

**28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 14TH & 15TH OCTOBER, 2023**

**The Cycle of Prayer**

**Ordinary Time - Autumn**

During Ordinary Time from September to Advent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.**

**FUNERALS**

- Please pray for the soul of Valerie Cotton of Harle Road, Backworth, who died on 24 September aged 75 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 11.00am on 18 October at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, followed by burial at Earsdon Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen. Parishioners are welcome to attend.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Sharpe of Eothen Care Home, Whitley Bay, who died on 5 October aged 92 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on 27 October at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

**MORNING MASS SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER**

Please note that 9.30am Mass on Saturday 14 October will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart Church and not at St Edward's due to the Partnership Day of Recollection. There will be no Confessions after Mass.

**ST THOMAS MORE ACADEMY STUDENTS AT MASS**

Welcome to the students from St Thomas More Academy who will join us for 9.30am Mass at Immaculate Heart Church on 18 October.

**IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH — FOOD BANK**

Thanks to everyone who is able to support the Food Bank. Even though everyone is finding life difficult, your generosity never fails. The Food Bank is currently in need of Jam/savoury Spreads, tinned custard, Soup, Baby Food - tins, packets, jars etc. Thank you.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING MASS**

Children's Liturgy of the Word is available on the second and third Sundays of each month at both churches. October's dates are: Immaculate Heart Church, Monkseaton. Saturday 6:00pm, 14 October. St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, Sunday 10:00am, 15 October. Children between 3 and 11 years are welcome.

**PARISH WALKING GROUP**

The next walk will be on Friday 20th October. Peter Weighill will lead a 6 mile walk from Great Lumley, passing the Duck Hospital, the River Wear, Lumley Castle, before returning to

Great Lumley via Little Lumley. Please meet at Immaculate Heart at 9.30am. If you require more information please contact Peter on 0191 2512917.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, 22 OCTOBER — SECOND COLLECTION**

World Mission Sunday on 22 October is when the Church unites through prayer for its missionary activity, and by collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world in situations of poverty and turmoil. The theme chosen by the Holy Father is: 'Hearts on fire, feet on the move' (Luke 24). In his message, Pope Francis encourages us to set hearts ablaze with God's love and compassion for 'everyone has the right to receive the Gospel and we as Christ's followers have the duty to proclaim it without excluding anyone.' Donations and prayers have a direct impact on Catholic communities overseas where the Church is too young, too small, or too poor to flourish without help from the rest of the Church. Our donations help build the Church, support vocations, and enable missionaries to carry out their mission in often dangerous and remote places. Thank you for your ongoing support of *Missio* through prayer and charity. For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit [missio.org.uk/wms](http://missio.org.uk/wms).

**PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB**

The next Luncheon Club will be held on Thursday 26th October 2023 at 12.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton. Please book in advance by contacting Chris on 07984 963769 or Deirdre on 07963 570901. Tickets costing £4.00 for the Christmas Lunch to be held on Thursday 14th December 2023 will be available.

**FAMILY PIZZA NIGHT & QUIZ**

Anyone interested in coming along to a Family Pizza Night on 3rd November at Immaculate Heart Church, please sign up on the forms at the back of each church. Tickets are £7. Bring your own wine. Family tickets (2 Adults and 2 Children) are £20. For further details contact Jim Gunning on 07538327784.

## OTHER NOTICES

### FIRST STEPS — EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH ONLINE

The Vicariate for Faith and Mission is pleased to offer **First Steps** this Autumn. Are you wondering about your relationship with God and not sure where to start? **First Steps** is aimed at people who are thinking about their faith or their relationship with God. If you are wondering if joining the Catholic Church is the next step for you, this may be the way forward. For further information, or to register, please visit <https://bit.ly/3sHgZOF>. **First Steps** began on 11 October at 7.00pm and runs for 7 weeks via Zoom.

### EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBITION

The Association of the Eucharist will be hosting an exhibition about Blessed Carlo Acutis and his documentation of Eucharistic Miracles from around the world. The exhibition will be held at St Joseph's Church, Gateshead from Saturdays 14th to 28th October. The exhibition will be available to visit on a daily basis. More details about the launch and timings to follow. Event details can be found at <https://bit.ly/DHNCarloAcutis>.

### NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING COURSE

The help provided by these ministers in distributing Communion in Church and taking Holy Communion to the Sick is of great importance in the life our parishes. The programme consists of three sessions held at Sacred Heart and St Cuthbert Church, 37 High Street, Amble, NE65 0LE.

**Session 1:** Tuesday, 7 November, 7.00pm - 9.00pm.

**Session 2:** Tuesday, 14 November, 7.00pm - 9.00pm.

**Session 3:** Saturday, 18 November, 10.30am – 4.00pm  
Arrivals and registration from 10.00am. Participants bring your own packed lunch - tea and coffee provided. The Saturday session ends with a Mass of Commissioning at 3.00pm. **Cost:** £15 per participant.

**Please contact your Parish Priest for his permission to attend. The parish secretary will complete a registration form on your behalf.**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - AUTUMN FORMATION PROGRAMME

We are offering formation for those new to this ministry and anyone who would like a refresher. There are two sessions looking at principles, practicalities and resources for Children's Liturgy of the Word. The programme ends with a Blessing and participants will receive a Certificate recording their training. The programme consists of two sessions: Monday, 30 October, 7.00pm – 9.00pm and Monday, 6 November, 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Both sessions are held at Saint Hilda's Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE15 7PY. **Cost:** £10.00 per participant (invoiced via your parish following the event).

**Please contact your Parish Priest for his permission to attend. The parish secretary will complete a registration form on your behalf. Booking Deadline: 23 October 2023.**

### NORTH EAST CATHOLIC HISTORY SOCIETY

The next lecture for the North East Catholic History Society will be at 2pm on Wednesday 1st November at St Joseph's Centre, High Street West, Gateshead on the subject of Franciscan Missionaries of the Divine Motherhood ; post war expansion. The lecturer will be Brian Casey. Non-members welcome for a fee of £1.00, . Refreshments available.

### PROUD CATHOLICS

Proud Catholics is a support group for Catholics in the Diocese who identify as LGBT+ or who are questioning their sexual or gender identity. We are now an established group within the Diocese and part of the Vicariate of Caritas. If you would like further information about what we do please visit: <https://proud Catholics.co.uk>. You can also find information about the group on the diocesan website, in the Caritas and Outreach section - Diocesan groups

#### Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwardsne26@btconnect.com	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntl.org.uk	0191 6432080
<b>Cluster Website</b>	<b><a href="http://www.northyntesidecatholic.org.uk">www.northyntesidecatholic.org.uk</a></b>	

A comprehensive Parish Directory is held in the Parish Office. The directory contains names and contact numbers for those responsible for various groups and activities in our Parish. Telephone the number below if you have an enquiry.

Current Parish Office opening hours: Wednesday & Thursday, 9.15am - 4pm and Friday 9.15am - 2pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.  
For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - email [parishofficeolss@btconnect.com](mailto:parishofficeolss@btconnect.com) or telephone 0191 2527066.  
Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 3.00pm on Wednesday.

MASSES & OTHER SERVICES	
DAY & DATE	CHURCH
Saturday 14th October <b>ST CALLISTUS</b> Confessions 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 9.30am Rosemary & Jon (LD) <b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 6.00pm Bill Hamblin (M&AB)
Sunday 15th October <b>28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 10.00am People of the Parish
Monday 16th October <b>ST HEDWIG</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tuesday 17th October <b>ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 9.30am Margaret Beadlien (NBF)
Wednesday 18th October <b>ST LUKE, EVANGELIST</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 9.30am Harry Purdy (JP) 11.00am <b>FUNERAL SERVICE</b> Valerie Cotton
Thursday 19th October <b>ST PAUL OF THE CROSS</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 9.30am Thanksgiving for the Marriage of Malcolm & Liz Louvre
Friday 20th October	<b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 9.30am Word & Communion
Saturday 21st October Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 9.30am Lorraine Moore (MS) <b>IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH</b> 6.00pm Eileen & Neen Slater
Sunday 22nd October <b>29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>ST EDWARD'S CHURCH</b> 10.00am People of the Parish
<b>Please remember in your prayers:</b> Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eddie Meenaghan, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Layton Newton, Eileen Scott & Pat Tinker who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Ron Lippe, Lorraine Moore, Patrick (Mike) Cahill, Joan Dixon, Audrey Jeffs, Valerie Cotton & Catherine Sharpe. May they rest in peace. Amen.	

**G**lory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**I** believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible  
and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten  
Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true  
God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the  
Father; through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he came down  
from heaven,  
**(At these words, all bow)**  
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin  
Mary, and became man.*  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on  
the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

**North Tyneside General Hospital & Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital, Cramlington:** Contact the Chaplaincy on 0191 2934268 or Father Sebastian on 01670 712476.

**RVI, Freeman and Walkergate Hospitals:** Contact Fr Arockia Mariadass Pagyasamy OCD, on 0191 2733903.

**Newcastle General Hospital:** Sister Teresa, 0191 2336161 ext. 28465.

#### PRIESTS' TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Mgr Andrew Faley 0191 2528021, Fr Chris Hughes 0191 2575801, Fr David Smith 0191 2623882, Canon Martin Stempczyk 0191 2513770.

**READINGS AT MASS**  
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**First Reading**

**Isaiah 25:6-10**

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 22(23)**

**We say the Psalm together**

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| <p>1. The Lord is my shepherd;<br/>there is nothing I shall want.<br/>Fresh and green are the pastures<br/>where he gives me repose.<br/>Near restful waters he leads me,<br/>to revive my drooping spirit.</p> <p>3. You have prepared a banquet for me<br/>in the sight of my foes.<br/>My head you have anointed with oil;<br/>my cup is overflowing.</p> | <p>2. He guides me along the right path;<br/>he is true to his name.<br/>If I should walk in the valley of darkness<br/>no evil would I fear.<br/>You are there with your crook and your staff;<br/>with these you give me comfort.</p> <p>4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me.<br/>all the days of my life<br/>In the Lord's own house shall I dwell<br/>for ever and ever</p> |
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**Second Reading**

**Philippians 4:12-14,19-20**

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Matthew 22:1-14**

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.' The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**