

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C, 28TH & 29TH MAY 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

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

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

Jesus' farewell words at the last supper includes a prayer for us. He looks towards heaven and prays for the millions who will believe in him right until the end of time. What a truly wonderful gift this is. It is so important his followers are to remain one, because if we are not united, then our ability to witness to Jesus diminishes and we become ineffective. As Stephen dies he asks the Lord to receive his spirit just as Jesus commits his own spirit into his loving Father's hands in Luke's gospel (23:46). Despite the troubles in the world today, we can be assured that the Holy Spirit, given at our baptism, will help us through and prevail over anything that threatens us.

Deacon Terry

MONSIGNOR ANDREW FALEY

Monsignor Andrew is recovering well following his ankle replacement and will convalesce for the next few weeks. He will celebrate the Sunday Masses and return to full duties soon. Monsignor Andrew thanks you for your continuing prayers and support.

PARISH COVID CONTROLS

If you show COVID symptoms, please stay at home and isolate. Please sanitise your hands when entering and exiting the church. Please 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.

SUNDAY OBLIGATION

The Bishops of England and Wales have resolved that, from Pentecost Sunday, 5 June 2022, the Sunday Mass obligation is no longer impeded. The Bishops stress that those who still do not feel safe enough to return to Mass should not do so. All other Catholics are subject to the precept to attend Mass in person on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation. Live streaming of Masses has been a great benefit to many during the pandemic, and will continue to be for those genuinely unable to attend Mass. The Bishops remind us, however, that watching a live streamed Mass does not fulfil the obligation. The full resolution of the Bishops' Conference can be read on the diocesan website.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

This Sunday is World Communications day and a special collection will be taken. Next Sunday (5th June) a collection will be taken for the diocesan Lay Training Fund.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2022

We look forward to welcoming the children to St Edward's Church for the fourth session of the Sacramental Programme on Monday 6th June, from 5.00pm. We are grateful for your prayers as the children continue this stage of their journey in faith with Jesus Our Lord.

COMPLINE

Compline will resume after a long absence at the end of the Journey in Faith session at Immaculate Heart Church on 7th June at 8.00pm. After that, it will continue at St. Edward's Church on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm. If you have not prayed Compline, why not come along? It is a very prayerful and peaceful time at the end of the day.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST REFLECTIONS

During Easter time a group of parishioners are reflecting on the second diocesan booklet, 'Encountering the Son'. We meet in St Edward's meeting rooms every Wednesday, from 2.00 - 3.00pm. All are welcome.

PARISH BULLETIN SICK LIST

It is important that the parish sick list on the bulletin is kept up to date. The person whose name appears must agree for it to be included. The person who asks for the name to be added must also give the Parish Office a regular update about the sick person's condition, and make sure that the name is removed when appropriate.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Thursday 9th June. Please meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary church at 9.30am for an 8 mile walk along North Tyneside Waggonways in flat and easy terrain. Lunch will be at the duck pond behind the Village Hotel which is currently populated with many varieties of breeding water fowl. For further information please contact David Armstrong on 07982 000853.

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 - Spam etc., tinned rice pudding, tinned or packet potatoes, and baby food in tins, packets or jars. Thank you.

WATER AID

The well has been reinstated at St Edward's should you wish to donate to Water Aid.

OTHER NOTICES

PARTNERSHIP CONFIRMATIONS

The Sacrament of Confirmation for the young people of our Partnership Parishes will be celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne at St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields, on 19 July at 7.00pm. We pray for our young people in their preparation and thank the catechists who support them.

WHITLEY BAY FIESTA - ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Sunday 5th June (Jubilee Bank Holiday Weekend) Can you give some time to help with the Fiesta? 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 to be involved in this community event. For more information please contact: **Andrew Foster** (andrew.foster@wbbc.org.uk or 07837 737712).

The initial three Sunday Fiesta festivals have been a huge success. In order to run further Fiestas, we have been invited to apply for community funding from the North of Tyne Authority to cover 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 make a donation, please click on the 'Spacehive' link below, which will take you to our project 'Sustain Fiesta Whitley Bay'. Click 'Back this Project' and follow the instructions to make a donation. Every penny will help make Fiesta here to stay. You can also 'Like' our project. Thank you. <https://www.spacehive.com/fiestawb>

STELLA MARIS PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY ISLAND

Stella Maris is holding a Day of Prayer & Pilgrimage on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on Saturday 4th June 2022, led by the Rt Rev Paul Mason, Stella Maris Bishop Promoter for England & Wales. The Pilgrimage starts at 12 noon. All are invited. For further information contact Regional Port Chaplains Paul Atkinson (07906 212426) or Peter Barrigan (07713 924504).

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

FEAST OF ST. THOMAS MORE – ACADEMY CELEBRATION

You are warmly invited to join us for Mass at Our Lady & St. Columba Church, Wallsend to celebrate the life and work of our school community. The Mass will take place at 6:30pm on Thursday, 23rd June 2022 and will be a wonderful opportunity to regather following the last two years and for you to meet students to find out how they respond to God's call to "Live life to the full!" (John 10:10). The Mass will be followed with food and celebration - fun for the whole family... all are invited!

BISHOP SEAMUS CUNNINGHAM – 80TH BIRTHDAY

Bishop Robert invites you to a Mass to mark the 80th Birthday of Emeritus Bishop Seamus Cunningham on Thursday, 30 June 2022 at 12.05pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. All are most welcome to attend.

CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY – STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2022

Are you currently involved in Church ministry but wish you knew more about your faith? Do you sometimes lack confidence and feel you could benefit from further training and formation? Do you want to grow in your faith and ministry and perhaps find new ways to share your gifts with others? We have a course designed just for you. The Certificate in Pastoral Ministry is an online, two-year learning experience created with the busy person in mind. It will take you on a journey of discovery about key aspects of the Catholic faith while helping you to reflect upon your own ministry and the ministry of others. To find out more join us online for one of our information evenings: Tuesday 14th June 2022 or Wednesday 22nd June 2022 from 7:30pm - 9:00pm. To register your interest for one of the information evenings, or for further information please email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Property Surveyor - full-time. Fixed term contract - 2 years. Flexible working is available. Closing date for applications: 1 June 2022.

IT Project Manager - full-time. Fixed term contract - 12 months. Closing date for applications: 2 June 2022.

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

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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| 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 | |
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| DAY & DATE | CHURCH |
| Saturday 28th May | IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm Harry Purdy (JP) |
| Sunday 29th May 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish |
| Monday 30th May | No Mass |
| Tuesday 31st May THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion |
| Wednesday 1st June ST JUSTIN | No Mass |
| Thursday 2nd June | No Mass |
| Friday 3rd June ST CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS | IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion |
| Saturday 4th June | IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6pm People of the Parish |
| Sunday 5th June PENTECOST SUNDAY | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Judy Ashton (LA) |

| BAPTISM | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH |
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| Saturday 28th May 11am (Deacon Terry) | Leonardo Masucci |
| Friday 3rd June 11am (Deacon Terry) | Caleb Michael Birkett & Lailah Rae Birkett |
| Saturday 4th June 11am (Deacon Terry) | Lorenzo Eashan D'Oca |
| Sunday 5th June 11.30am (Father Andrew) | Liliana Elisa De-Meo |

Please remember in your prayers:

Ann Stroud, Louise Coulthard, Win Foley, Sarah Walton and Catherine Kimmitt who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Hazel Middleton, Jeff Blakey, Margaret Duffy and Fr Joseph Park. 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
7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C, 28TH & 29TH MAY 2022

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at God's right hand. 'I can see heaven thrown open' he said 'and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' At this all the members of the council shouted out and stopped their ears with their hands; then they all rushed at him, sent him out of the city and stoned him. The witnesses put down their clothes at the feet of a young man called Saul. As they were stoning him, Stephen said in invocation, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and said aloud, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them'; and with these words he fell asleep.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 96(97):1-2b,6-7,9

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, the many coastlands be glad. His throne is justice and right. | 2. The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. All you spirits, worship him. |
| 3. For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth, exalted far above all spirits. | |

Second Reading

Apocalypse 22:12-14,16-17,20

I, John, heard a voice speaking to me: 'Very soon now, I shall be with you again, bringing the reward to be given to every man according to what he deserves. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Happy are those who will have washed their robes clean, so that they will have the right to feed on the tree of life and can come through the gates into the city.' I, Jesus, have sent my angel to make these revelations to you for the sake of the churches. I am of David's line, the root of David and the bright star of the morning. The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' Let everyone who listens answer, 'Come.' Then let all who are thirsty come: all who want it may have the water of life, and have it free. The one who guarantees these revelations repeats his promise: I shall indeed be with you soon. Amen; come, Lord Jesus.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 17:20-26

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, I pray not only for these, but for those also who through their words will believe in me. May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me. I have given them the glory you gave to me, that they may be one as we are one. With me in them and you in me, may they be so completely one that the world will realise that it was you who sent me and that I have loved them as much as you loved me. Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you, but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known, so that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and so that I may be in them.'

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