

19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 12TH & 13TH AUGUST, 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.**

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gillian Knowles of Killingworth Avenue, Backworth, who died on 31 July aged 69 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 12.45pm on 16 August at Tynemouth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christopher Michael Morland of Cliff Top Cottages, Cullercoats, who died on 6 August aged 87 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am on 23 August at St Edward's Church, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

The number of Masses booked in for specific intentions is running very low. Please think about having Masses offered for your family, both living and dead, or for other intentions. There are brown Mass Intention envelopes available in the Narthex at both churches. When you have filled in the details, please put the envelope in the collection basket during Mass or hand to one of the Welcomers or to the Priest, and it will be taken to the Parish Office.

PARISH RECENTLY DECEASED

The orders of service of those who have died recently in the Parish are now displayed in the Narthex at both churches.

ST EDWARD'S — REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

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There will always be coffee, tea, milk, etc. in the St Edwards kitchen for our regular meetings, but it would be helpful if anyone organising extra or one-off meetings would log them in the Kitchen/Parish Rooms Bookings diary. This means we shouldn't run out of supplies at short notice.

IMMACULATE HEART — REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

There are refreshments after the 9.30am Mass each Wednesday at Immaculate Heart Church. Come along and meet and mingle (sometimes we have cake!).

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.

THANKS FROM STELLA MARIS

Thanks very much to all at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish for your kind support of the work of Stella Maris through our Sea Sunday 2023 appeal. We are most grateful for your total donation of £800.55. The generosity shown by your parishioners will help ensure that seafarers and fishers in this country and around the world will continue to receive the care and support that they so vitally need. May God continue to bless you abundantly for giving from the heart. Roland Hayes.

A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Vera Bolam who celebrated her 100th birthday on Thursday 3 August. We wish Vera very happy times as she continues to celebrate this great occasion with her family and friends.

IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH — FOOD BANK

As you will be aware, the school holidays began some weeks ago and that means there are thousands of children who will no longer receive a free hot meal at lunchtime. Our Lady Star of the Sea parish has always been incredibly generous to the food bank and although we would love an increase in donations, we recognise that for many people this is not possible. However, if we could spread the word about the food bank, perhaps telling family, friends and neighbours, we could increase donations this way. Immaculate Heart Church is open to receive donations every Monday from 10.00am to 12 noon. This week the Food Bank requires tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew, jam/savoury spread, hot dogs & tinned custard. Thank you as always for your generosity.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Wednesday 16 August. Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk through Hulme Park in Alnwick. This is a picturesque walk on excellent footpaths. As the park opens at 11am we will probably visit Barter Books for coffee beforehand. Meet at Immaculate Heart Church car park at 9.30am. For further details contact Jim on 07538 327784.

PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next Luncheon Club is on Thursday 31 August at the usual time of 12.00pm. Please book in advance by contacting Chris on 07984 963769 or Deirdre on 07963 570901.

MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	CHURCH
Saturday 12th August Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Trudie Jones (AG) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Monica Whalen (PW)
Sunday 13th August 19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 14th August ST MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH Assumption — Vigil Mass 7.00pm People of the Parish
Tuesday 15th August THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Ernest Voke (MV)
Wednesday 16th August ST STEPHEN OF HUNGARY	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Margaret Josephine Fielder (nee Anastasi) (JA)
Thursday 17th August	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Ines Fox (LD)
Friday 18th August	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Holy Souls (J&MR)
Saturday 19th August Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Carlo & Marianna Arrighi (LD) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 20th August 20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Liz & Bernard Hickey (L&BH)
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 13th August, 11.30	Arlo James Foster
Sunday 20th August, 11.30	Zack Alexander O'Keefe
Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eddie Meenaghan, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman & Layton Newton who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Michael Ryan, Lorraine Morales, Fr Michael McKenna, Richard Stanley Rainbow, Gillian Knowles & Christopher Michael Morland. 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, 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
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First Reading

1 Kings 19:9,11-13

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 84(85):9-14

We say the Psalm together

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps.

Second Reading

Romans 9:1-5

What I want to say now is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

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