

8TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 26TH & 27TH FEBRUARY 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

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The Cycle of Prayer

Ordinary Time (Winter)

In the time leading up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Peace on Earth; Openness to the Word of God; Christian Unity; the Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those Who Work to Combat it; the Unemployed.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Abraham Lincoln once said 'it is better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to talk and remove all doubt' Reflecting on this week's readings we might feel a little hesitant about commenting because the first one says appearances can be deceiving- it is only when we speak that our true nature is revealed. Let's be clear; we all say the wrong thing sometimes, but when we realise this, do we always apologise and try to move on? In the gospel Jesus sets forth some guiding principles for us to live by. We should follow good or respected teachers and become like them. Not to find the faults in others since we all have faults. Being faithful disciples of Jesus means seeing the good in others and being quick to forgive rather than judge.

Deacon Terry

TOWARDS A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION – PARTICIPATION – MISSION

The fifth and last of our parish series of zoom meetings, to which all are invited, will be on Tuesday 8th March at 7:00pm, when we will focus on: fulfilling as Church the commission of Jesus to make disciples of all nations, the formation we need for this and the difference that we can make to the world; how we become effective in passing on the faith; how we need to prepare ourselves for this task; and how we can continue dialogue so that the Church has a "lived synodality". The link to the zoom meeting is:-

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89990593963?pwd=SFRuK2xsd3VGQ2VBbUNpMTh4RnhRZz09>

The Meeting ID is 899 9059 3963 Passcode: 901900

For further information ring Joe James on 0191 2513740 or email jjames9241@aol.com

LENT 2022

Ash Wednesday 2nd March, is this week. We will celebrate the Blessing and Distribution of Ashes during 10.00am Mass at St Edward's Church and 7.00pm Mass at Immaculate Heart Church. During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday at 7.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church. In this Diocesan Year of the Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 9.00am before each weekday Mass. Lent calls us to God's mercy. We turn ourselves to the light of Jesus and pray for conversion. In your home, create a sacred space for Lent with a crucifix, a candle, your rosary, prayer book and missal. Gather yourself and family in the space to pray together, and to be silent.

RECENTLY DECEASED

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Redmond McDonnell of Whitley Bay, who died on 25 January

aged 77 years. A funeral service will take place at 1.30pm on the 8 March at Tynemouth Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joan Ferguson of Whitley Bay, who died on 2 February aged 92 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on 1 March at St Edward's Church, followed by committal at Tynemouth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Florence Palmejar of Shiremoor, who died on 16 February aged 47 years. A Vigil of Prayer will begin with Reception at 3.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church on 7 March, and Mass celebrated at 7.00pm on 8 March. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.00Noon at St Edward's Church, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Noble of Kendal House, Whitley Bay, who died on 22 February aged 89 years. A funeral service will take place at 10.30am on 14 March at Tynemouth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH COVID CONTROLS – UPDATE – MARCH 2022

Phone Reservations -it is no longer necessary to reserve places in church by phone.

COVID Symptoms - if you show any COVID symptoms please stay at home and isolate.

Hand Sanitiser - it is still good practice to sanitise hands on entry and exit of churches. There is no need for readers to sanitise their hands before reading.

Face Coverings - all who attend church are encouraged to wear a face covering. It is recommended that clergy and servers on the sanctuary, providing they are 2 metres distant from the congregation, do not need to wear face covering except when distributing Holy Communion.

MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	CHURCH
Saturday 26th February	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm In Thanksgiving
Sunday 27th February 8TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 28th February	No Mass
Tuesday 1st March ST DAVID, PATRON OF WALES	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 11.00am Requiem Mass Joan Ferguson
Wednesday 2nd March ASH WEDNESDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Brian Smith (KS) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 7pm Patricia Donachy (LBD)
Thursday 3rd March	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am In Thanksgiving (RR)
Friday 4th March	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Michael Wilson 7pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 5th March	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 6th March 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Malcolm Louvre (LL)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 26th February 11am (Deacon Terry)	Dylan Carter Viegas
Sunday 27th February 11.30am (Father Andrew)	Isabella Lyra Thompson-Korsbo

Please remember in your prayers:

Layton Jay Newton, David Johnson, Ann Stroud, Eileen Scott, Win Foley and Sarah Walton who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially Tom Bittle, Redmond McDonnell, Joan Ferguson, Fr Malcolm Cairns, Florence Palmejar, Dorothy Noble and Maria Quinn. 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.

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

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READINGS AT MASS
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First Reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where a tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels. Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 91(92):2-3,13-16

We say the Psalm together

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night.
2. The just will flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: *Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting?* Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples: 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. 'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**