

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP Parish of OUR LADY & ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH & ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS	Canon Martin Stempczyk St Mary's Presbytery Farringdon Road Cullercoats NE30 3EY Tel: (0191) 2513770 Deacon Gareth Rowe		<u>Local Partnership Contacts</u> Fr Christopher Hughes (Tel: 2575801) Mgr Andrew Faley (Tel: 2528021) <u>Hospital Chaplain</u> Deacon Stephen Boulter (Tel: 07768 387393)
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20th Sunday of Year A – 20th August 2023

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	20 th	20 th Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Is 56: 1-7, Rom 11: 13-32 Matt 15: 21-28
			St M	11.00am	Bill Brannon (MB)	
Mon	21 st	Dedication St Mary's Cathedral	St M	10.00am	Richard Hudson-Storey	<i>Kings 8:22-30, Eph 2:19-22, Jn 4: 19-24</i>
Tue	22 nd	Queenship of Mary			<i>No Mass</i>	
Wed	23 rd	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Priest's Intention	<i>Judges 9: 6-15, Matt 20: 1-16</i>
Thu	24 th	St Bartholomew, Apos	St M	10.00am	Andrew Boyle (MB)	<i>Apoc 21: 9-14, John 1: 45-51</i>
Fri	25 th	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Raymond Smythe (MK)	<i>Ruth 1: 1-22, Matt 22: 34-40</i>
Sat	26 th	Weekday	St M	10.00am	Allan Muir (JD)	<i>Ruth 2:1-11; 4:13-17, Matt 23: 1-12</i>
Sun	27 th	21 st Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Is 22: 19-23, Rom 11: 33-36 Matt 16: 13-20
			St M	11.00am	Lawrence Saville (A&P)	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30–10.45am in St Mary's Church
St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Daily 7.30am to 7.30pm

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in August: Mary Smith, Richard Hudson-Storey, Joan Donohoe, Victoria Madden, Lisa Stimpson, Margaret Kearney, Lilian Bland, Clare Nelson, Chloe Arcillas, Pat Scott, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Paul Mazzucchi, OR, Eileen Whalen, Rosalinda Navarro, Maureen Ruddick, Betty Briggs, Luke Goodwin, Win Brown, Les Flintham, Chris Lincoln.

Anniversaries: William Drew, Robert Marshall, Ted Raine, William Burbridge, Eileen Whitfield, Jeremy Kennedy, Kathleen Burr, Iris McKenna, Sarah McGee, Eleanor Gilbert.

A Day Of Reflection For Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion will be held on Sat 23 Sept, 10.30am-3.00pm - arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am - at St Joseph's Church, High West Street, Gateshead, NE8 1LX. Please bring a packed lunch - tea and coffee are provided. The day will include Mass. If interested please e-mail the parish office.

The new Journey of Faith (RCIA) meetings begin in the autumn. These sessions are for all those interested in joining the Church, and for all who are already members of the church but would like to refresh and deepen their understanding of their faith. If you would like to explore further becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr Martin.

Congratulations to
Kate Anderson and Jordan McCartney
who were married at St Oswin's last weekend

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 Catholic Certificate In Religious Studies (CCRS) 2023 - 2024 is available for catechists, lay leaders, teachers and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith: Cf; Diocesan website:
<https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/continuingprofessional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>

The Rosary Is prayed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel immediately after Mass on Mondays and Thursdays. All welcome.

Resources, news and much more are available on the Diocesan Website at www.rcdhn.org.uk

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

First Reading

Isiah 56: 1.6-7

God's house is open to all those who worship with sincerity.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the Sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66

Response: Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you.

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

Second Reading

Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

God never takes back his gifts. Those who return to God are sure of obtaining mercy.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord,
I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

The Story of a pagan woman who had extraordinary faith in Christ, and how that faith was rewarded.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting. 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

Question of the week

The woman in this story was persistent in prayer. For what do you pray insistently?