

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, YEAR C, 13TH & 14TH 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

Our Lady was conceived without sin, lived without sin and did not experience death. At the appointed time she was assumed into heaven to be at the side of her most beloved Son who had given his life for the salvation of humanity. In today's Church, we still honour her as the vessel of God's grace. The vestments are white – the colour of heaven in recognition of where she has gone before us. Mary's Assumption paves the way for our eventual home with the Lord and with her forever. If any theme resounds again and again throughout the Bible, it is God's care for the poor in spirit and those in need. It is this that sets us Christians apart from the ways of the world.

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.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Kimmitt of Madeira Avenue, Whitley Bay, who died on 29 July aged 90 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am on 16 August at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gerard (Gerry) Christopher Anthony Rafferty of Hastings Avenue, Whitley Bay, who died on 30 July aged 87 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.30pm on 19 August at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eleanor (Ellie) Moody Brown of Wellington Avenue, Wellfield, who died on 2 August aged 90 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.30pm on 23 August at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will take place at 9.00am in St Edward's and Immaculate Heart Churches, before the 9.30am weekday Mass.

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.

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.

FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the food bank; your efforts are greatly appreciated. This week we need savoury snacks - crisps etc., tinned pies and tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni. Thank you.

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'. There is no meeting on the 17 August, the next meeting will be on 24 August. All are welcome.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Monday 15 August. Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk starting from the car park of the Sun Inn at Morpeth. This is a fairly easy and varied walk through riverside woods and fields. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary car park at 9.30am. For further details please contact Jim on 07538 327784.

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.

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

ROSARY RALLY

The Rosary Rally is taking place at Minsteracres on Saturday 13 August. It will commence with Mass at 12noon and end at 4pm after Benediction. Refreshments will be available but we request you bring a packed lunch. Any other assistance required can be asked for online or by calling the retreat office on 01434 673248 during office hours of 9am - 5pm.

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.

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.

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. 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 13th August	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 14th August THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIGIN MARY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am A Sick Daughter (LH)
Monday 15th August	No Mass
Tuesday 16th August ST STEPHEN OF HUNGARY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Requiem Mass Catherine Kimmitt
Wednesday 17th August	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Mary Relton (AF)
Thursday 18th August	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am The Forgotten Souls (LD)
Friday 19th August ST OSWIN	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 12.30pm Requiem Mass Gerry Rafferty
Saturday 20th August ST BERNARD	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 21st August 21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Kevin Linden (JW)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Saturday 13th August 11am (Deacon Terry)	Senan Jack Laverick
Saturday 20th August 11am (Deacon Terry)	Logan Valentino Walters

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 Marie Louise Apostolopoulos, Teresa Tharakan, Fr Dermott Donnelly, John Claydon, Joseph Bell, Catherine Kimmitt, Gerry Rafferty and Eleanor Moody Brown. 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 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

Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 44(45):10-12,16

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's house. | 2. So will the king desire your beauty:
He is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. |
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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.' And Mary said: 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.' Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

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