

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C, 14TH & 15TH MAY 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

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

The Cycle of Prayer:

Eastertide

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

As soon as Judas departs, the die is cast and there is no going back from a process that leads to Jesus' arrest, trial and execution. So Jesus turns to his friends and gives them his final words. You can sense the love he has for his disciples, whilst at the same time, his absolute resolve to carry out the Father's will. After all that is to happen, and it will be hard for them to see it, he commands them to love one another and then they will experience a new heaven and a new earth. This vision of heaven that God gives us from the Book of the Apocalypse is an indication that he understands our suffering in this life. In Eastertide we are celebrating Christ's triumph over death and we look forward to the eternal happiness that is promised to those who endure, and stay with him.

Deacon Terry

MONSIGNOR ANDREW FALEY

Monsignor Andrew is recovering well following his ankle replacement and continues to convalesce for the next few weeks. However, he will celebrate the 10.00am Sunday Mass this weekend and Sunday Masses from now on, but is not returning to full duties for some time. Thanks to Fr Noel Colahan for celebrating the Masses. 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 continuing prayers.

PARISH COVID CONTROLS

If you show any COVID symptoms, please stay at home and isolate. Please sanitise hands when entering and exiting the church. You are asked to wear a face covering. 1-metre social distancing continues between households. Church meeting spaces have re-opened at Immaculate Heart and St Edward's Churches. Access/egress to St Edward's Church is via the Narthex and Coquet Avenue.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2022

We look forward to welcoming the children to St Edwards Church for the second session of the Sacramental Programme on Monday 16th May, from 5pm. We are grateful for your prayers as they continue on this stage of their journey in faith.'

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 lifeline. This week we ask for Tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew, Jam/savoury spread, Hot Dogs and Tinned custard. Thank you.

CAFOD THANKS

"Thank you to all parishioners at Our Lady Star of the Sea for your generous support for CAFOD this year. In total you have raised £3,056.12 for our Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. On behalf of the families you are reaching out to with kindness and compassion, thank you."

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR COLLECTION

Last weekend's collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor raised £452.02, a very good sum. Thank you to everyone who donated.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will take place on Wednesday 18th May. Jim Gunning will lead a 6.5 mile walk from Bolam Lake via Shaftoe Crag and the Devil's Punchbowl. It's an easy walk on good paths with great views. Meet at Immaculate Heart Church car park at 9.30am for shared transport. Contact Jim on 07538327784 if you require further information.

PARISH SUMMER BERRIES AFTERNOON

We would like to invite you to come along to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for a Parish celebration on Thursday 26th May from 2pm for a cup of tea or coffee, a good natter and a Summer berry treat! Join us for strawberry cake, shortbread or scone, with all proceeds split between the Disasters Emergency Committee and the Bay Foodbank. Hope to see you there!

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.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST REFLECTIONS

Following the Lenten Reflections, a small group of parishioners are now reflecting on the second booklet, 'Encountering the Son'. We meet at St Edward's Church meeting rooms every Wednesday, from 2 - 3pm. All are welcome.

OTHER NOTICES

LAUDATO SI WEEK

Pope Francis invites Catholic communities around the world to participate in Laudato Si' Week 2022 from May 22-29. The weeklong global event will mark the seventh anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on creation care and unite the world's 1.3 billion Catholics to listen and respond to the cry of God's creation. We will celebrate Laudato Si Week in our Diocese with a Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, at 7.00pm on Monday, 23 May. Bishop Robert will preside and Fr Chris Hughes will preach on hearing the cry of the poor and the earth. Music will be provided by pupils from Sacred Heart High School, Fenham. Everyone is welcome to attend this special Mass focusing on creation care.

WHITLEY BAY FIESTA - ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Sunday 5th June (Jubilee Bank Holiday Weekend) Can you give some time to help with the Fiesta on Sunday 5th June? There are lots of opportunities to help - setting up, stewarding during the event, and packing away at the end of the Fiesta. This is a great opportunity for you to be involved in this wonderful community event. For more information please contact: **Andrew Foster** (andrew.foster@wbbc.org.uk or **07837 737712**).

COULD YOU BE A PRAYER CO-ORDINATOR FOR STREET PASTORS?

The work of Street Pastors is undergirded by prayer. It is essential. Prayer Pastors pray while Street Pastor teams are on patrol. Whitley Bay Street Pastors are looking for a committed Christian to fill this voluntary role of leading the Prayer Pastor team. If you would like more information, please contact Chris Lincoln on 07549 015 896 or whitleybay@streetpastors.org.uk by 31st May 2022.

TYNESIDE CIRCLE OF THE NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

The Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association is restarting after the pandemic closure in the church hall of St. Cuthbert's, North Shields. Our first meeting at the new venue will be on Wednesday 25th May at 7.30pm for a talk by Father Chris Hughes entitled "Can Theology Be Practical? Encouraging Reflective Discipleship". All welcome.

WHITLEY BAY & DISTRICT CHURCHES+TOGETHER

The initial three Sunday Fiesta festivals in Whitley Bay town centre have been a huge success, with crowds enjoying the stalls, children's games and art opportunities, crafts, refreshments, etc. In order to put on further Fiestas, we have been invited to apply for community funding from the North of Tyne Authority that will cover the running costs for the next 2 years, but we have to demonstrate the community is behind us through crowd funding.

We need your help to do this. Deadline 5th June.

If you can provide a donation, no matter how small, please click on the 'Spacehive' link below, which will take you to our project 'Sustain Fiesta Whitley Bay'. Click on the box 'Back this Project' follow the instructions on screen and make a donation to help us to reach our target. It is a simple and secure process that takes a few minutes- the instructions will appear on screen. Every penny you donate will help to make certain that Fiesta is here to stay. You can also 'Like' our project. Thank you, because Fiesta wouldn't happen without your involvement and support.

<https://www.spacehive.com/fiestawb>

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).

HOLY ISLAND CHILDREN'S SVP CAMP

are seeking volunteers - helping in the kitchens, preparing food, washing up and cleaning etc - to help this summer. If interested please visit: <https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island/about-camp>

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Hexham, St Mary

Parish Secretary – 20 hours a week. Closing date for applications: 18 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@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 14th May ST MATTHIAS	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 15th May 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Michael Wilson (Wilson Family)
Monday 16th May	No Mass
Tuesday 17th May	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Wednesday 18th May ST JOHN	No Mass
Thursday 19th May ST DUNSTAN	No Mass
Friday 20th May ST BERNADINE OF SIENA	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Saturday 21st May	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 22nd May 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am A Sick Daughter (LH)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 15th May 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Lincoln Christopher Dance
Sunday 22nd May 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Teddy Williamson

Please remember in your prayers:

David Johnson, Ann Stroud, Eileen Scott, Louise Coulthard, Win Foley, Sarah Walton and Catherine Kimmitt who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently, especially Teresa Stark, Thomas Kirk Reid, Hazel Middleton, Jeff Blakey and Margaret Duffy. 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

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 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 144(145):8-13a

We say the Psalm together

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.
2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your reign.
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age.

Second Reading

Apocalypse 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 13:31-33,34-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. 'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

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