TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

Parish of

OUR LADY & ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS

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St Mary's Church Hall Bookings - Currently Closed

St Oswin's Meeting Room Bookings

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6th Sunday of Easter Year C - 22nd May 2022

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	22 nd	6 th Sunday of Easter	St O	9.30am	Pat Murray (GM)	Acts 15: 1-29, Apoc 21: 10-23
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	John 14: 23-29
Mon	23 rd	Weekday of Easter	St M	10.00am	Fred Rogers (MF)	Acts 16:11-15, John 15: 26-16: 4
Tue	24 th	Weekday of Easter			No Public Service	
Wed	25 th	St Bede the Venerable	St O	10.00am	Harry Bain	Ecc 39:P 6-10, Matt 5: 13-16
Thu	26 th	Ascension Day	St M	10.00am	Barbara Hunter	Acts 1: 1-11, Eph 1: 17-23
			St O	7.00pm	Larry Laggan (LL)	Luke 24: 46-53
Fri	27 th	St Augustine	St M	10.00am	Requiem Mass: Joe O'Kane	
Sat	28 th	Weekday of Easter			No Public Service	
Sun	29 th	7 th Sunday of Easter	St O	9.30am	Marcia O'Callaghan (b'day)	Acts 7: 55-60, Apoc 22: 12-20
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	John 17: 20-26

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Available each Saturday 10.00am - 10.15am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St Mary's St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in May: Clare Nelson, Mary Shippen, Luke Goodwin, Paul Mazzucchi, Eileen Whalen, Sarah Walton, Bob Devlin, Betty Briggs, Lisa Stimpson, David T, GR, Steve Bociek, Margaret Kearney, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Pat Haddon, Susan Essenhigh, Maureen Ruddick, Sheila Boyle.

Anniversaries: Mary Maguire, John Sproule, Elsie Wall, Terry Robinson, Margaret Charlton, Teresa Rogers, Paddy Costar, Canon Howe (2nd PP), Joe Dunn.

We pray for Joe O'Kane who died recently. A Requiem Mass for Joe will take place on Friday 27th May 10.00am at St Mary's. He will be received into church on Thursday 26th at 4.00pm. May he rest in peace.

We Celebrate the Feast of the Ascension on Thursday. There will be two Masses this day, 10.00am at St Mary's and 7.00pm at St Oswin's.

Congratulations to all our children in school Year 4 who recently celebrated their First Holy Communions.

The Sacrament of Confirmation for the partnership will be celebrated at St Cuthbert's North Shields on Tues 19th July at 7.00pm by Bishop Robert. We remember to pray for all our young people.

Retiring Collections: The collection for the sick and retired priests raised £482.40 and the collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor raised £338.70. Thank you for your generosity.

Plant Sale on May 29th: There will be a plant sale next Sunday after 11am Mass at St Mary's.

Current Diocesan Guidelines Only Recommend that people visiting Church for services sanitise their hands, wear face-covering and that the church should be ventilated. You must not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid-19. Please be sensitive towards those who still wish to follow social distancing.

> Congratulations and Welcome to SEBASTIAN MANUEL ROJO who was Baptised last weekend at St Oswin's

Diaconate Ordination: Gareth Rowe has been training for the permanent diaconate for some time now. He will be ordained a permanent deacon at 11.00am on Sat 2nd July at St Joseph's, Hartlepool. We keep him in our prayers.

The Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association is meeting in the church hall of St.Cuthbert's, North Shields on Wed 25th May at 7.30pm for a talk by Father Chris Hughes entitled "Can Theology Be Practical? Encouraging Reflective Discipleship". All welcome.

APF Red Mission Boxes: In 2021 our parish raised £749.06 from your donations. Many thanks for your generosity. Next collection is now due. Please either leave your Red Boxes at back of Church or give to your collector.

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, in Baptism you called us by name and made us members of your family, the Church. Help all your people to know their vocation in life, and to respond by living a life of holiness. For your greater glory and for the service of your people, raise up dedicated and generous men who will serve as priests for the Church of Hexham and Newcastle. Send your Spirit to guide and strengthen our communities, our seminarians and all who are discerning their vocation. Amen

First Reading Acts 15:1-2.22-29

Here the early Church resolves the issue of how much of the old traditions should be imposed on new converts.

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 66

Response: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

- O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth. and all nations learn your saving help.
- Let the peoples praise you, O God let all the peoples praise you.
 May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.
- Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.
 With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Second Reading Apocalypse 21:10-14.22-23

We are given a majestic picture of the heavenly Church when God's Kingdom will come in all its glory.

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus said: 'if anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading John 14:23-29

Here Jesus' shares his thoughts about his imminent departure.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

What difference has it made when you made a decision in accord with Jesus' teachings?