

<p><b>TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP</b></p> <p>Parish of</p> <p><b>OUR LADY &amp; ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH</b></p> <p>&amp;</p> <p><b>ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS</b></p>	<p>Canon Martin Stempczyk St Mary's Presbytery Farringdon Road Cullercoats NE30 3EY</p> <p>Tel: (0191) 2513770</p>		<p><u>Local Partnership Contacts</u> Fr Christopher Hughes (Tel:2575801) Mgr Andrew Faley (Tel: 2528021) <u>Hospital Chaplain</u> Deacon Stephen Boulter (Tel: 07768 387393)</p>
<p>Parish Office Email: <a href="mailto:cullercoats.stmary@rcdhn.org.uk">cullercoats.stmary@rcdhn.org.uk</a> Diocese of Hexham &amp; Newcastle – Reg Charity No: 1143450 St Mary's Church Hall Bookings – <i>Currently Closed</i> St Oswin's Meeting Room Bookings</p>		<p>Partner <a href="http://tynesidecatholic.org.uk">tynesidecatholic.org.uk</a> Diocesan Website: <a href="http://www.rcdhn.org.uk">www.rcdhn.org.uk</a> Facebook Page: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/diocesehn">www.facebook.com/diocesehn</a></p>	

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas – 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

### SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Ecc 24: 1-12, Eph 1: 3-18</i>
			St M <td>11.00am</td> <td>Fr Peter Smith</td> <td><i>John 1: 1-18</i></td>	11.00am	Fr Peter Smith	<i>John 1: 1-18</i>
Mon	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Weekday before Epiphany	St M	10.00am	Private Intention	<i>John 1: 2-29; 3:6, John 1: 29-34</i>
Tue	4 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday before Epiphany			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday before Epiphany	St O	10.00am	Jim & Margaret Collins (MC)	<i>1 John 3: 11-21, John 1: 43-51</i>
Thu	6 <sup>th</sup>	Epiphany of the Lord	St O	9.30am	Antonio Assalone (RClynes)	<i>Is 60:1-6, Eph 3: 2-6</i>
			St M	11.00am	Bernadette Joyce (KJ)	<i>Matt 2: 1-12</i>
Fri	7 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday after Epiphany	St O	10.00am	Lesley Hanratty (BH)	<i>1 John: 22;4:6, Matt 4: 12-25</i>
Sat	8 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday after Epiphany			<i>No Public Service</i>	
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	Baptism of the Lord	St O	9.30am	Maureen Hogg (SK)	<i>Is 42: 1-7, Acts 10: 34-38</i>
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	<i>Is 40: 1-11</i>

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Available on request.

*St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm - for Short visits*

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers in January:** Teresa Shipley, Pam Dean, Sheila Moore, Maureen Ruddick, David T, GR, Joe O'Kane, Sheila Boyle, Bob Devlin, Rodney Willits, Rina Donald, David Boudge, Margaret Didsbury, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Alan Brown, Eileen Stevens, Irene Keenaghan.

**Anniversaries:** Nancy Cawood, Alexander Howells, George Hinton, Ted Harding, Fr Aidan Pickering, James Birkett, Annie Spence, Bernadette Joyce, Lesley Hanratty.

**Feast of the Epiphany:** This Thursday we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. There will be a Mass at both churches this day for those who may wish to celebrate this feast. **Please check times.**

**Crib Offerings** can be placed in the basket by the crib. Money will go to Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health and housing costs and initiatives. FHL is non-political and ecumenical.

**As we step into the New Year,** you may like to reflect more deeply on what we can each do in response to these word from Pope Francis: *Laudato si* - On care for our common home: *'I would like to ask ...all men and women of goodwill: Let us be 'protectors' of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment.'*

**The Current Guidelines** remain in place, namely that people visiting Church for services are still requested to **sanitise their hands** and **wear face-covering**. Social distancing is reduced to one metre between households. These guidelines will be reviewed again in February 2022. **You no longer need to book to attend Mass. You must not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid-19, or are feeling unwell.** While the pandemic endures there is still no obligation to attend a Sunday Mass.

**Why not set up a monthly Standing Order** to make your contribution towards the upkeep of the church? The information you need is as follows: The church account is with HSBC:

Name: DHN Tynemouth Our Lady & St Oswin  
Account Number: 12011336  
Sort code: 40-34-18

**Christmas Collections** – money raised at Masses at Christmas will be donated to Homeless Charities.

**Northern Catholic Calendars 2022** - are now on sale, as you leave church, price £3. *Please place payment in the envelopes provided and return to the collection bucket.*

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**The Order of Mass can be found on Page 4 of your Hymn Book**

**First reading**

*Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2,8-12*

*This is a poem in praise of divine wisdom, a wisdom that has made her dwelling among God's people*

From eternity, in the beginning, God created wisdom. Wisdom speaks her own praises, in the midst of her people she glories in herself. She opens her mouth in the assembly of the Most High, she glories in herself in the presence of the Mighty One; 'Then the creator of all things instructed me, and he who created me fixed a place for my tent. He said, "Pitch your tent in Jacob, make Israel your inheritance." From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity I shall remain. I ministered before him in the holy tabernacle, and thus was I established on Zion. In the beloved city he has given me rest, and in Jerusalem I wield my authority. I have taken root in a privileged people, in the Lord's property, in his inheritance.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 147*

**Response: The Word was made flesh, and lived among us.**

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates  
he has blessed the children within you.
2. He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command.
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees.

**Second reading**

*Ephesians 1:3-6,15-18*

*Here is presented God's plan of salvation centred on the person of Christ.*

Before the world was made, God chose us in Christ. Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved. That will explain why I, having once heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all the saints, have never failed to remember you in my prayers and to thank God for you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans.  
Glory be to you, O Christ, believed in by the world. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

*John 1:1-18*

*This is a hymn to the Word of God, the source of all life, whose coming among us makes us children of God.*

The Word was made flesh, and lived among us. In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Question of the week**

**How do you welcome Jesus as the Word of God in your life?**