

16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 16TH & 17TH JULY 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

The Cycle of Prayer:

Summer

We are asked to pray for these intentions: **a deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights; Europe; human life; seafarers.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

This week's readings are about hospitality. Abraham welcomes the three persons who come to visit him. They represent God and give him the message that, even though he is old, his family line will be fulfilled with the birth of a son – Isaac. Abraham believed his guests and today he is called our Father in Faith. When Jesus comes to visit Martha and Mary he refuses to criticise one who considers listening to his word more important than anything else. Jesus treats both sisters lovingly and accepts each person's gift in the way that they have offered it. The story has annoyed many a wife and partner. Jesus' stance is that we are all children of God, made in God's image, and though we have many things to do each day, completing them should not get in the way of our faith. We are called to love each other and offering hospitality to others is key to this.

Deacon Terry

PARISH COVID CONTROLS

Diocesan guidelines only recommend that people in Church 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 to those who socially distance.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS & PRAYERS

Congratulations to Anne Wilson and Lawrence Ashton who were married at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, on 16 July. We assure them of our prayers and pray for God's blessing on them both.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Andrew John Morton of Langdale, Whitley Bay, who died on 25 June aged 86 years. A Funeral Service will be celebrated at 10.30am on 19 July at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by burial in Whitley Bay Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie Louise Apostolopoulos of Barrasford Close, Ashington, who died on 20 June aged 76 years. A Funeral Service will be celebrated at 3.00pm on 8 August at Tynemouth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Teresa Tharakan formerly of Whitley Bay, who died on 8 July aged 71 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on 29 July at Immaculate Heart Church, Monkseaton, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Claydon of Whitley Bay who died peacefully at home on 12 July aged 84 years. Funeral arrangements are yet to be confirmed. May he rest in peace. Amen.

PARTNERSHIP CONFIRMATIONS

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a meeting for Parish Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion after the 9.30am Mass at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, on Wednesday, 20 July 2022. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the ministry after the Pandemic, and to explore how it might further meet the needs of parishioners across the Parish.

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH, WHITLEY BAY – NARTHEX TOILETS

Over the past few months, discussion has been taking place with the Diocesan Property Department and the Historic Churches Committee to explore the possibility of increasing the number of toilets in the Narthex at St Edward's Church. We would all agree that the one toilet is inadequate and doesn't meet what is legally required under the UK Equality Act. It is also embarrassing for visitors when there's only one toilet available. We want to upgrade to two toilets and the Narthex will accommodate the upgrade without any adverse impact on the use of the area. The stage has now been reached for public notice of the project and the notice is posted in St Edward's Narthex. Details of the application can be inspected by visiting <https://www.catholic-historic-churches.org.uk/applications/hexham-newcastle-1013>. Any representations relating to this proposal must be submitted within 28 days of the date of the notice (6 July 2022), quoting the application reference number #1013 to: Professor J Murray, Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle Historic Churches Committee – email: property@diocesehn.org.uk.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST REFLECTIONS

A group of parishioners meets for prayer and reflection in St Edward's meeting rooms every Wednesday, from 2.00pm - 3.00pm and for the next five weeks we will be reflecting on 'Encountering the Holy Spirit'. The next meeting will be on 20 July. All are welcome.

STELLA MARIS (APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA)

Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Our parish raised the wonderful sum of £821.08. Your generous gift will ensure that Stella Maris Chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST EDMUND, BACKWORTH

Whilst the church is not being used, we continue to have an obligation to our insurers to ensure the safety and security of the premises. Lately, there have been occasions where entry has been gained, but the security system has not been set on exit. To counter this, the locks have been changed and anyone needing access should now contact the Parish office and obtain a key, which should be returned to the office after use.

FOOD BANK

As you can imagine, demand on our local food bank has increased dramatically over the past few weeks. As well as providing for more people, the food bank is receiving fewer donations as people tighten their own belts, and often runs out of the basics that keep people going. Please, if you can, continue your support of the vulnerable in our society. The need this week is for jam/savoury spread, tinned custard, baby food – tins/packets/jars etc. and soup. Thank you.

WALKING GROUP

The next Parish walk will be on Monday 1 August when Helen Young will lead a 5 mile route from Hartburn to Longwitton. Please meet at Immaculate Heart Church at 9.30am.

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

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association will take place on Wednesday 27 July at 7.30pm in the Church Hall at St. Cuthbert's Church in North Shields, when the Catholic historian Dr. Leo Gooch will talk on "The Rising of the Northern Earls". All are welcome.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR SUMMER FAYRE

The Little Sisters of the Poor are holding a Summer Fayre on Saturday 30 July, 1pm-4pm at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle. All are welcome.

ENCOUNTERING THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission has now produced the '*Encountering the Holy Spirit*' booklet, which is the third of a series of reflection booklets to accompany the Year of the Eucharist. The booklet is now available on the Diocesan website from the following link: <https://bit.ly/3R2gJRZ>.

LITURGICAL FORMATION AND DAYS OF REFLECTION

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission is pleased to share their Autumn calendar for Liturgical Formation and Days of Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. Please visit bit.ly/Liturgy2022 for further details or see the poster and information sheet on the parish notice board/website. Please book via the parish office. Further dates will be announced for other ministries.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) 2022-2023

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The CCRS programme is now available for 2022-2023 and a short presentation is shown on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/continuing-professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>

If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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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 16th July OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 17th July 16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Deceased members of the Fraser & Kimmitt families (JK)
Monday 18th July	No Mass
Tuesday 19th July	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.30am Funeral Service Andrew Morton
Wednesday 20th July ST APOLLINARIS	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am June Carroll & Kathleen Jones (LC)
Thursday 21st July ST LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Pat Rumney (GR)
Friday 22nd July ST MARY MAGDALENE	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Ros Welsh (AF)
Saturday 23rd July ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 24th July 17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Fred Sweeney (LL)
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 17th July 11.30am (Fr Andrew)	James Michael Parkin
Sunday 24th July 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Axel Lee Precht
Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Sarah Walton, Eileen Scott, Gerry Rafferty, Don Williams and Catherine Kimmitt who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Andrew Morton, Marie Louise Apostolopoulos, Teresa Tharakan, Fr Dermott Donnelly and John Claydon. May they rest in peace.	

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 or Father Sebastian on 01670 712476

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

Genesis 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 14(15):2-5

We say the Psalm together

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| <p>1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue.</p> <p>3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever.</p> | <p>2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord.</p> |
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Second Reading

Colossians 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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