

32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR A, 11TH & 12TH NOVEMBER, 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.**

HOLY LAND — PRAYERS FOR PEACE

We pray for peace in the Holy Land, in Ukraine and in all other war-torn areas of the world. Violence always impacts most on the vulnerable. As well as our prayers, the Catholic community in England and Wales is ready to help with the growing needs of the people in Gaza. The CAFOD emergency appeal for the Holy Land is at: <https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/israeli-palestinian-crisis-appeal>.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

The next meeting of the Journey in Faith is at 7.00pm on Tuesday 14 November in St Edward's Parish Rooms. All are welcome.

PPC MEETING — 14 NOVEMBER

The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 14 November at Immaculate Heart Church at 7.00pm. If there are any matters which parishioners wish to raise at that meeting, please contact the parish office on 0191 2527066 or email parishofficeolss@btconnect.com.

PARTNERSHIP PARISHES — SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

The annual Remembrance Service for our Partnership Parishes will take place on Thursday 16 November at 7.30pm in St. Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. This is a service of prayer, readings and music when we remember all those we love who have died, particularly those who have died within the last year. It will last about an hour. The names of those entered in the Parish Death Registers over the last 12 months will be read out during the Service. If there is anyone who has died since November 2022 who is not on our Register but you would like them remembered at the Service, please give their name to the Parish Secretary: parishofficeolss@btconnect.com. This invitation is open to everyone in our community whether or not you have been affected directly by bereavement, whether or not you are a churchgoer. It is an opportunity to come together to pray for and support each other. If you know of anyone who may not see the bulletin please extend the invitation to them if you think they would like to attend. There will be refreshments in the Parish rooms following the Service.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

If anyone wishes to have the name of a deceased loved one in the Book of Remembrance at St Edward's Church, please fill in a form in the blue box next to the book and it will be added in due course.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS — PREPARATION MEETING - 22 NOVEMBER

There will be a meeting after the 9.30 Mass on Wednesday 22 November at Immaculate Heart Church in the Upper Meeting Room to prepare for Advent and Christmas. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy is held on the second and third Sundays of each month at both churches.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Monkseaton - Saturday evening 6:00 pm, 11th November & 18th November.
St Edwards, Whitley Bay - Sunday morning 10:00 am, 12th November & 19th November.

All of our young children aged between 3 and 11 are invited to attend.

FAMILY PIZZA NIGHT

Peter, Jim and Chris would like to thank everybody who came along to the pizza night last Friday and all those who helped in the kitchen. A good time was had by all! Thank you also to the Di Meo family who supplied the pizzas at cost price.

FOOD BANK REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR 2023 — WEEK 1

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	 Festive Extras
Pot Noodles	Tinned soup	Jam	Tooth-paste	Long Life Milk	Tin of Sweets

The idea is that we give an item on each of 24 days in the run up to Christmas. Each week there will be 5 everyday items and 1 'festive' item. We begin early so that the Food Bank has time to get things sent out before Christmas. As always we are grateful for anything you can give.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Monday 20 November. Jim Gunning will lead a 6 mile walk from Longbenton Metro Station through Jesmond Dene & Armstrong Park to Newcastle. Meet at West Monkseaton Metro Station at 9.30am. For further details contact Jim on 07538 327784.

PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next Luncheon Club will be held on Thursday 30 November at 12.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church. Please book in advance by contacting Chris on 07984 963769 or Deirdre on 07963 570901. There are a limited number of tickets still available for Christmas Lunch on 14 December at a cost of £4.00.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

We are planning a Christmas party at Immaculate Heart Church on Sunday 17 December from 2pm - 4pm for children up to the age of 11, with a visit and gift from Santa! If you would like to put your child's name down there will be lists at the back of each church from this weekend. Tickets will be available from 18/19 November and also from the parish office (open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday). Tickets cost £4 and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

OTHER NOTICES

SIGNIFICANCE GRAND DRAW

Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly, supports the work of the Emmaus Village and provides opportunities for young people to reach their full potential. Thank you to all who have supported the Significance Grand Draw which closes on Friday 17 November. All ticket stubs and payment should be returned by this date to Significance, Emmaus Village, Pemberton Road, Allensford, Consett, DH8 9BA. Cheques payable to Significance. Payment can also be made by bank transfer: Significance Sort Code: 52-30-44, Account Number: 46107363. Please put your name as reference. The Draw, which will be live streamed, takes place on Youth Sunday, 26 November after 11am Mass at St Peter's, Low Fell, Gateshead. Please contact significance316@gmail.com for further information.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR — CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The Little Sisters of the Poor are having a Christmas Fayre at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle on Saturday 25 November from 1pm - 4pm. All are welcome to attend.

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE

We invite you to come and hear Emma Wells speaking about her book 'Heaven on Earth: The Lives and Legacies of the World's Greatest Cathedrals' at St Mary's Church Hall, Cullercoats on Wednesday 29 November at 7.30pm. Dr Emma J. Wells is a historian, author and broadcaster. She is a historic buildings consultant, formerly Lecturer in Ecclesiastical and Architectural History at the University of York and now Research Fellow in Archaeology at Durham University. Her book is a glorious illustrated history of sixteen of the world's greatest cathedrals, interwoven with the extraordinary stories of the people who built them. The Times calls it 'An impeccable guide to the golden age of ecclesiastical architecture'.

NORTH EAST CATHOLIC SOCIETY

The next lecture from the North East Catholic Society will be on Wednesday 6 December at 2pm at St Joseph's Centre, High Street West, Gateshead on the subject of The Italian links with Ushaw College. The lecturer will be Lucia Luck. Non-members welcome for a fee of £1.00. Refreshments available.

INVITATION FROM THE SACRED HEART SISTERS IN FENHAM

The Society of the Sacred Heart has spent the last year giving thanks and celebrating their arrival in England on 8 December 1842. This year the celebration of our 180 years in this country draws to a close on 8 December 2023. We, the Sisters in Fenham, would like to invite those who have shared our mission of Education in Fenham over the years as students, pupils, staff and friends from the Sacred Heart Schools or St Mary's Teacher Training College to join us for Mass in St Robert's Church, Bolbec Rd, Fenham at 6.00pm on that day. Come along and meet old friends. Bishop Seamus Cunningham will be the celebrant as he was the College Chaplain for many years. To have some idea of numbers for the Mass leaflets please RSVP to rscjfenham@yahoo.com by 30 November or leave a message on 0191 4223840.

CAFOD — WORLD GIFTS

World gifts are a wonderful way for parish communities to share the hope and joy of Christmas with our global family. Please take a catalogue (at the back of each church) or visit our website cafod.org.uk/worldgifts. Thank you.

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
Cluster Website	www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk	

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 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 11th November ST MARTIN OF TOURS Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Eileen Conlan (JC) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 12th November 32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Norman & Julia Judge (Judge Family)
Monday 13th November	NO MASS
Tuesday 14th November	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Fr Joseph Scarr (MHD)
Wednesday 15th November ST ALBERT THE GREAT	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am John Hughes (MH)
Thursday 16th November ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Catherine Kimmitt (JK)
Friday 17th November ST HILDA OF WHITBY	IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Joan Waugh (BW)
Saturday 18th November Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Robert Conlan (JC) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm Monica Whalen (PW)
Sunday 19th November 33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am People of the Parish
BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 12th November, 11.30am	Roberto Alejandro Acevedo Murphy

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eddie Meenaghan, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Layton Newton, Eileen Scott, Pat Tinker & Michael Thrist who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently, especially Catherine Sharpe, Esme Wragg, Dan Stutt, Martha Goulbourn & Irene Miller. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Glory 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

Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 62(63):2-8

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. | 2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. |
| 3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. | 4. On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. |

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**