue to wear face coverings, sanitise hands when entering and leaving the church, follow the directions of the stewards for seating and the one-way system around the building, remembering to keep social distancing. Many thanks. During the pandemic our stewards have made it possible for us to gather for Mass and the other Sacraments and funerals and have cleaned and sanitised our churches. They will continue to provide this ministry of welcome for the foreseeable future. We thank them and offer them our continuing prayers.

**CHURCH LIGHTING UPGRADE**

The electric lighting in our churches is being upgraded to comply with the phasing out of halogen and fluorescent bulbs as directed by the UK Government. St Edward’s Church upgrade, which will cost much less to run and cause less environmental damage, will be completed on 31 August. Immaculate Heart Church will also be upgraded starting 31 August. This work has been possible due to the generosity of parishioners who have given legacies.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kathleen Gott of Eccles Grange, Backworth, who died on 13 August aged 91 years. A Funeral Service will be held at 12.00 Noon on 2 September at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, followed by interment at Earsdon Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sheila Clapperton, of Eastbourne Gardens, Whitley Bay, who died on 16 August, aged 81 years. Her body will be received into St Edward’s Church at 4.00 pm on Tuesday 31 August, and Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.00 Noon on Wednesday 1 September. The Clapperton Family ask that parishioners attend the Reception and Vigil at 4.00pm on 31 August to allow family and close friends to attend the Requiem Mass. Please reserve a place by phone on 0191 2513740 or email jjames9241@aol.com.

Both the Reception and Requiem Mass will be livestreamed via the following links:

Reception & Requiem Mass

<https://watchlive.ddmedia.group/WP-3SC31W>

Requiem Mass only

<https://watchlive.ddmedia.group/WP-3SC1WB>

**MGR ANDREW - HIP REPLACEMENT - 29 JULY**

Mgr Andrew is making a good recovery following the hip replacement. We welcome Fr Peter Carr who will celebrate the Sunday Masses for the next two weekends. Weekday Mass will also be celebrated on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9.30am at St Edward’s Church. If a priest is needed urgently, please phone Canon Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, or Fr John McElhone 0191 2623820, or Fr David Smith 0191 2623882. Mgr Andrew is grateful for your continuing prayers and support.

## **WEEKEND MASSES**

Places for Saturday's Vigil and Sunday Mass 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.

## **FOOD BANK**

The food bank collection will not take place next Monday as it is a bank holiday. We look forward to seeing you back on Monday 6th September. Contributions of tinned meat, tea bags, sugar and tinned vegetables would be much appreciated when we next meet. Thank you.

## **SECOND COLLECTIONS & OTHER DONATIONS**

The total given since April 2021 to date is as follows:

Day for Life	£188.90
Peter's Pence	£145.07
Apostleship of the Sea	£370.96
Water Aid	£130.00
CAFOD Haiti Disaster Appeal	£349.15

Thank you for your generosity in these challenging times.

## **READER'S ROTA - AUGUST 2021**

DAY	DATE	TIME	READER
Saturday	28 August	6pm	Freda Jack
Sunday	29 August	10am	Peter Nesbitt

Readers, please note that you must reserve a place for the Mass you are reading at by telephoning **07340 169249** on a Thursday between 10.00am - 12.00 Noon or 6.00pm - 8.00pm. If you would like to be added to the Rota please contact Liz Louvre on 07411046075, to give your details and which Mass you would like to read at.

## **WALKING GROUP**

Gerry Latimer will lead the next walk on Friday 3rd September starting at 10.00am from Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. The six and a half mile walk will follow the Silver Fox Way from Shiremoor to Percy Main, then on to the Royal Quays Marina. We will return through Chirton Dene Park, to admire the brooklime and marsh marigolds in the Water Landscape and end at the Meadow Well Metro for the return. The walk is a very gentle incline to the River Tyne without notable rises or descents. Further information from Gerry, if required, on 0191 251 6989.

## **BRING A MASK TO CHURCH**

Although we do supply masks if required, we would ask that parishioners bring their own to church wherever possible. Thank you.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

### **CAFOD - HAITI EARTHQUAKE DISASTER APPEAL**

Over 1500 people have been killed with at least one million people affected. Homes have been destroyed and people need emergency supplies, including medicine, shelter, food and water. Storm Grace, which hit the region a few days later, made the situation worse with heavy rains, leading to flooding and mudslides. Any further donations can be sent to the Parish Office. Many thanks.

### **FIRST STEPS – EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH ONLINE**

*Are you wondering about your relationship with God and not sure where to start? Join us on a journey this Autumn and see if the Catholic Church can help your relationship grow. This may be the right path for you. It may even help you take the next steps towards coming into the Church. We gather weekly via Zoom and invite you to come along to find out more. Starts Wednesday 22nd September at 7pm. If you are interested to find out more, you can enquire/register using the [Online Enquiry Form](#) or email [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).*

### **VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE**

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Diocesan Department for Education:

- Senior Administrator – permanent, full-time
- Administrator (maternity cover), full-time

The closing date for applications is 2nd September.

Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Sunderland

- Cleaner – 16 hours per week

Newcastle (based at St Teresa's, Heaton)

- Parish Secretary – 12 hours per week

Closing date for applications – 8 September

Sunderland, Lay University Chaplain – full-time

Closing date for applications 12 September

For further information and details of how to apply please visit our website [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) or contact us on 0191 2433301.

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

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

**Cluster Website** [www.northyntesidecatholic.org.uk](http://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.**

Current Parish Office opening hours: Thursday 10.00am - 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.

<b>MASSES &amp; OTHER SERVICES</b>	
<b>DAY &amp; DATE</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b>
Saturday 28th August <b>ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO</b>	6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 29th August <b>22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10.00am Tom Murray (TM)
Monday 30th August	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 31st August <b>ST AIDAN &amp; THE SAINTS OF LINDISFARNE</b>	9.30am Charles Donachy (LBD) 4.00pm Reception & Vigil of Prayer Sheila Clapperton
Wednesday 1st September	12 Noon - Requiem Mass Sheila Clapperton
Thursday 2nd September	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> 9.30am Mary Annan (AG) <b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 12.00 Noon - Funeral Service Kathleen Gott
Friday 3rd September <b>ST GREGORY THE GREAT</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday 4th September <b>THE TRANSLATION OF ST CUTHBERT</b>	6pm Peter John Leeder (EF)
Sunday 5th September <b>23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10.00am People of the Parish

<b>BAPTISM</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b>
Sunday 29th August 12 Noon (Father Andrew)	Oliver Reece Hodgson
Sunday 5th September 12 Noon (Father Andrew)	Ruben Jose Mair

**Please remember in your prayers:**

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 Martin McGann, Peggy Huffam, Kathleen Gott, Sheila Clapperton and Fr Bill O'Gorman. 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**  
**22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR B, 28TH & 29TH AUGUST 2021**

**First Reading**

**Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8**

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 14(15):2-5**

*We say the Psalm together*

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart;  
he who does not slander with his tongue.
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord.
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

**Second Reading**

**James 1:17-18,21-22,27**

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23**

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

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.