

MASS READINGS

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)

FIRST READING

Lean see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God

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.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.

Psalm 96

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

SECOND READING

Come Lord Jesus

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. Amen; come, Lord Jesus.

ALLELUIA

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

May they be completely one

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 so that the love with which you loved me may be in them and so that I may be in them.

The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.

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28th/29th May 2022 – 7th Sunday of Easter – C

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 28th May		5:30pm: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey
Sunday 29th May 7th Sunday of Easter - C	11:00am: Mass People of the Parish Live streamed	
Monday 30th May	No Mass	
Tuesday 31st May	9:30am: Mass: Herbert & Florence Redpath & family	
Wednesday 1st June	9:30am: Mass: Margaret & David Howells	
Thursday 2nd June	No Mass	
Friday 3rd June		7:00pm: Mass: Fr Michael Hickey
Saturday 4th June		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish
Sunday 5th June Pentecost Sunday - C	11:00am: Mass Intentions of the Liudvika Family Live streamed	

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp group: text your name & number to 07752009361 to be added to **StCuthStJosNshields** Group

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

Website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

Parish office: 0191 257 3408

Prayer List

Prayer Intentions for Easter: New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of Media, the Church, Peace, Human Work.

We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann, Gary James, Gerry Thirsk, Tom Wright, Mary Wood, Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Barbara & Tony Hicks 'Baby Stevie Dawn Roadment', Jim Campbell, Richard Sutherland, Irene Keenaghan, Eileen Stevens, Paula More, Tony Cocalis, Mary Quinn and Eleanor Robson.

Please pray for Michael Rourke and Colm Morgan and all those who have died recently, and also for all those whose anniversaries are at this time.

The reintroduction of Masses of Obligation

At the recent meeting of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales, the Bishops have decided to reintroduce the duty of Obligation to Masses on Sunday and the small number of Holydays during the Year. The obligation does not apply if you are ill or your health is at risk. This will be begin on Pentecost Sunday June 5th.

Diocesan Submission to the Universal Synod.

The diocese has published its submission to the Universal Synod. It can be found at: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/news/diocesan-submission-to-universal-synod/>. I will be reading part of this to you this weekend.

World Communications Day

This Sunday is World Communication Sunday. The theme is 'Listening with the ear of the heart'

In his letter for today Pope Francis says

'In the Church, too, there is a great need to listen to and to hear one another. It is the most precious and life-giving gift we can offer each other. "Christians have forgotten that the ministry of listening has been committed to them by him who is himself the great listener and whose work they should share. We should listen with the ears of God that we may speak the word of God". Thus, the Protestant theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer reminds us that the first service we owe to others in communion consists in listening to them. Whoever does not know how to listen to his brother or sister will soon no longer be able to listen to God either.

There will be a retiring collection for the Bishops' Conference Media Office.

Wedding

On Saturday 4th June at St Joseph's, the wedding of Benjamin Batubenga and Helen Uren at 2pm. We pray for Benjamin and Helen as they prepare to share into the Sacrament of Marriage

First Holy Communions

This year we will have two First Holy Communion Masses. The first will be at St Cuthbert's on Saturday June 11th at 10.00am. The second will be on Saturday 25th June at St Joseph's at 10.00am.

We pray for all our candidates for First Holy Communions

Bishop Seamus Cunningham

Bishop Robert would like to invite you to a Mass to mark the 80th birthday of Bishop Seamus. This will be on Thursday 30th June 2022 at 12.05 pm at St Mary's Cathedral. All are most welcome to attend.

Memorial Mass for Fr Michael Hickey

On the second anniversary of Fr Michael's death, 1st July at 1pm there is going to be a memorial Mass for Fr Michael Hickey at St Cuthbert's. There will be a reception afterwards at the local Catholic club. Fr Michael's sister, Sr Mary and his brother John, will also be there, as well as friends and parishioners from other parishes that Fr Michael served in. All are welcome

Confirmations

Bishop Robert will be confirming over 30 candidates from the Partnership at St Cuthbert's on Tuesday 19th July at 7.00pm. Please pray for our candidates as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

Live Simply Tip

Living Simply is based on the following three strands:

- living simply
- living in solidarity with people in poverty
- living sustainably with creation.

Help to reduce plastic waste by taking your containers to a zero-waste shop for refill. Some local ones are Buy the Kilo in Tynemouth Station and Nil Living in the Grainger Market

Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

- Property Surveyor – full-time, fixed term contract – 2 years. Flexible working is available. Closing date for applications: 1st June 2022
- IT Project Manager – full-time. Fixed term contract – 12 months. Closing date for applications: 2nd June 2022

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301.

Keyholders

For diocesan health and safety policies we need an up-to-date list of key holders. Please e-mail me or give me a written note if you are key holder for either St Cuthbert's or St Joseph's. Also if you do not need keys belonging to the Church please return to Fr Chris.

Tyne and Wear Citizens Training June 25th-26th

If you would like to learn more about what Community Organising involves free training will be available at a weekend course on June 25th -26th at the Recovery College Collective (Re-Co Co), 1 Carlilol Square, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6UF. Since the parish is a member of Tyne and Wear Citizens any parishioner is entitled to take part for free. If interested please let Fr Chris know or contact Claire Rodgerson at: Claire.Rodgerson@CitizensUK.org

Supporting Mental Health

Interested in emotional and mental wellbeing and a good listener? PeerTalk is looking for volunteer facilitators for a new peer support group for people living with anxiety / depression in North Shields. Training Day is on Sat 2nd July, 10am-4pm in Newcastle (travel costs reimbursed). More details at www.peertalk.org.uk/volunteer-with-us or contact enquiries@peertalk.org.uk Closing date for applications is 21st June.

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Feedback from Parish Council.

At our meeting of the Parish Council on May 17th we discussed how parish life can be developed now that there are no longer any covid restrictions. The following was agreed.

- A ministry of welcome was an important part of parish life. Therefore, please let Fr Chris know if you would be willing to be part of this important ministry.
- Having teas and coffees after Mass. First of all, having tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass on a Wednesday and then re-starting teas and coffees after the 11am Sunday Mass in September. Please let Fr Chris know if you would like to help with this.
- Children's Liturgy to be re-started in September but new catechists will be needed. Please let Fr Chris know if you would be willing to take on this role.

Pentecost Sunday

This year Pentecost Sunday will be June 5th. The Liturgy and Formation group thought it would be a good to acknowledge and celebrate the many nations and cultures represented in our parish. So at 4pm on Pentecost Sunday we will have a vigil and Holy Hour using the readings that the Church gives for the Pentecost Vigil. This will be read in different languages with the English translation in a booklet. After the service we will have a social in the hall. We hope that you will bring food to share from your own country or culture. My thanks to Pauline Hughes who is willing to co-ordinate social side. If you would like to share some food for the event please sign up on the list at the back of Church. Pauline Hughes can be contacted at: paulinepoethughes@gmail.com.

Rosary group

When two or three are gathered in my name..."All welcome to join a small group of parishioners praying the Rosary each week over Zoom. Day: Thursday - Time: 7:30pm For more information contact Nestah Masiwa at: nehmasiwa@yahoo.com or Ruth Corless on 07752009361

Charity Shop

It is a sign of the times that use of our local Charity shop is increasing. Due to increased demand more volunteers are needed on a Thursday morning. Please let Fr Chris know if you are interested.

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN)

Poverty Challenge: See, Judge, Act- Following the pandemic many households now face new hardships as prices rise. 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 encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. The booklet can be downloaded from: www.csan.org.uk

Northern Cross

Paper copies of the Diocesan Newspaper are now available at the back of church. Cost is £1.50

Call Out for First Aiders

My thanks to those who have told me that they have been trained as First Aider. Since most of you have kindly told me after Mass, it is not a good time for my memory. So if you are trained as a First Aider please give me a short note or e-mail on the parish e-mail addresses

Defibrators for the parish

Thank-you to those who made helpful suggestions about resourcing these defibrators. We shall explore them.

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).

A Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God. We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders. We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness. We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ. Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine. And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son. Lord have mercy. Amen

(Prayer from the Methodist church)