#### MASS READINGS

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - A FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 27:30 - 28:7

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then please for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear our neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 102 Response: The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

- My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.
- His wrath will come to an end, he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.
- It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.
- For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins.

SECOND READING Romans 14: 7-9

Alive or dead we belong to the Lord

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others: if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

#### **ALLELUIA**

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

GOSPEL Matthew 18: 21-35

I do not tell you to forgive seven times but seventy-seven times.

Peter went up to Jesus and said, "Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?" Jesus answered, "Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.

"And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. 'Give me time,' he said, 'and I will pay the whole sum.' And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. 'Pay what you owe me,' he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, 'Give me time and I will pay you.' But the other would not agree, on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?' And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart."

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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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#### 16th/17th September 2023 - 24th Sunday of the Year- A Masses, Devotions and Services St Joseph's Church St Cuthbert's Church Saturday 16th September 5:30pm: Mass: Con Breen 11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish 17th September 24th Sunday of the Year - A Live stream 18th September Monday 19th September 9:30am: Mass: Tuesday Wednesday 20th September 9:30am: Service of Word and Communion 21st September 9:30am: Mass:. A Sick Peerson (OG) Thursday Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 7:00pm: Mass 23<sup>rd</sup> September 5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish Saturday 9:30am: Mass: Patsy O'Callaghan Sunday 24th September 25th Sunday of the Year - A Live stream

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

What's App 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- Autum: Students & Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; For a fruitful Harvest; All Workers; Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of war and violence. Young People; People in Prison and their Families.

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 Michael Knowles, John Dodds and for all who have died recently.

#### Bishop's Visit

I wrote a letter to Bishop Stephen to thank him for his visit and to acknowledge that people appreciated what he had to say and the way he related with you all. Please see his response. Please continue to pray for him

"Dear Fr Chris

Thank you for your kind letter and I am pleased that the parishioners appreciated my recent visit. As I mentioned to you, both parishes came across as joyful and vibrant and please pass on my thanks to all your parishioners. I look forward to being with you again in the months and years ahead. With assurance of prayers

Bishop Stephen"

#### **Baptism**

This week-end at St Joseph's at 3pm we have the baptism of Scott Ryan Celino We pray Scott and his family as he us united in Christ and join our Christian family.

#### **Parish Council**

To all members of the parish council, there is meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 21st of September at 7pm at St Cuthbert's

#### **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 parish life.

This will take place on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am. This means that Mass on that day will be at 9.30am Please note this

#### Journey in Faith

The Journey in Faith for 2023 - 2024 for the Coast partnership will begin in St Edward's meeting room on Tuesday September 19th at 7pm and the meetings will take place every other week from then until June. These meetings are open to all who are enquiring about the Catholic Faith, or already know that they wish to become a Catholic, or are already Catholic but wish to renew and deepen their understanding of the Church. Catholics who have been away from the Church for a while are warmly welcomed also. Please pass this message on to family or friends who may be interested. Please contact Fr Chris or Teresa Hills (one of the leaders) if you are interested.

#### Trip to Holy Island

A big thank-you to all who helped to arrange the trip to Holy Island. All the feedback has been very positive.

#### Flower Arranging

I have had a request to ask for volunteers to help with flower arranging at St Cuthbert's. Are you interested?

#### Garden at St Cuthbert's

Paul Laidler would appreciate some help to do some planting 9am on 30<sup>th</sup> September

#### October Month of Rosary

During the month of October, the Rosary will be said after the weekday Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and at 6.45 before the 7pm Mass on a Friday. We invite people to create prayer stations based on the various mysteries of the Rosary. At St Joseph's we will say the Joyful and sorrowful mysteries. At St Cuthbert's we have stations for the mysteries of Light and Glorious Mysteries. Any contributions will be appreciated

#### Week of Prayer of Peace in Israel/Palestine

2023 World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel,  $16^{th}$  – $23^{rd}$  September "No place to lay my head"

The World Council of Churches (WCC) invites people and churches all over the world to pray, advocate, and stand in solidarity with people in the Holy Land during the World Week of Prayer for Peace in Palestine and Israel.

There will be a time of prayer at St Cuthbert's RC Church from 4-5pmon Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September Churches Together in North Shields have been invited.

For more information please go to https://paxchristi.org.uk/campaigns/israel-and-palestine/world-week-for-peace-in-pi/

#### Discernment Evening

The next Discernment evening for those thinking about Priesthood will take place on Tuesday 3rd October at 6.00pm at the Cloister Cathedral, St Mary's Cathedral. The evening will consist of a time of prayer, a talk and will end with a meal together. If you would like to attend, please contact Father Shaun Purdy by Saturday 30th September. Email: vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk, Telephone 01207 299 012

#### **Season of Creation**

. As part of the Season of Creation the Diocesan Environment Group invites you to attend online event which will take place via Zoom at 10.00 – 12.00pm on Saturday 30th September 2023. You will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers about the Season of Creation. We will be reflecting on the Season of Creation, progress made over the last few months, with updates from parishes and schools working towards the Live Simply Award also sharing their good practice, looking ahead, plus a Q&A session with members of the DEG. Bishop Stephen has confirmed he is able to attend to give the opening address and participate in the event, including the Q&A session.

Places can be booked by clicking this link -

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/seasons-of-creation-webinar-tickets-682122455627?aff=oddtdtcreator

#### **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: Following the earthquake in Morocco, the Red Cross have launched an appeal. You can donate online at https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/donate, or by phone on 0300 004 0338.

## Webinar on Catholic Social Teaching and Community Organising

The Diocese invites you to join them on a webinar titled, 'Discipleship, Politics and Anger: Catholic Social Teaching and Community Organising'. This will be online on Thursday September 27th from 6-8pm This webinar will explore the relationship of the values of Catholic Social Teaching with the methods of broad-based community organising. We will hear how anger at injustice can be transformed to hope through organising as shown by some of our young parishioners in the Fair Fares Campaign Speakers include Sir John Battle, former MP and Chair of Leeds Citizens & Leeds Diocese's Justice & Peace Commission . To register please go to:

https://actionnetwork.org/events/discipleship-politics-and-anger-catholic-social-teaching-and-community-organising/

#### **Ravenswood Singers Choral Evening**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 7pm @ St Cuthbert's Tickets £7 per person include refreshments. (Available next weekend)

#### A Liturgical Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday 23rd September 2023. 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 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 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023. For further information please email:

adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

#### Rosary Rally:

A Rosary procession will be held on Saturday 7 October 2023 from St Joseph's Church, Gateshead to Northumberland Street, Newcastle followed by public Rosary in Northumberland Street. The day will start with First Saturday Mass and devotions at 11.00am at St Joseph's, High West Street, Gateshead (near to Gateshead Metro Station), then the Marian procession will start with a statue of Our Lady from the church at 12.30pm, walking over the Tyne Bridge before assembling in Northumberland Street to pray the Rosary starting at 1.15pm. All are welcome and anyone can join at any stage of the event.

#### Evanegelli Gaudium Sunday (Home Mission Sunday)

There will be a retiring collection this week-end for the work of the Church is its work of evangelising in this country

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word Autumn Programme

The diocese id offering training on this important ministry Session 1 Monday 30 October, 7.00 – 9.00pm

Session 2 Monday 6 November, 7.00 – 9.00pm

Venue: Saint Hilda's Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE15 7PY Cost: £10.00 per participant (invoiced via your parish following the event).

Booking Deadline: Monday 23 October 2023

Please let Katherine know in the office if you would like to register for this training

#### **Newman Association**

St Mary's church hall, Cullercoats, on Wednesday 27 September, at 7.30pm. Joe Ronan will be speaking about the project 'Catholic Voices' which seeks to improve the representation of the Church in all forms of Media

#### Sick and Housebound

If you are aware of any parishioners who were regular attenders at Mass before the pandemic but can no longer come to church will you please let Fr Chris know. Even if you have told him already since he can forget at times! It is important that as parish we are in touch with those who cannot be with us at the week-end.

#### **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

#### Save Dates For Diary

Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> 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, 30<sup>th</sup> September – 10:30am – McMillan Coffee Morning at St Cuthbert's

Wednesday October 18th 6-8pm St Cuthbert's-Death Cafe Saturday 17th and 25 November Training for Tyne and Wear Citizens 10-3pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 6-8pm Civic Centre Newcastle
Delegates Assembly of Tyne and Wear Citizens 6-8pm Civic
Centre.

As a member, the Parish will have a vote on which campaigns to

#### 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.