

MASS READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C)

FIRST READING

See, I am doing a new deed, and I will give my chosen people drink.

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army, which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125

Response: **What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.**

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| <p>1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs.</p> | <p>2. The heathens themselves said:
'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.</p> |
| <p>3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.</p> | <p>4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves.</p> |

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

Reproducing the pattern of his death, I have accepted the loss of everything for Christ.

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

John 8:1-11

If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin anymore.'

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We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.

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2nd/3rd April 2022 – 5th Sunday of Lent - C

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 2nd April		5:30pm: Mass Sylvia Keilty
Sunday 3rd April 5th Sunday in Lent	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live streamed	
Monday 4 th April	No Mass	
Tuesday 5 th April		9:30am: Mass: Herbert & Florence Redpath
Wednesday 6 th April	9:30am: Mass:	
Thursday 7 th April	No Mass	
Friday 8 th April		7:00pm: Mass: Alfonso Darantino
Saturday 9th April		5:30pm: Mass : People of the Parish
Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday - C	11:00am: Mass Joan Olley Live streamed	

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp group: text your name & number to 07752009361 to be added to StCuthStJosNshields Group

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

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Parish office: 0191 257 3408

Prayer List

Prayer Intentions for Lent: The People of Ukraine, Peace Candidates for Sacraments, Penitents & Wanderers, Women, the Poor & Hungry

We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Gary James, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Barbara & Tony Hicks 'Baby Stevie Dawn Roadment', Jim Campbell, Richard Sutherland, Irene Keenaghan, Eileen Stevens, Paula More, Tony Cocalis, Mary Quinn and Eleanor Robson.

Please pray for Theresa Stark, Agnes Annie Taylor, Wilomena (Billie) White and all those who have died recently, and also for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Charity Shop

It is a sign of the times that use of our local Charity shop is increasing. Due to increased demand more volunteers are needed on a Thursday morning. Please let Fr Chris know if you are interested.

Ministries at Mass

Please consider if you would be willing to read or bring up the gifts at the offertory. I would like more people participating in our celebrations of the Eucharist.

Tree Planting at Alexander Scott Park

Thanks to all who took part at the tree planting even on March 26th. Please see below a photo of your collective efforts- Well done!



Covid Controls

The latest Covid guidance from the Diocese is that ventilation, mask wearing and hand sanitising is still recommended. There is now no longer any need for risk assessment of the use of the hall or other social spaces. This means that meetings of parish groups that met before the pandemic can restart

CAFOD

Thank you so much for your support of CAFOD's Lent Family Fast Day, the Walk Against Hunger and the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Your support means we can respond in crises such as Ukraine where our Caritas aid workers and volunteers could quickly help families fleeing conflict. It also means we're there in the long-term and can continue to respond to crises around the world, including in Afghanistan, Syria, Ethiopia, and South Sudan. We work alongside communities as they rebuild their lives once the conflict is over, as in Sierra Leone. For lots more detail on how your donations are being used, please go to the CAFOD website cafod.org.uk.

Survey for Catholic Women

Catholic Women Speak, an international forum for dialogue and awareness-raising around issues to do with women in the Catholic Church, invites Catholic women to take part in a survey that will form part of a submission to the Synodal process. The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete and is available in six languages, with further information available here:

<https://catholicwomenspeak.com/catholic-women-international-synod-survey>

Remembering the Past

This project is collecting people's memories of work and life around Northumberland Square and Howard Street as part of the Heritage Action Zone project.

Having heard about the Good Friday Procession of Witness being centred around the Square, they're keen to gather the recollections of those who took part years ago.

If you'd like to contribute to the project, please contact Kath Smith via any of these channels: Remembering the Past, Room R11b, The Linskill Centre, Linskill Terrace, North Shields, NE30 2AY. Tel. 0191 2584623 manager@rememberingthepast.co.uk

Prayer Walk on the Beach – St Columba's 2 pm, Saturday 9th April

A guided stroll with pauses for listening and for praying, both with and without words.

More information from stcolumbasevents8@gmail.com

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Rosary group

When two or three are gathered in my name..."All welcome to join a small group of parishioners praying the Rosary each week over Zoom.

Day: Thursday - Time: 7:30pm

For more information contact Nestah Masiwa at: nehmasiwa@yahoo.com or Ruth Corless on 07752009361.

Northern Cross

Paper copies of the Diocesan Newspaper are now available at the back of church. Cost is £1.50.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God
We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.
We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.
We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.
We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.
Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.
And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.
Lord have mercy. Amen
(Prayer from the Methodist church)

Holy Week Liturgies

The Liturgical Celebrations for the Tridium and Easter Sunday will be as follows:

Maundy Thursday	14 th April	St Joseph's	7:30pm Mass of the Last Supper
Good Friday	15 th April	St Cuthbert's	3:00pm The Passion
Holy Saturday	16 th April	St Joseph's	8:00pm Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	17 th April	St Joseph's	9:30am Mass
		St Cuthbert's	11:00am Mass

St Cuthbert's Presbytery

At the meeting of Diocesan Trustees on March 22nd, they agreed St Cuthbert's Presbytery can be used as part of the Government Community Sponsorship and Resettlement Programme with Tyneside Welcomes as the Lead Sponsor. It is wonderful that the parish is able to help some of the most vulnerable people in the world. Please keep this project in your prayers

Defibrators for the parish

The Parish Council agreed that for the good of the parish and of the local community, the parish will purchase two defibrators, that will be placed outside and will be available to parishioners and the local community. The cost will be about £4, 500. Any donations to contribute to this cost will be appreciated.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the light of Bishop's Pastoral Letter this week-end, in which he encourages us to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, from now till Maundy Thursday, I will be available for 30 minutes before Mass and immediately after Mass to celebrate the Sacrament. I will be in the day chapel for both Churches. On a Saturday evening I will be available from 4.45pm and on a Sunday morning from 10.15am

Lent

The public reading of St John's Gospel will take place next week, April 9th at St Cuthbert's. Stations of the Cross this Sunday will be at 4pm at St Joseph's.

Ukraine Appeal

A big thank-you to all who contributed to the Ukrainian Appeal in anyway. Donations can still be made. They will be forwarded to via the diocese ns CAFOD.

Government Ukrainian Refugee Programme

The Diocese in consultation with Caritas Social Action Network and other agencies are considering what the diocesan response should be. I have asked the diocese for guidance as to whether refugees can be welcomed into presbyteries that have a priest living in it. The diocese is also considering if empty presbyteries could be used. The Diocese is also aware of the need to support individuals or families who have offered accommodation on an individual basis. It is felt that support from the wider community is important rather than asking individuals to take on the responsibility. If you have offered accommodation as part of the Government scheme could you please let me know so you can be linked up to diocesan support.