

<b>TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP</b> Parish of <b>OUR LADY &amp; ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH</b> & <b>ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS</b>	Canon Martin Stempczyk St Mary's Presbytery Farringdon Road Cullercoats NE30 3EY <b>Tel: (0191) 2513770</b>  Deacon Gareth Rowe		<u>Local Partnership Contacts</u> Fr Christopher Hughes <b>(Tel: 2575801)</b> Mgr Andrew Faley <b>(Tel: 2528021)</b> <u>Hospital Chaplain</u> Deacon Stephen Boulter <b>(Tel: 07768 387393)</b>
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## 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Year A – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

<b>SERVICES &amp; MASS INTENTIONS</b>						
Sun	27 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Is 22: 19-23, Rom 11: 33-36</i>
			St M	11.00am	Lawrence Saville (A&P)	<i>Matt 16: 13-20</i>
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	Augustine of Hippo, Bp	St M	10.00am	Allan Muir (Liz L)	<i>Thess 1: 1-10, Matt 23: 13-22</i>
Tue	29 <sup>th</sup>	Passion of John the Baptist			<i>No Mass</i>	
Wed	30 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Priest's Intention	<i>Thess 2: 9-13, Matt 23: 27-32</i>
Thu	31 <sup>st</sup>	St Aidan	St M	10.00am	Bill Brannon (MS)	<i>1 Cor 3: 1-9, 3, Matt 7: 21-29</i>
Fri	1 <sup>st</sup>	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Priest's Intention	<i>Thess 4: 1-8, Matt 25: 1-13</i>
Sat	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Weekday	St M	10.00am	Priest's Intention	<i>Thess 4: 9-11, Matt 25: 14-30</i>
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	<i>Jer 20: 7-9, Roms 12: 1-2</i>
			St M	11.00am	Dennis Dale (SD)	<i>Matt 16: 21-27</i>
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> 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>						

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

**And for Jenny Cawood** who died recently. May she rest in peace.

**Anniversaries:** Carole Wall, Ina McDermot, Esther King, Anne O'Kane, Ellen Russell, John Marriott, Veronica Wigham, Walter Baharie, Harry Swaddle, Alan Gilroy, Gloria Brannon, Dennis Dale, John Patterson.

**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)** for our partnership of parishes will begin in St Edward's Parish Rooms on Tuesday 19 September at 7.00pm with meetings taking place every other week. 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*  
**WILLIAM JOHN BELL AND LUCY GRACE BELL**  
*who were Baptised at St Mary's last Sunday*

**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.

**Date for your diary:** we are holding a Pizza/Quiz evening with our wonderful Ukulele band **on Friday 22 September** from 6.30pm. To give us an idea of catering needs, there is a list at back of church to sign if you'd like to attend. Cost for adults £5 but children will be free!. *All welcome!*

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

**First Reading**

*Isaiah 22:19-23*

*Here we read about one man being dismissed from high office, and the keys of authority are passed to another. The New Testament applies this text to Jesus.*

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 137*

**Response: Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple.
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul.
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he know from afar.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands.

**Second Reading**

*Romans 11:33-36*

*This is a hymn of praise to the wisdom of God, which is far too deep for us to fathom.*

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia. God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself,  
and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading**

*Matthew 16:13-20*

*This contains Peter's declaration of faith in Jesus, and Jesus' promise to make him the rock on which he will build his Church.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

**Question of the week**

**If you were asked, how would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?**