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23rd Sunday of Year C – 4th September 2022

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	4 th	23 rd Sunday of Year C	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Wis 9: 13-18, Phil 9-17 Luke 14: 25-33
			St M	11.00am	Denis Dale (SD)	
Mon	5 th	Mother Teresa			No Public Service	
Tue	6 th	Weekday			No Public Service	
Wed	7 th	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Gerry Rafferty (KJ)	1 Cor 7: 25-31, Luke 6: 20-26
Thu	8 th	Birth of Blessed Virgin Mary	St M	10.00am	Dec'd Mems DiMascio Family	Micah 5: 1-4a, Matt 1: 1-23
Fri	9 th	Weekday	St O	2.15pm	Funeral Service: Pam Dean	
Sat	10 th	Weekday			No Public Service	
Sun	11 th	24 th Sunday of Year C	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Ex 32: 7-14, 1 Tim 1: 12-17 Luke 15: 1-31
			St M	11.00am	Shippen Family (SS)	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Available on request.
 St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in September: Pat Scott, Sally Conway, Clare Nelson, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Eileen Whalen, Sheila Boyle, Steve Bociek. New list available, names need to be re-signed.

And for Pamela Ann Dean who died recently. A Funeral service will be held for her at St Oswin's on Friday 9th September at 2.15pm followed by cremation at Whitley Bay crematorium. May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Joan Dunn, Steve Shippen, Joan Jones, Arthur Bland, Selma Whitaker, Josie White, Martha Coutts, Beatrice Swaddle, John Bradley, Inta Fozard, Anita Nott, Kenneth Briggs, Thomas Elliott.

First Holy Communion Preparation for 2023: Parents of school children in **Year 4** are invited to collect a form to enrol their children into this sacramental programme. Forms are available at Sunday Mass.

The new Journey of Faith (RCIA) meetings begin in the autumn. These sessions are for all those interested in joining the Church, and for all who are already members of the church but would like to refresh and deepen their understanding of their faith. If you would like to explore further becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr Martin.

Education Sunday: Next Sunday there will be a retiring collection to support the work of Catholic Education.

APF Red Mission Boxes: September quarter for collection is due. Please either bring your boxes and leave at back of church, or hand to your collector. They will be returned the following Sunday. *Thank you.*

Thank you – Sheila Boyle would like to thank Parishioners for their continued prayers and good wishes over the last few months.

The Wearing of Face-covering is a personal choice, although it is recommended by the Diocese. If you need to, please sanitise your hands on entry. You must not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid-19. *Please be sensitive towards those who still wish to follow social distancing.*

Congratulations to
Sofia Katherine Maria Beegan
who was baptised at St Oswin's last Sunday

St Bernadette Relic Tour will be at St Mary's Cathedral on 1st and 2nd Oct. To visit you need to book at: www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/

Date for your Diary: We have booked **Thurs 8th Dec** for our much missed Parish Social and Dinner at Tynemouth Golf Club. Cost £25 per head. Bookings, with payment, will be taken in two weeks time.

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) is available for catechists, lay leaders, teachers, teachers in training and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith. For further information, you can contact Eamonn Diffley at Dept. for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

Advance Notice: Re-wire of St Mary's Church & Hall: As mentioned at the AGM, in the coming months we need to re-wire both the church and hall at St Mary's – an opportunity to fit new low energy LED lighting. Further information to follow once dates for this are confirmed.

First Reading

Wisdom 9:13-18

Without the gift of divine wisdom we would be utterly unable to fathom the mysteries of the universe, the meaning of history, and the mind of God.

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89

Response: **O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.**

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| 1. You turn men back into 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 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

Philemon 9-10.12-17

Paul urges Philemon to take Onesimus his former slave back as a brother.

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-33

Being a disciple of Christ involves self-renunciation – we must be prepared to accept the cost.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?