

24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR B, 11TH & 12TH SEPTEMBER 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 (Autumn) from September to Advent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

In Mark's gospel the people have been amazed at what Jesus can do when suddenly Peter comes to the realization that Jesus is the Messiah. When Jesus asks his disciples 'who do people say I am' Peter is the only disciple who identifies Jesus as the Christ as he speaks with authority like no other – he is the Messiah. Then Jesus begins to show his disciples that fulfilment of salvation is through suffering. He is not the conquering hero who will simply wipe out all his opponents. Three times Jesus says to those following him they must go all the way to the cross. It is the same today, we resist any suffering that comes our way and because of Covid 19 we are all suffering to some extent. Our way is to turn to the Lord through prayer knowing that it will end. Everything that happens to us has been overcome by the Lord. Peter wants his Messiah to be strong and victorious but Jesus rejects this view and says that a God who is a stranger to suffering is the invention of Satan. The Son of God has gone before us and in following him we find our true faith in God.

Deacon Terry

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. (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.

MGR ANDREW – HIP REPLACEMENT – 29 JULY

Mgr Andrew has returned to his duties both in the Parish and the Diocese since his recent hip replacement. He is grateful for your prayers and support.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Blackburn of Margaret Cottages, Whitley Bay, who died on 30 August aged 82 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, on Thursday 16 September, followed by committal at Tynemouth Crematorium. Numbers are restricted to the capacity of the church due to Covid regulations. May he rest in peace. Amen.

EDUCATION SUNDAY 2021

Education Sunday falls this year on 12 September – just after the new academic year starts. The theme is 'A word in season', taken from Isaiah 50:4. Churches Together in England (CTE) rightly describes teaching and studying as "demanding and privileged callings" and Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to give thanks to God for all who teach and all who study, for all who continually find the right words and deliver them with enthusiasm and graciousness. This is all the more poignant as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Governors, teachers, pupils and leaders in our schools have suffered 18 months of disruption and uncertainty. For the second year in a row, GCSE and A Level students have been Centre Assessed or Teacher Assessed – a challenging situation for both teachers and pupils. Today, we pray that God will strengthen those working to make our academies and schools places of learning and sanctuary – including the support staff whose tireless work sometimes goes unnoticed. We pray for all our primary and secondary pupils and particularly school leavers who have had such a difficult journey in recent times – not to mention students in higher education and vocational training.

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 collections continue as normal every Monday. This week could we ask for tinned spam, tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew etc, savoury snacks and toilet rolls. Thank you.

CHURCH LIGHTING UPGRADE

The electric lighting in our churches has been upgraded to comply with the phasing out of halogen and fluorescent bulbs as directed by the UK Government. This means the lights will cost much less to run and cause less damage to the environment. This work has been possible due to the generosity of parishioners who have given legacies in their wills, for which we are very grateful.

PARISH/PARTNERSHIP JOURNEY IN FAITH 2021 - 2022

The next series of Journey in Faith sessions will begin in mid-October. These sessions are aimed at anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic Church with a view to possibly becoming a Catholic, and also at those who are already Catholic but wish to have a fresh look at the Church. Please share this notice with anyone you think may be interested and ask them to leave contact details with the parish office by email or phone. One of the team will then get in touch with further details.

WALKING GROUP

The next Parish walk will be on Friday 17th September. Please meet at Weetslade Country Park at 10.30am. The walk will take in the Weetslade Country Park, Wideopen and Gosforth Park, a distance of 6 miles on good tracks and tarmac surfaces. If you require more information, please contact Peter Weighill on 0191 2512917.

READER'S ROTA - SEPTEMBER 2021

DAY	DATE	TIME	READER
Saturday	11 September	6pm	Liz Louvre
Sunday	12 September	10am	Derek Hooper
Saturday	18 September	6pm	Maire Cross
Sunday	19 September	10am	Helen Jobe
Saturday	25 September	6pm	Pauline Keavey
Sunday	26 September	10am	Gerry Rafferty

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.

HOME MISSION SUNDAY - 19 SEPTEMBER 2021

There will be a second collection next weekend.

OTHER NOTICES

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.

CONFERENCE: CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

You are invited you to attend a conference *Caring for Our Common Home - Responding to the Cry of the Earth and the Poor* on Saturday 18th September at the Emmaus Village. The conference is free to attend, but as numbers are limited, please book your place by the deadline of 10th September. Further information and booking form are available on the Diocesan Environmental Group page on the website <http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/caritas/deq.php>

DAY OF REFLECTION - SATURDAY 9TH OCTOBER

A Day of Reflection for Readers is to be held at Ushaw College, Durham on Saturday 9th October 2021, from 10.30am - 3.30pm. Registration & refreshments from 10.00am. A light lunch and tea and coffee will be provided. Places should be booked through your parish (forms are available from the Parish Office) or by contacting The Vicariate for Faith & Mission on 07375 934713 or email: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk The cost of the day is £15 per person and is payable by your parish. **Please book no later than Thursday 23rd September 2021.**

CALLED TO THE SUPPER OF THE LAMB

A Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is to be held at Ushaw College, Durham on Saturday 16th October 2021 or Saturday 30th October 2021, from 10.30am - 3.30pm. Registration & refreshments from 10.00am. A light lunch and tea and coffee will be provided. Places should be booked through your parish or by contacting The Vicariate for Faith & Mission on 07375 934713 or email: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk. The cost of the day is £15 per person and is payable by your parish. **Please book no later than Thursday 30th September Or Thursday 14th October respectively.**

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley (St. Edwards) stedwardsne26@btconnect.com (0191) 2528021

Star of the Sea Primary School starofthesea.primary@ntl.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.

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 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 11th September	6pm Peter & Albertina Arrighi (LD)
Sunday 12th September 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 13th September ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM	No Mass
Tuesday 14th September THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	9.30am Fred Sweeney (LL)
Wednesday 15th September OUR LADY OF SORROWS	9.30am (Private Mass) Brenda Brady (MD)
Thursday 16th September SS CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN	10.00am Requiem Mass Paul Blackburn
Friday 17th September	9.30am (Private Mass) Martin McGann (J & DJ)
Saturday 18th September	6pm Anne Allen (MA)
Sunday 19th September 25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.00am People of the Parish

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 12th September 12 Noon (Father Andrew)	Lily Rose McHugh
Sunday 19th September 11.15am (Father Andrew)	Peter & Alice Doyle

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, Fr Bill O'Gorman, Estelita Marciano, Fr. Michael Sharratt and Paul Blackburn. 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

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
24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR B, 11TH & 12TH SEPTEMBER 2021

First Reading

Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare to condemn me?
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 114(116):1-6,8-9

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. | 2. They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord, my God, deliver me! |
| 3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me. | 4. He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. |

Second Reading

James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'
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.