

18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 30TH & 31ST 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

Vanity, or being too proud and having interest only in yourself, is pointless and not what Jesus does or how he lives. He advises us to use any wealth we have in our lives to please God, teaching that amassing possessions is not worth the effort and is a waste of time because we cannot take it with us. In fact, God calls people who think in this way fools! We have to view life in its wider context, that is; in this world and the next. This idea is very clearly stated in St Paul's letter where he says just forget about things in this life and look for the 'things in heaven where Christ is'. Jesus spends his whole life sharing his talents of forgiveness, love, energy and imagination. He calls on us to learn from him because the stories he tells ask us to do the same.

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.

PARTNERSHIP CONFIRMATIONS

Congratulations to our young people who were confirmed by Bishop Byrne at St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields, on 19 July. We pray for them and thank the catechists who support them.

FUNERALS

- 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 John Claydon of Whitley Bay who died peacefully at home on 12 July aged 84 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.30pm on 2 August at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST EDMUND, BACKWORTH

Whilst the church is closed, we continue to have an obligation to our insurers to ensure the safety and security of the premises. Lately, there have been occasions when entry has been gained, but the security system has not been set on exit. The locks have therefore been changed and anyone needing access should contact the Parish Office for a key, which is returned to the office after use.

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 we will be reflecting on 'Encountering the Holy Spirit'. The next meeting will be on 3 August. All are welcome.

FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food bank; your efforts are greatly appreciated. This week we need long life milk, meatballs, toothpaste/toothbrush and coffee. Thank you.

STELLA MARIS (APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA)

Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Your parish raised the wonderful sum of £900.08. This 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.

MISSIO - RED BOX DEPOSITS

A big thank you for the recent donations from Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, totalling £793.46. This money goes towards the Red Box and the work of Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you for all that you do to care for our Church family around the world. Stephen Davies, Red Box Director.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Following a meeting of those Extraordinary Ministers who visit the sick and housebound with Holy Communion, it was agreed that parishioners must inform the Parish Priest directly if any relative requires Holy Communion at home, and not to arrange visits with a lay minister until the Parish Priest has been contacted. Information about those receiving Holy Communion is only held in the Parish Office for as long as the arrangement lasts.

OTHER NOTICES

FROM THE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE GROUP

There will be Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Shotton Colliery at 11am on Wednesday 3 August - this is to mark when the Diocese would normally have been in Lourdes. All are welcome and you are invited to bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be served. After lunch, there will be Marian devotions at the church grotto.

HOLY ISLAND CHILDREN'S VINNIES CAMP 2022

There are still some places at this year's Holy Island Children's Camp, particularly in the last week of the School Summer Holiday. If you have a child/children in school years 5-7 who would like a week's residential holiday on Holy Island or you know of any children who would benefit from going to Camp this year please email christinej@svp.org.uk for further information.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR, NEWCASTLE

St Joseph's Home (LSP), Newcastle are still looking for volunteers to help throughout the Home (e.g. helping with residents' activities, administration duties, fundraising and other various duties). If you are interested and would like to help, please contact Sister Evelyn or Mother Deirdre at St Joseph's Home on 0191 2731279 for further details.

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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Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntl.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 30th July	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Jenny & Ted McIntosh (VD)
Sunday 31st July 18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 1st August ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI	No Mass
Tuesday 2nd August	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 12.30pm Requiem Mass John Claydon
Wednesday 3rd August ST OSWALD	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Kevin Gaughan (DS)
Thursday 4th August ST JOHN VIANNEY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Eric W Shinn (PS)
Friday 5th August	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Cecilia Robinson (RR)
Saturday 6th August THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Monica Whalen (PW)
Sunday 7th August 19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 31st July 11.30am (Father Andrew)	Tommy Lucca Hipkin-Procter
Sunday 7th August 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Myles Richard Francis
<p>Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Sarah Walton, Eileen Scott, Gerry Rafferty, Don Williams, Catherine Kimmitt and Kathryn Newton-Henderson who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Marie Louise Apostolopoulos, Teresa Tharakan, Fr Dermott Donnelly, John Claydon and Joseph Bell. May they rest in peace. Amen.</p>	

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

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89(90):3-6,12-14,17

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. You turn men back to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. | 2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. |
| 3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. | 4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. |

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

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