MASS READINGS

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER FIRST READING

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

We are witnesses of all this, we and the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the Apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own righthand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' and they had the apostles called in, gave orders for them to be flogged, warned them not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 29

Response: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restore me to life from those who sink into the grave.
- The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.
 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
 Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.
- Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.
 His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
 At night these are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

SECOND READING Apocalypse 5:11-14

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given riches and power.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 21:1-19

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night. It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land. As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. 'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.' In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

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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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30th April/1st May 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Easter - C Masses. Devotions and Services St Cuthbert's Church St Joseph's Church Saturday 30th April 5:30pm: Mass: 1st May 11:00am: Mass People of the Parish Sunday 3rd Sunday of Easter - C Live streamed 2nd May Monday No Mass 3rd Mav 9:30am: Service of Word & Communion Tuesday Wednesday 4th May 9:30am: Service of Word & Communion 5th May Thursday No Mass 7:00pm: Service of Word & Communion Friday 6th May 7th May Saturday **5:30pm: Mass:** People of the Parish Sunday 8th May 11:00am: Mass John Ray 4th Sunday of Easter - C Live streamed

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

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Prayer List

Prayer Intentions for Easter: New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of Media, the Church, Peace, Human Work.

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 Michael Rourke and all those who have died recently, and also for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

Welcome

A warm welcome to Canon Martin Stempczyk who saying Mass this and next weekend at St Joseph's. A further welcome to members of the Society of Jesus based at St Dominic's Newcastle, one of whom who will be saying the Mass at St Cuthbert's this and next weekend. Fr Chris is grateful to their willingness to preside while he is away

Celebration of Marriage

Bishop Robert has kindly agreed to preside at a Celebration of Marriage and Family Life Mass in the Cathedral on <u>Saturday 21st May 2022 at 12:00pm</u>. There is an open invitation and will focus on couples celebrating significant anniversaries in 2022 but is open to engaged couples preparing for marriage, those who have been married since our last Mass in 2021 and all married couples. We include those widowed and bereaved who were unable to visit wives and husbands in hospital and homes prior to their deaths. In these unprecedented times, we remember couples in crisis and individual adults and children experiencing difficulties and abuse in their family relationships

Reflections on the Eucharist

The Diocese has prepared some reflections on the Eucharist during this Holy Year. They can be found at: https://diocesehn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Year-of-the-Eucharist-Encountering-the-Son-reflection-booklet.pdf

Pentecost Sunday

This year Pentecost Sunday will be June 5th. The Liturgy and Formation group thought it would be a good to acknowledge and celebrate the many nations and cultures represented in our parish. So at 4pm on Pentecost Sunday we will have a vigil and Holy Hour using the readings that the Church gioves for the Pentecost Vigil. This will be read in different languages with the English translation in a booklet. After the service we will have a social in the hall. We hope that you will bring food to share from your own country or culture. My thanks to Pauline Hughes who is willing to co-ordinate social side. If you would like to share some food for the event please sign up on the list at the back of Church. Pauline Hughes can be contacted at: paulinepoethughes@gmail.com

Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

- Hexham, St Mary Parish Secretary 20 hours a week
- Cleaner 14 hours a week

Closing date for applications: 4th May 2022. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us 0191 2433301.

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN)

Poverty Challenge: See, Judge, Act- Following the pandemic many households now face new hardships as prices rise. CSAN, The Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. The booklet can be downloaded from: www.csan.org.uk

Northern Cross

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

Holy Island Vinnie Camp 2022 – Volunteers Needed Urgently

Holy Island Camp will be running holidays for children in 2022. Our helpers are all volunteers and in order to go ahead successfully in 2022 we urgently need new volunteers to help in the kitchens, preparing food, washing up and clearing the dining hall. We also need caretaking staff who would be able to carry out a cleaning role. The work is tiring but also fun (you would be joining an established and very welcoming team) and the young people benefit enormously from a traditional seaside type holiday. The commitment can be for as little as three days a year in Term Time or more if you are able to help on multiple weeks or through the Summer Holidays. Camp 2022 will run for the first two separate weeks of the Summer Holiday and the last two. All helpers will be required to obtain a free Diocesan DBS check and some training. If you are interested, please visit our website : https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holyisland/about-camp

Call Out for First Aiders

In completing the annual Health and Safety returns, it was realised that the parish does not have a list of trained first aiders who could help if needed. If you are trained in First Aid, could you please let me know. Thanks Fr Chris

Defibrators for the parish

Thank-you to those who made helpful suggestions about resourcing these defibrators. We shall explore them.

Pilgrimage to Holy Island with Stella Maris

Stella Maris is holding a Day of Prayer & Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on Saturday 4th June 2022, led by the Rt Rev Paul Mason, Stella Maris Bishop Promoter, England & Wales. The pilgrimage starts at 12 noon. All are invited. Please check tide times. For further information contact Regional Port Chaplains Paul Atkinson (07906 212 426) or Peter Barrigan (07713 924 504).

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.

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.

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 Masiiwa at:

nehmasiiwa@yahoo.com or Ruth Corless on 07752009361.

Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal

The Little Sisters of the Poor at St Joseph's Home in Newcastle are finding the current economic climate increasingly more difficult. The emergency lockdown measures we have had to implement to aid efforts to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and keep our residents safe have had a massive impact on our fundraising activities and the charitable donations we rely on to meet the ever increasing daily running costs of the Home.

We are appealing for urgent donations to help us continue with our work of caring for the Elderly. In these uncertain times, small acts of kindness can make a huge difference in helping our Home.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers. We are extremely grateful to you for the kindness shown to us.

Cheques made payable to 'Little Sisters of the Poor' can be sent to: St Joseph's Home, Westmoreland Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7QA. Alternatively, secure, online donations can be made by visiting:

www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/

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)