

MASS READINGS

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (YEAR A)

FIRST READING

His robe was white as snow.

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched: Thrones were set in place and one of great age took his seat. His robe was white as snow, the hair of his head as pure as wool. His throne was a blaze of flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A stream of fire poured out, issuing from his presence. A thousand thousand waited on him, ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. A court was held and the books were opened. I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages become his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty, which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: *The Lord is king most high above all the earth*

Psalm 96

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| <p>1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,
let all the coastlands be glad.
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;
his throne, justice and right.</p> | <p>2. The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.
The skies proclaim his justice;
all peoples see his glory.</p> |
| <p>3. For you indeed are the Lord
most high above all the earth
exalted far above all spirits.</p> | |

SECOND READING

We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven

Peter 1:16-19

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour." We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies, and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, the Beloved, he enjoys my favour; listen to him. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

His face shone like the sun.

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus, "Lord," he said "it is wonderful for us to be here, if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him." When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. "Stand up," he said "do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, "Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields

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We are three Roman Catholic Parishes in the eastern half of the borough of North Tyneside, within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Our website gives an overview of our three parishes and seven churches, as well as mass times, and details of parish ministries and groups.

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5th/6th August 2023 – Transfiguration of the Lord – A

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 5th August		5:30pm: Mass:
Sunday 6th August Transfiguration of the Lord - A	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live stream	
Monday 7th August		
Tuesday 8th August		9:30am: Mass: Anita Rio
Wednesday 9th August	9:30am: Mass: Mary Gibson	
Thursday 10th August		9:30am: Mass: Ann Smiles
Friday 11th August	7:00pm: Mass Sheila Boyle	
Saturday 12th August		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish
Sunday 13th August 19th Sunday of the Year - A	11:00am: Mass: Live stream	

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp group: text your name & number to 07752009361 to be added to StCuthStJosNshields Group

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

Website: www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk

Parish office: 0191 257 3408

Prayer Intentions for Ordinary Time- Summer A deeper understanding between Jews and Christians; those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights; protecting the sanctity of human life; Seafarers; Europe. We pray for all who are sick, including Patricia Conlon, Ros McGann Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Pat Skelly, Jean Slater, Frank Whillis, Barbara & Tony Hicks, Jim Campbell, Richard Sutherland, Irene Keenaghan, Eileen Stevens, Paula More, Mary Quinn, Eleanor Robson, Paul Atkinson, Francis McSherry, Mary Kidd, Mary Rowley and Antoni Kulik Please pray for Fr Michael McKenna and for all who have died recently.

Bishop Stephen Wright

On meeting Bishop Stephen last week, he stated that he was very keen to be invited to parishes, so as mentioned last week, I invited to him to the parish. He will be coming on the week-end of September 2nd & 3rd. He will preside at both Masses and I am grateful to the social committee for being willing to provide light refreshments after both Masses. I have a baptism at 12.30 pm on the Sunday, but the Bishop is willing to stay and meet people.

Since the Bishop is away on pilgrimage and vacation most of August, we are going to be one of the first parishes to welcome him for the week-end Masses. So, we are very fortunate as a parish to have the opportunity to meet him so early during his episcopacy. I do encourage as many people as possible to part of our Masses that week-end and take time to meet the Bishop Stephen after the Masses. He is genuinely keen to meet as many people as possible, so he can discover as much as possible about the diocese, its people and its work,

Although he is aware of the need for healing in the diocese he is aware of so much good work that is being done throughout the diocese. Please pray for him as this important time of healing and transition for our diocese.

Trip to Holy Island

To celebrate the feast of St Cuthbert (his translation to Durham Cathedral on September 4th, we will have a day trip to Holy Island on September 9th. We will leave at 9.30, have fish and chips at Seahouses and then go to Holy Island for just after 1pm. Please give the Coach Fare, £17 to myself or Nora Pearson

Live Simply Tip

Living Simply is based on the following three strands:

- living simply
- living in solidarity with people in poverty
- living sustainably with creation.

This week's tip: bicarbonate of soda is a natural, non-toxic product which can be used instead of harmful chemical cleaners for many household cleaning tasks. Available in biodegradable cardboard boxes if you look around. (Try Amazon).

Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancy:

Darlington, St Anne – Parish Secretary. 8 hours per week. Initial six-month contract. Closing date: 13rd August. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301

Parish Council General Meeting

The parish council has decided to bring back the Annual General Meeting, open to the whole parish. The purpose of the meeting will be for parish groups to give brief reports of their work and for parishioners to ask questions about any questions about parish life.

This will take place on Sunday 24th September at 11.00am.

This means that Mass on that day will be at 9.30am
Please note this

Synod Process

In the light of helpful comments about the worksheets and some creativity from over the coming weeks we are going to produce some accessible and well-presented versions of the worksheet. The first sheet will be this week which will be about the importance of Charity and Social and Environmental Justice as part of the mission of the Church. Future worksheets will be produced on the Church being more welcoming and the role of the women in the Church

Parish Proclaimer Group

At the meeting on Thursday 27th July the following was discussed:

- Regarding Tyne and Wear Citizens Listening Campaign encourage people at end of week-end Masses to take part in the next Issues Workshop on September 26th, 6-8pm, taking place in North Tyneside and also for the Delegates Assembly on November 22nd at Civic Centre in Newcastle
- Parish will receive 15 trees to plant in November from the Woodland Trust.
- Application for Live Simply Award to be completed by October 5th and we will ask the assessors to the parish
- Next Mass for Healing on February 10th, 2024, day before Our Lady of Lourdes. -Day of Prayer for the sick
- Webinar for Season of Creation-'Let Rivers of Justice Flow' on September 30th 10am to 12 noon. Bishop Stephen will be present.

Christian Meditation Group

The course in Christian Meditation has now finished. With over 20 people at each session. The course leaders have asked me if people can still come together to meditate, so from 24th July, there will be a Christian Meditation group at 7pm in the chapel at St Cuthbert's. All are welcome

A Liturgical Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Date: Saturday 23rd September 2023

Times: 10.30am-3.00pm - arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am

Location: St Joseph's, High West Street, Gateshead, NE8 1LX

Cost: £10.00 per person

Catering: Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be provided.

The day will include a Mass.

This Day of Reflection will be funded by your parish.

Please contact the Parish Administrator, Katherine, if you would like to take part.

Booking Deadline: Monday 18th September 2023

For further information please email:

adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

Thank You

The Little Sisters of the Poor would like to thank everyone for supporting the recent Diocesan Church Collection in aid of replacing the passenger lifts at St Joseph's Home (Newcastle). We are extremely grateful for the kindness shown to us.

We ask God to bless and reward you and your families for all you have done to help us continue the work of Saint Jeanne Jugan in caring for our elderly residents.

Assuring you of our grateful prayers.

New Translation of the Lectionary

It has just been announced by the Bishop's Conferences of England & Wales and of Scotland, that a new translation of the Lectionary will be use from Advent 2024, that is in about 18 months times

Instead of using the Jerusalem Bible translation, the new Lectionary will be using the English Standard Version with the Abbey translation for Psalms and Canticles.

I want people to know now just in case they were thinking of purchasing a new Sunday or weekday Missal, they will be out of date by early December 2024.

The reason given for this change is that we will hear the Word of God afresh in listening to a different translation

Rainbows Bereavement Support Great Britain (GB)

is a well-respected National Charity which supports Children and Young People who have experienced a significant loss through death, relationship break-down or any other Adverse Childhood Experience

Volunteers are needed to join the North East Team. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Ruth Higginbottom, Rainbows North East Secretary, on 01670 518546 or rainbows.northeast@btconnect.com

Days of Reflection and Liturgical Formation Courses Autumn 2023

Days of Reflection

- Liturgical Leaders of the Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion (Lay Leaders)
7th October | 10:30am-3:00pm | St Joseph's, Gateshead

Courses

- New Readers of the Liturgy of the Word
Commencing 9th October | 2 sessions | St Aidan's, Benton
 - Liturgical Leaders of the Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion (Lay Leaders)
Commencing 26th October | 6 sessions | St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, Newcastle upon Tyne
- For further information and booking details please visit:
https://diocesehn.org.uk/living-the-faith/liturg-prayer/?utm_source=Liturgy#events

Save Dates For Diary

Saturday, 23rd September - 7pm - Food & Folk Event-Home & Away at St. Cuthbert's

Food donations to Bay Food Bank, cash donations for CAFOD'S work in drought ridden Horn of Africa

Saturday, 30th September – 10:30am – McMillan Coffee Morning at St Cuthbert's

Saturday, 7th October – Ravenswood Choir at St Cuthbert's Ravenswood Singers in Concert

Parish Finance – Standing Orders

If you would like to set up a Standing Order the details of the parish account are:

Name: DHN North Shields St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC, Sort code: 40-34-45,

Account number 91146513 Please feel free to invite your families and friends to join us.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God. We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ. Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine. And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son. Lord have mercy. Amen.