

MASS READINGS

PENTECOST SUNDAY (YEAR A)

FIRST READING

They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Psalm 103

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| <p>1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches.</p> | <p>2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.</p> |
| <p>3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord.</p> | |

SECOND READING

In the one Spirit we were all baptised.

Corinthians 12:3-7. 12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you; receive the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.

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We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.

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27th/28th May 2023 – Pentecost Sunday– A

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 27 th May		5:30pm: Mass: Denis Jones
Sunday 28th May Pentecost Sunday	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live streamed	
Monday 29 th May		
Tuesday 30 th May		9:30am: Mass: A Sick Person (SB)
Wednesday 31 st May	9:30am: Mass: Kathleen & John Whitley	
Thursday 1 st June		9:30am: Mass:
Friday 2 nd June	7:00pm: Mass	
Saturday 3 rd June		5:30pm: Mass:
Sunday 4th June The Most Holy Trinity - A	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live streamed	

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp group: text your name & number to 07752009361 to be added to **StCuthStJosNshields Group**

Facebook:

search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

Website:

www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

Parish office:

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Prayer Intentions for Eastertide: New members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work
We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Barbara & Tony Hicks, Jim Campbell, Richard Sutherland, Irene Keenaghan, Eileen Stevens, Paula More, Mary Quinn, Eleanor Robson, Vera Reay, Paul Atkinson, Francis McSherry, Mary Kidd Margaret Burfield and Sheila Boyle
Please pray for Pat Gibbons and for all who have died recently.

Pentecost

We culminate this period of Lent and Easter with great Feast of Pentecost. We acknowledge this great power that transformed the apostle from a group of timid and hopeless motley crew to a force that has outlived all empires and ideologies, continuing to dwell with us at this present time. At a time of uncertainty in our world and in our diocese we remind ourselves of the power of the Spirit to work through human weakness and transform us so that we can be configured into Christ. It worked for the apostles; it can work for us! A Happy and Spirit-filled Pentecost to you all.

Celebrating Pentecost

Last year for Pentecost where we had a successful Pentecost Liturgy with parishioners reading the scriptures in various languages, with a shared table afterwards. We will repeat this for Pentecost this year, which will be on Sunday 28th May at 4pm. Any volunteers to read the scriptures in a non-English language will be appreciated.

A Course in Christian Meditation

One of our parishioners, Ali Hain, has a keen interest in Christian Meditation. He has kindly offered to facilitate a course on Christian Meditation. This will be running at St Cuthbert's, starting on the evening of 30th May 2023 at 7pm. The course builds on the teaching of the founder of the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM) the Rev Dom John Main OSB, giving practical guidance on Christian Meditation. The last session will be on July 4th.

There are 6 sessions:-

30/05/2023	Week 1 What is Christian Meditation?
06/06/2023	Week 2 The life and teaching of John Main
13/06/2023	Week 3 The Roots of Meditation in the Christian Tradition
20/06/2023	Week 4 The Wheel of Prayer: Meditation and Other Ways of Prayer
27/06/2023	Week 5 Leaving Self Behind: Meditation and Discipleship
04/07/2023	Week 6 The Fruits of Meditation

Live Simply Tip

Living Simply is based on the following three strands:

- living simply
- living in solidarity with people in poverty
- living sustainably with creation.

This week's tip: The film The Letter is shown at St Cuthbert's this week-end It tells the story of a journey to Rome of frontline leaders to discuss the encyclical letter Laudato Si', which inspired the Live Simply initiative, with Pope Francis. If you were unable to attend, you can also watch it on <https://www.theletterfilm.org/watch/>.

Do you have a tip for living a simpler, more sustainable and compassionate life that you would like to share? If so, please see Anne Greaves (The violin player in the St Cuthbert's music group) or Father Chris and we'll put it in the bulletin.

Parish Council

There will be a meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 30th May at St Cuthbert's at 7pm.

Parish Proclaimers

There will be a meeting of the Proclaimers Group in person Wednesday 31st May at 7pm. This group explores how we evangelise through taking prophetic and social action in the community and beyond.

Items on the agenda will include the listening and living wage campaign, training for community organising, the progress on the Live Simply Award and a review and possible actions in the light of showing the 'The Letter' and Professor Kilby's lecture on the drought in the Horn of Africa, helping to proclaim Catholic Social Teaching and organising the Mass for the sick and housebound on July 15. All are welcome.

Parish Summer Fayre Saturday 1st July 12.30

The Annual Summer Fayre is the main Fundraiser for the Parish. There will be a meeting Tuesday 20th June at 7pm at St Cuthbert's for anyone willing to come along and help.

Volunteers needed for setting up, helping with stalls, and clearing away at the end of event. Also, some young volunteers to provide child friendly activities.

Donations needed for the Following:

Raffle Prizes for main Raffle

Bottles for Bottle Tombola- does not need to be alcohol.

General prizes for prize tombola- any toiletries must be in original unopened packaging

On the day cakes/scones etc for cake stall

Books – any books not sold at fayre will go to book charity supported by parish currently.

Toys- good condition/new

Bric a Brac

China and Glass

Crafts

Boxes will be available at back of both churches from next weekend.

Nite Bite and New to the UK

Churches Together in North Shields have asked me to make people aware of Nite Bite that meets later afternoon on a Tuesday and New to the UK that meets on a Wednesday lunchtime. Both these meetings are at North Shields Baptist Church in Howard Street.

Newman Association

Chris Maunder to speak on 'Our Lady of the Nations' - Apparitions of Mary in 20th Century Catholic Europe At St Cuthbert's Church Hall, North Shields, on Wednesday 31st May, at 7.30pm.

A Day for Catechists

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 practices, 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.

Corpus Christi Procession

St Mary's Church, Hexham is organising a Corpus Christi Service on Sunday 11th June at 3pm. Parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend with refreshments being served afterwards. The Service will also be live-streamed should people wish to join us. The website is www.stmaryshexham.org.uk

Day of Reflection

The Liturgical Formation Team will be holding a Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday 3rd June 2023, 10.30am-3.00pm - arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am. The venue for this event will be St Michael's, Durham Road, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 8NF and will cost £10.00 per person. Participants are asked to bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. To book your place or for more information visit bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents. Booking Deadline: Tuesday 23rd May 2023. You can book at: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=rbNF1OvKcEahMOeyP9EtHx7PhT5puDNMgM3Swhmjif9URTIP5IIORVJDMFVaMVRHOTJXTEgwQjZHSi4u>

Anniversary Celebration for Fr Dermot Donnelly

Mass celebrated by Bishop Seamus Cunningham and a Barbecue will be held at the Emmaus Village on Saturday 1st July beginning at 3pm. Young people will share the impact of Fr Dermott's ministry on the first Anniversary of his death, plus we will have an opportunity to hear about redevelopment of the Youth Village and new initiatives that are underway. Come along and support Fr Dermott's charity "Significance" so that the work can continue. Barbecue tickets cost £10 per person (children under 16 are free). Please RSVP if you are coming to the Mass and/or want Barbecue tickets. Accommodation can also be booked. admin@ymt.org or Tel 01207 592244

Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a Fundraising Manager to lead on the development and implementation of a Diocesan Fundraising Strategy to include trusts, foundations and legacies. The role is full-time and permanent. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

Parish Finance – Standing Orders

If you would like to set up a Standing Order the details of the parish account are:

Name: DHN North Shields St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC, Sort code: 40-34-45,

Account number 91146513 Please feel free to invite your families and friends to join us.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God. We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ. Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine. And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son. Lord have mercy. Amen.