

EASTER SUNDAY, YEAR A, 8TH & 9TH APRIL, 2023

The Cycle of Prayer

Eastertide

During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: **New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.**

While Christ lay dead, the widowed world
Wore willow green for hope undone.

But when bright Easter dew impearled the chilly, burial earth,
All North and South, all East and West flushed red in the rising sun.
Hope laughed, and faith resumed her rest, and love remembered mirth. (Anon)

EASTER BLESSINGS & THANKS

Cardinal Basil Hume once said: "The great gift of Easter is hope — Christian hope, which makes us have that confidence in God, in His ultimate triumph, and in His goodness and love, which nothing can shake." As we celebrate that Jesus conquered sin and death, we also celebrate that we are transformed by his resurrection from the dead. We are grateful for all the support and care we give and receive from one another in our Parish and beyond. Christian hope gives us direction for life, for our patience with each other, and for our ability to see the gift of each other beyond our weakness. Thanks to all who have done so much to make Lent and Holy Week so rich this year. I am grateful for your continuing support and prayers. I wish you and your families and friends Easter blessings and prayers. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Mgr Andrew.

HOLY COMMUNION

In our Parish Masses, Holy Communion will continue to be distributed under one species only, the Sacred Host. The situation will be reviewed towards the Feast of Corpus Christi in June. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or a member of the Parish Pastoral Council. Many thanks. Mgr. Andrew Faley.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joan Waugh of Waterloo Road, Whitley Bay, who died on 30 March aged 84 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on 27 April at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, West Monkseaton, followed by burial in Earsdon Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brian Hymers of Paignton Avenue, Monkseaton, who died on 31 March aged 93 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.30pm on 20 April at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, West Monkseaton, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH — COFFEE AFTER MASS

There will be no coffee after Mass this Sunday at St Edward's Church.

SUNDAY 16 APRIL — DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday there will be a special collection for The Northern Brethren Fund for Sick & Retired Priests.

NARTHEX ENTRANCE AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

The installation of the new toilets in the Narthex at St Edward's Church is delayed until after Easter. Further details will follow when a new start date is known.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION 2023

We have 31 children registered to take part in this year's programme. The first Parents' Information session was held on Thursday 30 March. We look forward to welcoming the children for their first preparation session on **Monday 17 April from 5.00pm - 6.15pm** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Times, dates and details of further sessions will be published in the bulletin.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The next Journey of Faith meeting is on Tuesday 18 April at 7.00pm in St Edward's Parish Rooms. All are Welcome.

WALKING GROUP

The next seven mile walk will take place on Wednesday 19 April, from Blanchland through woodland to Shildon and Pennypie (the name is a clue to what they sold there to the cattle drovers) then via the Carriers Way to Newbiggin returning to the village and along the banks of the River Derwent. Beautiful open country, fine views and lots of bird-life. There is an uphill stretch at the start and a corresponding descent near the end. Depart in shared cars from Immaculate Heart of Mary church at 9.30am. Further information from Gerry Latimer on 0191 2516989.

IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH — FOOD BANK

There will be no Food Bank collection for the next two weeks; collections will resume on Monday 24 April at the usual time of 10am to 12 Noon. The Bank will then need savoury snacks - crisps etc., tinned or packet potatoes, microwave rice, tinned vegetables & biscuits. Thank you as always for your generosity.

NO PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB IN APRIL

Unfortunately, due to the funerals taking place later this month, there will be no Luncheon Club in April. Normal service will resume in May.

MASS INTENTIONS – BROWN ENVELOPES

If you want a Mass said for an intention, please fill out the brown envelope provided at the back of the church and deposit in the collection basket during Mass. If you would like a specific date, please ensure you request it well in advance. Thank you.

PARISH SICK LIST

The names of those who are sick are included weekly on the bulletin, and is mainly for the sick of the Parish who we pray for in the Bidding Prayers at Sunday Mass. It is important, however, that the list is kept up to date by those who have added the names. Please contact Julie, the Parish Secretary, to confirm whether the name(s) you have added are to stay on the list. Many thanks. Mgr Andrew.

OTHER NOTICES

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Administrator, Vicariate for Faith and Mission (maternity cover) – full-time. Closing date: 18 April.

Senior Administrator, Dept for Education, Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – full-time. Closing date: 18 April.

Parish Secretary and Cleaner (2 roles) – St Patrick's, Langley Moor, Durham – part-time. Closing dates: 12 April. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 2433301.

DAY FOR CATECHISTS — 15 JULY 2023

Are you involved with Baptismal Preparation, First Holy Communion, Confirmations, Marriage Preparation, RCIA, Children's Liturgy or other faith sharing initiatives? We are excited to host the largest gathering of Catechists the diocese has seen in recent times. This will be a special opportunity to come together and renew our approach to sacramental preparation and faith-sharing post-pandemic. Whether you are a seasoned catechist or just considering becoming one, we want you to join us. We will be sharing key principles from the New Directory of Catechesis and affirming good practice, as well as providing new ideas and inspiration. Individuals and parish groups are welcome. To register your interest/book a place, please visit

bit.ly/DHND0C23.

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP CONFIRMATION 2023

The Partnership Confirmation Programme for students in Years 9 and 10 will begin in April 2023 with the Confirmation ceremony taking place in the week commencing July 17th. Application forms are available from your parish or the school chaplain. If you have any queries or questions please email Michael Thompson at mthompson@stmacademy.org.uk.

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP — ANNUAL AMPLEFORTH RETREAT

Our annual retreat to Ampleforth Abbey this year is from Monday 24 July to Wednesday 26 July, and will be led by one of the monks from the Abbey. The total price, which includes full board and transport, is likely to be about £215 but the exact amount will depend on final numbers. All rooms in The Grange are now en-suite. A deposit of £75 will be needed by Easter Sunday, 9 April, in order to confirm your booking. Please contact Pauline Keavey (Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish) on 2521790 if you would like to come or for more details. If you would like more information about the Abbey, the website address is

www.ampleforthabbey.org.uk

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE — VOLUNTEERS

Have you ever thought about travelling on Pilgrimage to Lourdes in response to the call of Our Blessed Lady? Every year, many people generously offer their service to those who stay in the Accueil (hospital) and need some additional care and support from volunteers like yourselves. This could include making a cup of tea, having a chat, helping in the dining room or assisting a pilgrim to attend the various Masses and services which take place during Pilgrimage Week. In order to provide care for all of the applicants for the Accueil, **we need more registered adult helpers**. We do not have enough at present and do not want to disappoint pilgrims who are looking forward to travelling with us. The dates of travel are Friday 28 July to Friday 4 August 2023. Financial help with the cost of travel and accommodation is available in the form of a subsidy for this year only. If you would like any further information, please telephone 0191 5281992 or email lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk. The link to register as an adult helper is: <https://forms.office.com/e/ZHWW4DD5ny>. Please note, registration will close on Wednesday 5 April. All forms **MUST** be received by this date. We look forward to meeting you soon.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwardsne26@btconnect.com	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntlp.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 8th April HOLY SATURDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 8.00pm Easter Vigil People of the Parish
Sunday 9th April EASTER SUNDAY	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Alan Connors-Fowler (AF)
Easter Monday 10th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Jayne Storey (MS)
Easter Tuesday 11th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion
Easter Wednesday 12th April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am George Williamson (D&PK)
Easter Thursday 13th April	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Geoff Welton (EW)
Easter Friday 14th April	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Angus MacEachen (KM)
Easter Saturday 15th April Confessions 10.00am, St Edward's 5.30pm, Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Freda Jack (JP) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Anne & Brian Watson (A&BW)
Sunday 16th April DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 16th April 11.30am	Cameron Bowness

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Scott, Don Williams, Ron Lowes, Eddie Meenaghan, Eileen Whalen, Ellen Gray, Gilbert Rowell & Annette Pilman who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Pauline Donoghue, Pete Scott, Angela Mary Gray, Ray Taylor, Colleen Lambe, Joan Waugh & Brian Hymers. 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 kneel or 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, on 0191 2733903.

Newcastle General Hospital: Sister Teresa, 0191 2336161 ext. 28465.

PRIESTS' TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Canon Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770.

READINGS AT MASS
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First Reading

Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' | 2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. |
| 3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. | |

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

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.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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