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26th Sunday of Year A – 1st October 2023

<u>SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS</u>						
Sun	1st	26th Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	Patrick McCumisky (TMcC)	<i>Ezek 18: 25-28, Phil 2: 1-11</i>
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	<i>Matt 21: 28-32</i>
Mon	2 nd	Holy Guardian Angels	St M	10.00am	Damien King Snr (SK)	<i>Ex 23: 20-23, Matt 18: 1-10</i>
Tue	3 rd	Weekday			No Mass	
Wed	4 th	St Francis of Assisi	St O	10.00am	Joan Harrison (JH)	<i>Neh 2: 1-8, Luke 9: 57-62</i>
Thu	5 th	Weekday	St M	10.00am	David Hall (DH)	<i>Neh 8: 1-12, Luke 10: 1-12</i>
Fri	6 th	Weekday	St O	10.00am	Patricia Stempczyk	<i>Baruch 1: 15-22, Luke 10: 13-16</i>
Sat	7 th	Our Lady of the Rosary	St M	10.00am	Nancy Firth (LF)	<i>Baruch 4: 5-29, Luke 10: 17-24</i>
Sun	8th	27th Sunday of Year A	St O	9.30am	Jen and Pat (JW)	<i>Is 5: 1-7, Phil 4: 6-9,</i>
			St M	11.00am	Sally Conway (LB)	<i>Matt 21: 33-43</i>
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 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 October: New list available. [Names to be re-signed.](#)

And for Alec Turner who died recently. A Requiem Mass for Alec will be celebrated on **Friday 13th October, 10.00am** at St Mary's church, followed by cremation at Tynemouth crematorium. May he rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Margaret James, Frank Nugent, Monica Bolger, Tess Snowball, Jessie Jackson, Clare Bradley, James Shields, Peter Whalen, Sylvia Cambridge, Nora Scurr, Maureen Hunt, Nancy Firth, Patricia Stempczyk.

First Holy Communion Children meet with the catechists in the church hall this Sunday at 11.00am. They will join their parents in church at Mass at the offertory.

The Next Parish Open Meeting will take place on **Wednesday 4th October 6.30pm** in St Mary's church Hall. All welcome.

The next Partnership Baptism preparation course takes place on Thursday 5th October, 7pm in St Mary's church hall.

This Friday is Family Fast Day. CAFOD envelopes will be available for collection after Mass today and can be returned in the coming weeks.

Courses for New Readers and New Catechists for Children's Liturgy begin in October and are advertised on the Diocesan Website. If interested e-mail parish office.

Thank you: Ruth and Bill Dixon would like to thank Fr Martin for the wonderful service to celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary, and also everyone who attended. Many thanks too for the gifts, cards, and good wishes.

PIZZA/QUIZ NIGHT: This coming **Friday 6 Oct, 6.30pm.** Bring own wine if you wish! Adults £5, children free! Today last chance to buy a ticket, available with payment back of church after 11am Mass in the hall.

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A Day of Recollection for all involved in any Lay Ministry in our Partnership Parishes will take place on 14 October at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, led by Amy Cameron. The day will begin with Mass at 9.30am and conclude at 3:30pm. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch. Please let the Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Office know by 11 Oct if you are attending (parishoffice@btconnect.com) – 0191 2527066.

The Diocese has a number of job vacancies: In the Dept. for Education: Senior Administrator & Primary Adviser & Secondary Adviser. All roles based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle. See www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

We pray for the Forthcoming Synod in Rome:

"The Synod meeting is not an ecclesiastical UN Assembly, nor a Church parliament or convention, nor a referendum on the teaching of the Church. In the words of Pope Francis, it is to be 'a grace-filled event, a process of healing guided by the Holy Spirit', a setting out on a journey 'with the Lord always coming to meet us'. The overall aim of the October meeting has been clearly set out: how can we become a listening Church, one that is profoundly open to all, humble and seeking forgiveness".
(Cardinal Vincent Nichols)

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Each of us is responsible for his or her own conduct, and will be judged accordingly.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: You object, What the Lord does is unjust. Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24

Response: Remember your mercy, Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.
3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

Self-seeking and rivalry have no place in the Christian community. We must imitate the humility of Christ.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. If anyone loves me he will keep my word.
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:28-32

Actions speak louder than words.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

Question of the week

When have your actions not measured up to your promises? What was the outcome?