

26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 24TH & 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

The Cycle of Prayer

Autumn

During Ordinary Time from September to Advent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.**

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Self-satisfaction with one's life compared with those less fortunate is a theme of this week's readings. Amos seems to be condemning enjoyment, however, this is not the case. It is not wealth as such, it is the complacency and disregard for others he dislikes. The rich man ignores Lazarus at his gate and carries on with his extravagant lifestyle. He may even ask his servants to remove him so that he is not reminded of the poor each day. Abraham does not tell the rich man he is being punished for not considering the poor, he simply explains that the positions of the two are reversed. Lazarus is now comforted while the rich man is tormented. There is an unbreachable chasm between the two. Jesus tells this parable to the Pharisees who are to be compared to the rich man. It is not easy for us to reflect on these readings because they remind us that at some point we will all have to face judgement on how we have considered those less fortunate than ourselves. What we can do is to give thanks for what we have and to pray for those in need.

Deacon Terry

PARISH COVID CONTROLS

The wearing of a 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 to those who socially distance.

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH - MASS LIVE-STREAMING

We are delighted to announce that a live-streaming system has been installed in St Edward's Church and will be active from this Sunday onwards. All safeguarding and copyright protocols have been followed. Sunday Mass at 10.00am will be available initially, and then Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9.30am Masses, subject to appraisal. Baptisms, weddings and funerals can also be live streamed if required. To access the live stream, go to the YouTube website and search for 'St Edward's Whitley Bay'. The live stream will start five minutes before the celebration.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

Our Children's Liturgy has begun again! We invite all of our young children aged between 3 and 11 years to join us. NB pre-school children should be accompanied by an adult or an older sibling. We will be offering Children's Liturgy at the following Mass times:

Immaculate Heart of Mary, West Monkseaton:

Saturday 6:00pm, 8 and 15 October.

St Edwards, Whitley Bay:

Sunday 10:00am, 9 and 16 October.

The children attending Sunday Mass will be welcomed by Fr Andrew at the front of church and share in a blessing with the Book of the Gospels. They then leave the church to go to the parish meeting room to celebrate the Word of

God together, and return to their families at the Offertory for the rest of Mass. In the session we welcome our children and celebrate the Gospel with songs, discussion and activities. Whether you come to Church regularly or just occasionally, all are welcome. Families with children intending to receive First Reconciliation and Holy Communion this coming year are strongly encouraged to attend. Please note: a register is kept of all children and adults attending for safeguarding purposes, and the information kept securely in accordance with GDPR. Children's Liturgy will take place on the second and third Sundays of each month outside of school holidays.

WELCOME TO FR SEAMUS O'KANE

We welcome Fr O'Kane this weekend who will celebrate our Sunday Masses while Mgr Andrew is taking a holiday.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We are going to have our first Macmillan coffee morning since before lockdown! So we need cake bakers, scone makers, biscuit lovers, cupcake decorators, coffee drinkers, tea sinkers, ticket sellers, money takers, dishwashers, clearer uppers, but most of all, YOU to come along and bring your friends, (and your cakes!) to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Thursday 29 September at 10am for our Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning.

Our Lady Star of the Sea parish have always been great supporters of Macmillan in the past and we would like to continue this tradition as we get back to normal life. We would appreciate donations of cakes, biscuits, pies etc. which can be delivered to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Wednesday 28th between 3pm and 5pm or on Thursday 29th before 10am. Thank you. If you would like further information, contact Chris on 07984963769.

URGENT - FOOD BANK

Thank you so much to all those who have been donating cash to the Foodbank over recent months. Unfortunately, because of supply difficulties the supermarkets are no longer happy for the Foodbank to buy in bulk. In order to be fair to their customers the supermarkets are rationing what the Foodbank can buy in one purchase. As a result foodbank supplies are quickly running out and they are expecting to be in huge difficulties by mid December. If you have been used to donating cash, could I suggest that you use the money to buy goods instead. Your continued support is greatly appreciated and we always look forward to seeing you on Monday mornings at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Thank you.

RAFFERTY FAMILY THANKS

The Rafferty family would like to sincerely thank Fr Andrew, parishioners and everyone who came to Gerry's Requiem Mass on 19 August to celebrate his life. We have been overwhelmed by the love and support we have received from prayers, Mass intentions, cards, letters and flowers. A donation of £1,350 has been sent to the Little Sisters of the Poor, Westmorland Road, Newcastle in Gerry's memory. God bless you all.

NEW READERS

Congratulations to Shantel Suneesh and Juliet Lockey, who last week completed their diocesan training and were commissioned as readers for our parish. We congratulate them and thank them for preparing for and undertaking this very valuable ministry.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The partnership Journey in Faith sessions begin on Tuesday 27 September, at 7pm. The **first session only** will take place in St Edward's Church and parish room. Please come to the Coquet Avenue entrance to the parish house at number 1 Coquet Avenue. After this first session we will be meeting roughly every other Tuesday evening in the upper meeting room at Immaculate Heart Church in West Monkseaton. All who are wishing to explore the idea of becoming a Catholic, or who would like to deepen their faith as Catholics, are welcome. For further information contact the Parish office.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Wednesday 5 October from St Andrews, Bolam, to St Andrews, Hartburn, returning to Bolam. This is an easy 6-mile walk, mainly through open countryside. Meet at Immaculate Heart of Mary for shared cars for a 9.30am departure. Further details if required from Gerry Latimer on 0191 2516989.

RED BOXES - MILL HILL MISSIONARIES

Can all of those members who have funds for St. Edward's Church please arrange to let me have their boxes before the end of this month. If necessary arrangements can be made to call and pick up the boxes from you. Please contact me on 07889 969639. Bill Crumbley.

LUNCHEON CLUB

Luncheon Club is coming!! Watch this space.

BAPTISM CATECHISTS

Would you like to become a Baptism Catechist? If so we would like you to join our team as we are presently looking for more Catechists to help out with our 'Baptism Course for Parents'. The role involves meeting with parents to encourage them to reflect on why they are having their infants baptised and to help them understand the meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism. The course is offered at one of our cluster parishes i.e. Whitley Bay, Tynemouth or North Shields, usually in the evening from 7-9pm, presently every 4/6 weeks and we aim to have two leaders for each session. Support and resources will be provided and you would be extremely welcome. If therefore you feel you would like to face a new challenge, help our young parents and benefit from the experience, please come along to a meeting on 6 October 2022 at St Cuthbert's Church, North Shields. If you'd like to know more please contact Teresa Hills on 07855649735.

OTHER NOTICES

TYNESIDE CIRCLE OF THE NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

The next talk of the Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association will be on Wednesday 28 September at 7.30pm in the church hall at St. Joseph's, North Shields when two Anglican priests, the Rev Janet Appleby and the Rev Pamela Ingham, will discuss their experience of ordination. Their talk is entitled "Women Priests: Called, Contested, Celebrated?" All Welcome.

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

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. This is your last chance to register before next weekend. Registration instructions can be found at:
www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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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 24th September OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 25th September 26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am A Sick Daughter (LH)
Monday 26th September SS COSMAS & DAMIAN	No Mass
Tuesday 27th September ST VINCENT DE PAUL	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Wednesday 28th September ST WENCESLAUS	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Thursday 29th September SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am William Robinson (RR)
Friday 30th September ST JEROME	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Saturday 1st October ST TERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Marian Dimascio (LD) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm John Devine (AW)
Sunday 2nd October 27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 25th September 11.30am (Deacon Terry)	Eliza Laura Carlson

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Sarah Walton, Eileen Scott, Don Williams and Pat Tinker who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Catherine Kimmitt, Gerry Rafferty, Eleanor Moody Brown, Sybella Murray O'Leary, Eileen Mary Salter and Matthieu Flesselles. 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 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
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First Reading

Amos 6:1,4-7

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria, those famous men of this first of nations to whom the House of Israel goes as client. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145(146):7-10

We say the Psalm together

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." "The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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