

**22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 27TH & 28TH AUGUST 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**

Humility is a standard many of us aspire to but few of us achieve. St Francis of Assisi had more of it than many but even he would have had his bad days. In today's gospel Jesus finds himself at a meal with one of the leading Pharisees. The other guests were watching him closely as they were looking for ways to catch him out, especially when those in charge of the community were present. It was an opportunity to gain brownie points. We have no need to promote ourselves falsely above others. We are what we are and our job is to live alongside others and treat everyone equally. When Jesus observed those at table were taking the best seats he deliberately made his way towards those there just to make up the numbers, those of no particular importance. Even God himself is humbled in the presence of man and associates himself with those less honoured.

**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.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from Tuesday 30 August to Friday 2 September in St Edward's and Immaculate Heart Churches. It will resume at 9.00am on Tuesday 6 September.

**SATURDAY MASS & CONFESSIONS**

There will be Saturday Morning Mass at 9.30am from 10 September at St Edward's Church, followed by Confessions, 10.00am – 10.30am in the Confessional beside the organ. Confessions are available at Immaculate Heart Church on Saturdays, 5.30pm – 5.50pm in the Ground Floor Meeting Room before the 6.00pm Sunday Vigil Mass. Confessions are also available by appointment by phoning St Edward's.

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS**

At Immaculate Heart of Mary Church we have some chairs with arms to help our older or frail parishioners to stand and sit more safely during Mass and other occasions. If you don't need this aid, please leave these chairs free for those who need them. If you need any help please see Chris Gunning or Deidre James at the back of the church. Thank you.

**EXAM CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations and prayers to our young people who received A-Level examination results last week and GCSE results this week. May God bless them in their choices and the way ahead.

**OUR LADY STAR OF SEA— CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

We are hoping to restart Children's Liturgy of the Word during the Autumn Term. Once our team is established, we will publish the details. Children aged 3 to 11 years will be welcome to celebrate the Word through sharing and activities. This is a very rewarding role and we would like to recruit more volunteers. If you would like to join, or know more about what is involved, please contact us via email using [1holychommunionolss@gmail.com](mailto:1holychommunionolss@gmail.com) giving your name and contact details. Many thanks.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023**

The First Holy Communion Mass for children of our parish attending Year 4 to 6 at Primary Schools in the Parish will take place on Saturday 10 June 2023. The details of the preparation sessions are still to be finalised, and are likely to take place during the 6 to 7 weeks leading up to 10 June. If you intend to enrol your child, please remember these dates when booking holidays. Please pass this information to friends or family who may not see this bulletin. Many thanks.

**FOOD BANK**

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food bank; your efforts are greatly appreciated. There will be no collection on Bank holiday Monday, 29 August. On the following Monday we would like coffee, toilet rolls, savoury snacks - crisps etc. and tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni. Thank you.

**YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST REFLECTIONS**

A group of parishioners meet 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 31 August. All are welcome.

### **WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will be on Tuesday 6 September. Peter Weighill will lead a 6 mile walk from Wylam to Prudhoe Castle and return along the banks of the River Tyne to Hag Bank and the old railway line to Wylam. Please meet at Immaculate Heart at 9.30am. If you require more information contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

### **CATENIAN BURSARY FUND**

'Individual Project Award' is a grant made to assist a young catholic (aged 16-25) who wishes to undertake some individual project by volunteering to do something wonderful for someone else. This could be on your own, or with others, organised by you or through another organisation, but the essential thing that the Trustees are looking for is that you will be doing something of benefit to others - not yourself.

'**Lourdes Awards**'. Every year many young Catholics travel to Lourdes to work as a helper or as support staff to an assisted pilgrim. We know this can be a life-changing experience, and if you do plan to go, then we'd like to help you with your expenses. This can be on your own, or with an HCPT or Diocesan Pilgrimage, and we also support those providing the same service to assisted pilgrims on the Jumbulance. Students at St Thomas More Academy have benefitted from this award in recent years. You do not need to have any knowledge or acquaintance with the Catenian Association to apply for these awards. For further information and details of how to apply, visit [www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com).

### **OTHER NOTICES**

### **TOUR OF THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE – SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2022**

The apparitions of Our Lady seen by St Bernadette in Lourdes are well known to us. In September and October of this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage from Lourdes to England, Scotland, and Wales for the first time. This pilgrimage will give us the experience of the prayer and healing of Lourdes. The relics of St Bernadette will be in St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, on 1 and 2 October. It is essential that anyone wishing to venerate the relics registers for a time slot. Anyone who has not registered will be turned away. Registration instructions can be found at:

[www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour](http://www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour)

### **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](http://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.

The first course is **Formation for New Readers of the Liturgy of the Word** and the Booking Deadline is Sunday 11 September (or when full). Your application must be endorsed by the Parish Priest.

**Day 1** is taking place on Tuesday 13 September from 7.00 – 9.00pm at St Joseph's, Jarrow.

**Day 2** is taking place on Saturday 17 September from 10.00am – 4.00pm at St Joseph's, Jarrow.

Please ensure you are available for both dates when booking and bring a packed lunch on the Saturday.

### **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. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and Catholic education. 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](mailto:education@diocesehn.org.uk).

### **FIRST STEPS – EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH ONLINE**

Are you looking to explore the Catholic faith? Are you wondering about your relationship with God and not sure where to start? Join us on a journey this Autumn and see if the Catholic Church can help your relationship grow. This may be the right path for you. It may even help you take the next steps towards coming into the Church.

We gather weekly via Zoom and invite you to come along to find out more. The course starts on Wednesday 21 September at 7.00pm. If you are interested to find out more, you can enquire/register using the Online Enquiry Form <https://forms.office.com/r/4jwBpFuRvb> or email us at [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).

### **Contact email addresses, numbers and website:**

Monsignor Andrew Faley	<a href="mailto:stewardssne26@btconnect.com">stewardssne26@btconnect.com</a>	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	<a href="mailto:starofthesea.primary@ntl.org.uk">starofthesea.primary@ntl.org.uk</a>	0191 6432080
<b>Cluster Website</b>	<a href="http://www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk">www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk</a>	

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](mailto: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 27th August <b>ST MONICA</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 6.00pm Margaret Aherne (P & DK)
Sunday 28th August <b>22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 29th August <b>THE PASSION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 30th August	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 9.30am Word & Communion
Wednesday 31st August <b>ST AIDAN &amp; THE SAINTS OF LINDISFARNE</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 9.30am Word & Communion
Thursday 1st September	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 9.30am Word & Communion
Friday 2nd September	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 9.30am Word & Communion
Saturday 3rd September <b>ST GREGORY THE GREAT</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 4th September <b>23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 10.00am Maria Quinn (M & RK)

BAPTISM	CHURCH
Saturday 27th August 11am (Father Andrew)	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> Edward Scott McKeen
Sunday 28th August 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> Henry Adam Oliver
Sunday 4th September 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> Rory Andrew Bain

**Please remember in your prayers:** Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Sarah Walton, Eileen Scott, Kathryn Newton-Henderson and Don Williams who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Fr Dermott Donnelly, John Claydon, Joseph Bell, Catherine Kimmitt, Gerry Rafferty, Eleanor Moody Brown and Sybella Murray O'Leary. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**G**lory 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  
The Chaplaincy on 0191 2934268 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**  
**22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 27TH & 28TH AUGUST 2022**

**First Reading**

**Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21,30-31**

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

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

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 67(68):4-7,10-11**

**We say the Psalm together**

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| 1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,<br>they shall exult and dance for joy.<br>O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;<br>rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.                    | 2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,<br>such is God in his holy place.<br>God gives the lonely a home to live in;<br>he leads the prisoners forth into freedom: |
| 3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:<br>when your people were starved you gave them<br>new life.<br>It was there that your people found a home,<br>prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. |  |

**Second Reading**

**Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24**

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant and a blood for purification which pleads more insistently than Abel's.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Luke 14:1,7-14**

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

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