

**ALL SAINTS' DAY, YEAR B, 30TH & 31ST OCTOBER 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**

Today is the solemnity of All Saints. The reading from Revelation recalls a time when Christians were first being persecuted. Following this period those faithful to God and to Christ will be delivered and gathered into the peace of God's presence. The beatitudes according to St Matthew stand at the head of the sermon on the mount and point out eight ways in which we can welcome God into our lives. Today's solemnity invites us to celebrate our own people, to take pride in the saints who have preceded us and those who still grace our communities. As we continue to battle through this pandemic and the life changes it imposes, we can be proud of the numberless people who have gone before us and how they remained open to God's spirit. For all of these, who are still among us we feel fortunate and give thanks to be counted as one with them.

**Deacon Terry**

**REVISED COVID CURRENT CHURCH SITUATION**

Following the latest meeting with our church stewards, the following changes have been agreed.

- **6.00 pm Vigil Mass** - Immaculate Heart Church.
- **10.00am Sunday Mass** - St Edward's Church.
- **Our Lady and St Edmund's Church, Backworth** - closed.
- **Sunday Mass Bookings** - places for the 6.00pm Vigil Mass and 10.00am Sunday Mass are reserved by phone. Phone **07340 169249** on Thursdays only, 10.00am -12.00 Noon or 6.00pm - 8.00pm.
- **Hand Sanitiser** - is used as you enter and leave church.
- **Face Coverings** - are encouraged in church.
- **Social Distancing** - reduced to 1 metre between individuals and households.
- **Stewards** - continue to operate at all Masses. Thanks for their generosity.
- **Confession** - is available by phoning the Priest at St Edward's (01912528021). **Mgr Andrew Faley**

**NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS - MESSAGE FROM BISHOP BYRNE**

November is the traditional time of the Holy Souls. As we emerge from the Covid restrictions it is particularly appropriate that we devote November this year to remembering all who died during the time of the Pandemic. This is to include both deaths due to the Coronavirus or from other causes. For the month of November, each parish is invited to prepare a Book of Remembrance in which are entered the names of all those who died, and to celebrate a Requiem Mass for all those named in the book. I also hope to celebrate a Mass in each Episcopal Area for those we have lost; Episcopal Vicars will be in touch with details of locations, dates, and times for these. You are invited to bring your Parish Book of Remembrance to the Cathedral during the week following Sunday 21 November. On Saturday 27 November I will

preside at a Solemn Requiem Mass in the Cathedral at 11.00am for all those throughout the Diocese who have died. Clergy, religious and lay people from across the Diocese are warmly invited to take part.

**Our Parish Mass** for the Holy Souls will be celebrated at 7.00pm on 2 November at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. If you wish, please arrive early to light a candle before the Altar in memory of your loved one(s). The names of those who have died since the first lock-down will be read out in prayer during the Mass. May they rest in peace. Amen. Mgr Andrew

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sylvia Begg of Esplanade, Whitley Bay, who died on 19 October aged 90 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 12.00Noon on 9 November at St Edward's Church, followed by interment at Holy Cross Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Albert Whiting of Seaton Crescent, Monkseaton, who died on 24 October aged 85 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.00Noon on 19 November at Immaculate Heart Church, followed by interment at Earsdon Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to Eve Clennell who will make her First Confession and First Holy Communion this weekend at the 10.00am Mass at St Edward's Church.

**GRATEFUL THANKS**

Mary Nugent has faithfully carried out many duties for many years at St Edward's and has now decided to retire. We express our grateful thanks to Mary for her faithful service and wish her every blessing for the future.



MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	CHURCH
Saturday 30th October <b>THE MARTYRS OF DOUAI COLLEGE</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 6pm Julia Judge (Judge Family)
Sunday 31st October <b>ALL SAINTS' DAY</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 1st November	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 2nd November <b>THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> 7.00pm The Holy Souls & May Glendinning
Wednesday 3rd November	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 9.30am Elvira & Tarcisio Dimascio (MA)
Thursday 4th November <b>ST CHARLES BORROMEO</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> 9.30am Alan Rowe (RR)
Friday 5th November	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 9.30am Sheila Clapperton (M & CMcA)
Saturday 6th November	<b>IMMACULATE HEART</b> 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 7th November <b>32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b> 10.00am Estelita Marciano (SVP)
<b>BAPTISM</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S</b>
Sunday 31st October 12 Noon (Father Andrew)	Niamh Victoria Stiles
Sunday 7th November 11.30am (Father Andrew)	Neave Sinead Stanley

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Nicola Burns, Mary Woodman, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, Kathryn Newton-Henderson, Layton Jay Newton, David Johnson, Ann Stroud, Eileen Scott and Win Foley who are ill. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially Estelita Marciano, Fr. Michael Sharratt, Ray Blackburn, Michael Wilson, Damian McAndrews, Sylvia Begg & Albert Whiting. 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.

**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**

Mgr Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Canon Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770, Fr Chris Hughes 0191 2575801, Fr David Smith 0191 2623882. Deacon Terry McGann - contact via the Parish Office: 0191 2527066.

**READINGS AT MASS**  
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**First Reading**

**Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14**

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 23(24):1-6**

*We say the Psalm together*

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| <p>1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,<br/>the world and all its peoples.<br/>It is he who set it on the seas;<br/>on the waters he made it firm.</p> <p>3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord<br/>and reward from the God who saves him.<br/>Such are the men who seek him,<br/>seek the face of the God of Jacob.</p> | <p>2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?<br/>Who shall stand in his holy place?<br/>The man with clean hands and pure heart,<br/>who desires not worthless things.</p> |
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**Second Reading**

**1 John 3:1-3**

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Matthew 5:1-12a**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

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.