

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, YEAR C, 9TH & 10TH APRIL 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN WITH YOU AND DISPOSE OF IT OUTSIDE THE CHURCH

The Cycle of Prayer

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Every journey reaches a point where a decision on the way forward is made. Up to this time St Luke has been writing about the Kingdom, now he turns his attention to the point where the Gospel ends and the Acts of the Apostles begins; the spread of the Good News to the ends of the earth. There has been an air of tragedy about the Journey because Jesus' death has been constantly in mind. When he enters Jerusalem, he weeps over its refusal to accept him. We are entering our most Holy Week of the year and are encouraged to follow the path made by Jesus and to acknowledge the enormous sacrifice he made for our salvation.

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 was admitted into North Tyneside Hospital on 8 April for ankle replacement surgery. He will convalesce for the following 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.

HOLY PLACES

A second collection will be taken this weekend for the Catholic Community in the Holy Land.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

A few parishioners are coming together to read and reflect on Lenten readings. This takes place 2 - 3pm each Wednesday. If you would like to join us please come along to St Edward's Parish Rooms in the Presbytery, 1 Coquet Avenue, Whitley Bay.

THANKS FROM CAFOD

"Thank you to everyone at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish for your donation of £1,653 to our Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, which we received recently. Your parish's prayers and collective gift to help our Ukrainian sisters and brothers is so appreciated. Thank you especially for your efforts in organising a collection; for being a bridge between your community and our Ukrainian sisters and brothers."

FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food bank through donations of food or money. This week we ask for Savoury snacks -crisps etc., Tinned pies, Tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni and Washing up liquid. We would also be grateful for Easter eggs. There will be no food bank collection at Immaculate Heart on Easter Monday. Normal service will be resumed the following Monday. Thank you.

USED STAMPS

Mary Davis has very kindly agreed to co-ordinate the collection of used stamps and will pass them on to a friend who collects them in aid of St Oswald's Hospice. If you have any used stamps and would like them to go to a good cause, please leave them at the back of Immaculate Heart Church in an envelope and they will be passed on. Thank you.

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.

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.

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).

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.

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

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 vinotton@btinternet.com.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS BOOKLET

As Christians, we have a hope that shines along every rough road. We trust that this year's booklet will foster prayerful reflection on the Scriptures' relevance to our daily Christian living as we look forward to Easter. The reflections have been written by clergy, religious and lay people to express the richness and variety of our diocesan community. The dedicated Lenten reflection page on the diocesan website is: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/living-the-faith/liturgy-prayer/#seasonal>

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.

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.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwardsne26@btconnect.com	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntlp.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 9th April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm Brenda Bewick (PO)
Sunday 10th April PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 11th April	No Mass
Tuesday 12th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.00am Exposition 9.30am Mass - Sophie Taylor (J, D & CJ)
Wednesday 13th April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.00am Exposition 9.30am Mass - Michael Wilson (Wilson Family)
Thursday 14th April HOLY THURSDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Jim Faley (AF)
Friday 15th April GOOD FRIDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
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

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 Florence Palmejar, Dorothy Noble, Maria Quinn, Kathleen Myers, Maureen Barrett, Fr Harry Ryan, Robert Ramsay & Teresa Stark. 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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Opening Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two disciples, saying, 'Go into the village opposite, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you shall say this, "The Lord has need of it."' So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' And they said, 'The Lord has need of it.' And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!' And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, 'Teacher, rebuke your disciples.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.'

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

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

We say the Psalm together

1. All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.'
2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet
I can count every one of my bones.
3. They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me!
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel

Luke 22:14-23:56

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.