

13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 1ST AND 2ND JULY, 2023

The Cycle of Prayer

Summer

During Ordinary Time 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.**

APPOINTMENT OF A NEW BISHOP FOR THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE

On Wednesday, 14 June, His Holiness Pope Francis appointed Right Reverend Stephen Wright as the Fifteenth Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle. Bishop Wright has been an Auxiliary Bishop in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. He will be installed as our new Bishop in St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, on 19 July. We warmly welcome Bishop Stephen to our Diocese and promise him our prayers and support. Mgr Andrew

DIOCESAN LISTENING EXERCISE – INVITATION TO THE LAITY

In his recent Pastoral Letter, Archbishop McMahon announced a Listening Exercise in the Diocese to help Clergy, Religious and Laity respond to the issues raised by the resignation of Bishop Byrne and the reports which have been published. The aim is to begin looking to the future with healing and hope. Meetings have been arranged for the Laity to share their wisdom, hurts and hopes. You are invited to attend one of three meetings on 11 July at St. Bede's Church Hall, Bedlington, or on 12 July at St Michael's Church Hall, Houghton-Le-Spring, or on 13 July at English Martyrs & St. Peter & St Paul's, Stockton-on-Tees. The meetings are from 7.00pm to 8.30pm and will include a time for listening, discussion and prayer for healing. You are encouraged to be generous in taking part to help move the Diocese forward under the care of our new bishop, Bishop Stephen Wright. A copy of Archbishop McMahon's letter is available at the back of church.

BANNS FOR ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE – JOSEPH O'BRIEN

I am pleased to inform you that Joseph O'Brien, a seminarian at the Venerable English College in Rome and a member of our Parish, is due to be ordained to the Diaconate on 5 July 2023 in the Church of Our Lady of the Snows, Palazzola, in the Diocese of Albano, Italy, by Bishop Douglas Crosby of Hamilton Diocese. If anyone knows of any reason why he should not be ordained, please inform Mgr Andrew at the earliest opportunity. Please keep Joseph in your prayers. The collection taken last Sunday totalled £605.00 Thank you very much for your generosity.

THANKS

We thank Canon Christopher Jackson for celebrating the Masses for the Feast of SS Peter and Paul with us.

THANKS

Judy, Andrew and Sarah Hamblin would like to thank Fr Andrew and Joe and Deirdre James for their help and support in planning and delivering Bill's funeral service. Also grateful thanks for prayers received from the Parish

DAY OF PRAYER FOR HUMAN LIFE – THANKS

The collection taken on the Day of Prayer for Human Life raised £385.55. Thank you very much for your generosity.

NARTHEX ENTRANCE AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

Please note the work to install the new toilets in the Narthex is almost complete. Apart from funerals, there will be no Mass or Word and Communion celebrated at St. Edward's on weekdays for a little while longer. All weekday Masses will take place at Immaculate Heart Church for now. Until further notice, access to St. Edward's Church will be via the main entrance doors on Park Road and the side entrance on Coquet Avenue. There will be signs to point to the alternative toilets in the Parish Rooms via the Sacristy beside the statue of Our Lady.

SEA SUNDAY - 9TH JULY 2023

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure on board. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is Sunday 9th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. A collection will be taken at both Masses. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) to continue its important work. Thank you.

STAR OF THE SEA PUPILS AT MASS

Year 6 pupils and their "buddies" from Reception Class will attend Mass at Immaculate Heart Church on Wednesday 12th July. We look forward to welcoming them, their teachers, parents and carers.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Tuesday 4 July . Peter Weighill will lead a 6 mile walk around the River Tyne. Starting from Wylam, passing George Stephenson's cottage, Close House and the Battle Stone at Newburn. Returning via Ryton Willows. Please meet at Immaculate Heart at 9.30am . If you require more information please contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP CONFIRMATION 2023

51 young people from the Partnership Parishes have joined together to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation which they will celebrate on 18th July. Please keep them in your prayers.

IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH — FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who is able to support the food bank. Even though everyone is finding life difficult, your kindness never fails. This week the Food Bank requires toiletries, jam, long life milk & tinned pies. Thank you as always for your generosity.

MONDAY DROP-IN AT IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH

On Mondays the kettle will be on and the biscuit tin out at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for anyone who fancies a cuppa. Come along on Monday between 10am and 12 noon and have a chat and a tea or coffee. Hope to see you there.

MILL HILL MISSIONARIES RED BOX APPEAL

Thank you to all who donated for the March quarter. The sum donated by our parish in 2022 came to **£6,785.17** and the charity is very grateful for the enormous support you continue to provide to our global family and the missionaries who serve them.

WELCOMERS AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

We could do with 2 or 3 more Welcomers at St Edward's 10.00am Sunday Mass. Please contact Derek Hooper at church or phone 0191 2526386. Many thanks.

PARISH GENEROSITY

A big thank you for all your generous donations, which are greatly appreciated. Whitley Bay HSBC branch is now closed so if anyone would like to transfer to standing order or bank transfer, this would help to simplify our banking procedure. 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

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) 2023-2024

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 course programme is now available for 2023-2024 on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesahn.org.uk/education/continuing-professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>

MARY'S PLACE — APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

At Mary's Place, located in the clergy house at St Mary's Cathedral, we give more than a cup of water. Each Monday we feed over 40 guests who are homeless or socially disadvantaged with hot meals and drinks, as well as taking a dozen or so lunch bags out to people on the street. The current situation has increased the demand on our services and we need more volunteers each week. We currently operate with a team of 28, each having 7 volunteers for each session. Each volunteer is in once every 4 weeks. The sessions run from 9.30am—1.30pm each Monday. There is a variety of roles - greeting, cooking, serving, washing up and making tea & coffee. If you would be interested in learning more about joining our team, please contact Liz Bennett on 07815888974 or eliz.bennett@outlook.com or speak to Jenny or Derek Hooper at St Edward's Church, who will enthuse about it, either by phone 0191 2526386, or in person at Sunday Mass, where they regularly welcome and run the Piety Stall.

PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA, NEWCASTLE

Please note that from the Monday 10th July the Cathedral bookshop will have revised opening hours:

Monday & Tuesday Closed
Wednesday 10:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday 10:00am – 4:30pm
Friday 10:00am – 4:30pm
Saturday 9:45am – 4:00pm
Sunday 9:30am – 1:15pm

For orders and enquires outside of these hours please:

Telephone: 0151 7091328 Email: orders@pauline-uk.org
www.paulineuk.org

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 1st July ST OLIVER PLUNKETT Confessions 10.00am, St Edward's 5.30pm, Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Brian Lee (EW) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Peter & Paul Whalen (PW)
Sunday 2nd July 13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 3rd July ST THOMAS	No Mass
Tuesday 4th July ST ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Rosa & Franco Bonadies (LD)
Wednesday 5 July ST ANTHONY ZACCARIA	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Bill Hamblin (RM)
Thursday 6th July ST MARIA GORETTI	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Kathleen Cunningham (EW)
Friday 7th July	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Teresa Tharakan (AT)
Saturday 8th July ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG & COMPANIONS Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Brian Lee (B&HC) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Kevin Gaughan (DS)
Sunday 9th July 14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish

BAPTISM	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH
Sunday 2nd July, 11.30am	Finley Isaac Proud
Sunday 9th July, 11.30am	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH Grayson Henry McAllister

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Scott, Don Williams, Eddie Meenaghan, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Layton Newton, & John Caroline who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, Joan Skelton, Alison Ibbs, Bill Hamblin, Joyce Small & Fr Pat O'Connell. May they rest in peace.

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

Mgr Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Fr Chris Hughes 0191 2575801, Fr David Smith 0191 2623882, Canon Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770.

READINGS AT MASS
13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 1ST & 2ND JULY, 2023

First Reading

2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. He said to his servant Gehazi, 'Call our Shunammite. Tell her this: "Look, you have gone to all this trouble for us, what can we do for you? Is there anything you would like said for you to the king or to the commander of the army?"' But she replied, 'I live with my own people about me.' 'What can be done for her then?' he asked. Gehazi answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' he said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

We say the Psalm together

Psalm 88(89):2-3,16-19

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.
2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss.
3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
by your favour it is that our might is exalted;
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-4,8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

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Gospel Acclamation

cf.Ac16:14

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. 'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. 'Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man's reward. 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

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