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15th Sunday of Year A – 16th July 2023

<u>SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS</u>						
Sun	16th	15th Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	David Cairns (AC)	<i>Is 55: 10-11, Rom 8: 18-23 Matt 13: 1-23</i>
			St M	11.00am	Edward Stempczyk	
Mon	17 th	Weekday	St M	10.00am	Priest's intention	<i>Ex 1: 8-22, Matt 10:34 -11: 1</i>
Tue	18 th	Weekday			No Mass	
Wed	19 th	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Patricia Duffy (Kenny)	<i>Ex 3: 1-12, Matt 11: 25-27</i>
Thu	20 th	Weekday	St M	10.00am	Whole School Mass	<i>Ex 3: 13-20, Matt 11: 28-30</i>
Fri	21 st	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Ricci Hudson-Storey (b'day)	<i>Ex 11: 10 -12:14, Matt 12: 1-8</i>
			St M	2.00pm	Funeral Service: Lawrence Saville	
Sat	22 nd	St Mary Magdalene	St M	10.00am	Patrick McCumiskey (SMCC)	<i>Songs 3: 1-4, 2 Cor 5: 14-17</i>
Sun	23rd	16th Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Wis 12: 13-19, Rom 8: 26-27 Matt 13: 24-43</i>
			St M	11.00am	Allan Muir (VM)	
<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30–10.45am in St Mary's Church <i>St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Daily 7.30am to 7.30pm</i></p>						

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in July: Lilian Bland, Clare Nelson, Chloe Arcillas, Pat Scott, Betty Briggs, Les Flintham, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Maureen Ruddick, Cath Peffers, OR, Chris Lincoln, Lisa Stimpson, Margaret Kearney, Paul Mazzucchi, Eileen Whalen, Joan Donahoe.

And for Bill O'Brien and Lawrence Saville who died recently. A funeral service for Lawrence will be held on Friday 21st July 2.00pm at St Mary's followed by committal at Tynemouth crematorium. A funeral service for Bill will be held on Monday 31st July 1.00pm at St Mary's followed by burial at Tynemouth cemetery. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Patricia Donaldson, Joan Smith, Edward Walsh, Cathy Inledon, Patrick McCumiskey, John Collins, Susan Whyte, Patricia Brown.

We remember to Pray for the 40 young people from our partnership of parishes who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this **Tuesday 18th July 6.30pm** at St Cuthbert's North Shields.

Minutes of the Recent Parish Open Meeting and AGM are available for parishioners to collect and read from the back of church.

Thankyou: Val Muir and family would like to thank Fr Martin for a wonderful service for Allan and also many thanks to all who attended the Reception and Mass and also for their generous donations to Mary's Meals.

Parish Finances: With the closure of HSBC Whitley Bay Branch it would be enormously helpful if more parishioners would consider making their **contribution to the church by standing order** with the parish, to the following account:

HSBC Name: DHN Tynemouth Our Lady & St Oswin
Account Number: 12011336
Sort code: 40-34-18

We can also collect Gift Aid donations in this way. Just let us know by e-mail to the parish office.

The Collections for World Communication Sunday raised **£287.11** and for **The Lay Training Fund** raised **£213.21**. Thank you for your generosity.

Strawberry Tea – please join us **TODAY (16th)** in St Mary's Hall after 11am mass.

We continue to pray for our Bishop Elect, Stephen Wright who will be installed at 1.00pm in the Cathedral this Wednesday 19th July. **Two tickets** have been allocated to the parish for this event. If you would like to attend please let Fr Martin know. If more than two apply, names will be 'drawn out of the hat'.

A Day Of Reflection For Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion will be held on Saturday 23 September, 10.30am-3.00pm - arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am – at St Joseph's Church, High West Street, Gateshead, NE8 1LX Cost: £10.00 per person. If interested please e-mail the parish office.

The Order of Mass can be found on Page 4 of your Hymn Book

First Reading

Isaiah 55:10-11

God cares for the earth by sending rain to make it fruitful. He cares for us by sending us his word.

Thus says the Lord: As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 64

Response: Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.

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| 1. You care for the earth, give it water,
you fill it with riches.
Your river in heaven brims over
to provide its grain. | 2. And thus you provide for the earth;
you drench its furrows,
you level it, soften it with showers
you bless its growth. |
| 3. You crown the year with your goodness.
Abundance flows in your steps,
in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. | 4. The hills are girded with joy,
the meadows covered with flocks,
the valleys are decked with wheat.
They shout for joy, yes, they sing. |

Second Reading

Romans 8:18-23

The glory which awaits us in the next life far outweighs anything we could suffer in this life.

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-9

Jesus compares the word of God to a seed falling into the ground.

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Question of the week

How do you provide “good soil” for the faith of others to grow?