

EASTER SUNDAY, YEAR C, 16TH & 17TH APRIL 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

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The Cycle of Prayer:

Easter tide

During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: **New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

When Mary of Magdala visits the tomb on the first day of the week, it was still dark. The darkness represents a lack of faith. It is the first day of the week and this represents a new creation dawning. Easter is this newness of life and it bursts forth in the resurrection of Christ. The darkness is overcome by the risen Christ. This is the pinnacle of our faith which we celebrate every year and it is the happiest day of our Churches' year. A time of enlightenment giving us a guaranteed future in which it is promised that we will join with Christ in glory. Happy Easter everyone!

Deacon Terry

TOWARDS A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION – PARTICIPATION – MISSION

Reflections have been received from across the Diocese by the Bishop's team which manages the synod process. The Bishop will release his final reflection this month, and send it on to the national stage of the process. Our Partnership reflection is available at the back of the church.

MONSIGNOR ANDREW FALEY

Monsignor Andrew has had his ankle replacement surgery and is now convalescing for the next few weeks. We are grateful to Fr Noel Colahan who will celebrate the Sunday Masses and Holy Week and Easter. If a priest is needed in an emergency, please phone Canon Martin Stempczyk on 0191 2513770, Fr Chris Hughes on 0191 2575801, or Fr David Smith on 0191 2623882. Monsignor Andrew thanks you for your prayers.

PARISH COVID CONTROLS

If you show any COVID symptoms, please stay at home and isolate. Please sanitise hands on entry and exit of churches. All attending are asked to wear a face covering. 1-metre social distancing continues between households. We are grateful for the stewards who continue to look after our parishioners. Church meeting spaces have re-opened to groups at Immaculate Heart and St Edward's Churches.

FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food bank through donations of food or money. So many people find your donations a life line. There will be no food bank collection at Immaculate Heart on Easter Monday. Normal service will be resumed on Monday 25th April when we would ask for Jam/savoury spread, Hot dogs, Tea bags, Tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew and Tinned or packet potatoes. Thank you.

RECENTLY DECEASED

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Thomas Kirk Reid of Shiremoor, who died on 28 March aged 92 years. A funeral service will be held at 12.30pm on 20 April at St Edward's Church, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Hazel Middleton of Cullercoats, who died on 11 April aged 84 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12 Noon on 29 April at St Edward's Church, followed by committal at Tynemouth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.

THANKS FROM CAFOD

"Thank you to all parishioners at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish for your generous support for CAFOD this year and for your latest donation of £230 which we received recently. Thank you so much for being there for our global family."

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Tuesday 19th April. Please meet at Immaculate Heart at 9.30am. Peter Weighill will lead a 6 mile walk from Stannington, taking in Bellasis Bridge and the Cheese Farm. If you require more information please contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

PRAYERS & CONGRATULATIONS

Prayers and Congratulations to Rachele Willis & Stuart Murray who will be married at 1pm on 23rd April at St Edward's Church.

MILL HILL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Spring edition of Mission Today is now available for Members to pick up at either St. Edwards or Immaculate Heart.

WALK WITH ME

The Eastertide edition of Walk with Me (An Eastertide Journey of Prayer for 2022) is now available at the back of each church, priced at £1 per copy.

SVP APPEAL

A Mother and her three children who are parishioners urgently require to rent a three bedroomed property, preferably in the catchment area of Whitley Bay High School, on a long-term basis before the end of May. If anyone is able to assist please contact Bill Crumbley (2519901) or Pat Shinn (2529915).

SUNDAY 24 APRIL (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Next Sunday there will be a special collection for The Northern Brethren Fund for Sick & Retired Priests.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Gift Aid Envelopes for the current year are at the back of St Edward's and Immaculate Heart Churches. Envelopes for St Edmund's parishioners are in the Narthex at St Edward's Church. If you have a problem locating your envelopes or any questions, please contact Michael on 0191 6704364.

DONATIONS

A big thank you for all your generous donations, which are greatly appreciated. Should you wish to transfer to standing order or bank transfer, the Parish bank details are:

Name: Our Lady Star of the Sea **Bank:** HSBC

Sort Code 40-34-45 **Account Number** 21157523.

If you wish to remember the Parish in your Will, further information is available from the Parish Office.

OTHER NOTICES

ENCOUNTERING THE SON

The Vicariate for Faith and Mission has now produced the 'Encountering the Son' booklet, which is the second of a series of three booklets to accompany the Year of the Eucharist and Our Diocesan Synodal reflection. The booklet is available on the Diocesan website

<https://diocesehn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Year-of-the-Eucharist-Encountering-the-Son-reflection-booklet.pdf>. As we journey through this Lenten season, we hope that this booklet will help all the faithful of our diocese to deepen their personal relationship to our Lord, so they can more closely follow his example and teachings as active members of our universal Church family and in communion with all our brothers and sisters in Christ.

ST CUTHBERT'S PRESBYTERY, NORTH SHIELDS

Tyneside Welcomes is an organisation which helps families displaced by conflict set up life in a new place. *Tyneside Welcomes* is delighted to know that the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has supported the Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields, in making the St Cuthbert's Presbytery available to resettle a refugee family from Syria or Afghanistan under the Government's Community Sponsorship Scheme. We are now working to get all of our processes in place to support the family when they arrive. Our formal application goes in very soon so it is a very exciting time, and we expect a family to be with us July/August, all being well. This is a big job and we hope for more volunteers to help. If you are thinking about volunteering please speak to Vin Totton and *Tyneside Welcomes* will do their best to answer your questions. Vin can be contacted on vintotton@btinternet.com.

LITURGY COURSES

The Diocesan Liturgy Team will be running the following courses in April and May: Welcomers' Course, New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Course and a Sacristans' Course. If you wish to find out more information about these courses and how to register for them, please contact the Faith & Mission admin team: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

POVERTY CHALLENGE: SEE, JUDGE, ACT

Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (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 engage with it. Download it from www.csan.org.uk.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Property Surveyor - Full-time, fixed term contract for 2 years. Flexible working is available. Closing date for applications: 28 April 2022.

Hexham, St Mary

Parish Secretary - 20 hours a week

Cleaner - 14 hours a week

Closing date for applications: 4 May 2022.

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 2433301.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwardsne26@btconnect.com	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntl.org.uk	0191 6432080
Cluster Website	www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk	

A comprehensive Parish Directory is held in the Parish Office. The directory contains names and contact numbers for those responsible for various groups and activities in our Parish. Telephone the number below if you have an enquiry.

Current Parish Office opening hours: Wednesday & Thursday, 9.15am - 4pm and Friday 9.15am - 2pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.
For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - email parishofficeolss@btconnect.com or telephone 0191 2527066.
Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 3.00pm on Wednesday.

MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	CHURCH
Saturday 16th April HOLY SATURDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 8.00pm Easter Vigil Joan Weighill (PW)
Sunday 17th April EASTER SUNDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 18th April	No Mass
Tuesday 19th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Wednesday 20th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 12.30pm Funeral Service Thomas Kirk Reid
Thursday 21st April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH No Mass
Friday 22nd April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Saturday 23rd April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 24th April 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Kitty Liszka (MR)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 23rd April 11am (Deacon Terry)	Charlotte Meabh Yeoman
Sunday 1st May 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Daisy Jean Nash

Please remember in your prayers:

David Johnson, Ann Stroud, Eileen Scott, Win Foley, Sarah Walton and Jeff Blakey who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially Fr Harry Ryan, Robert Ramsay, Teresa Stark, Thomas Kirk Reid and Hazel Middleton. May they rest in peace. Amen.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our lord, **(at the words that follow, all bow.)** *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,* suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Loving God,
we pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom
to guide their choices.
We pray for the world, that in this crisis
may we reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice become real
for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. (CAFOD)

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

Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

We say the Psalm together

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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