

TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP
Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

We are a Safeguarding Parish and respect the dignity of all.

St Edward, Coquet Avenue,
Whitley Bay, NE26 1EE
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Church Close,
Monkseaton, NE25 9PG
Our Lady & St Edmund, Station Road,
Backworth, NE27 ORU

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B, 13TH & 14TH APRIL, 2024

The Cycle of Prayer

Eastertide

During Eastertide, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.**

EASTER BLESSINGS & THANKS

As we celebrate Jesus conquering sin and death, we are grateful for all the support and care we give and receive from one another in our Parish and beyond. Christian hope gives us direction for life, for our patience with each other, and for our ability to see the gift of each other beyond our weakness. We pray this Easter for a renewing of hope in our war-torn world and for peace especially in the Holy Land, Ukraine and Sudan. Thanks to all who have done so much to make Lent and Easter so prayerful. I am grateful for your continuing support and prayers and your Easter cards and gifts. I wish you and your families and friends Easter blessings and prayers. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Mgr Andrew.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joe Hayes of Muirfield, Monkseaton, who died on 29 March aged 92 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 3.00pm on 22 April at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

HOLY LAND — PRAYERS FOR PEACE

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

SUNDAY 21 APRIL

Sunday 21 April is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. A special collection will be taken for the Little Sisters of the Poor.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Last Sunday's collection raised £416.88 for the Northern Brethren Fund for Sick & Retired Priests. Thank you to all those who donated so generously.

ST EDWARD'S SUNDAY COLLECTION

Volunteer parishioners are needed to assist with the counting of the weekly Sunday collection at St. Edward's Church. This would involve 2 parishioners jointly counting the collection and taking the cash to the Post Office for banking. Ideally, we are looking to have 4 groups of 2 parishioners each so that a rota can be established. If you feel you are able to assist, please contact the parish office for further details on 0191 2527066 or email parishofficeolss@btconnect.com. Many thanks.

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments are available at St Edward's Church in the parish rooms after the Sunday 10.00am Mass and the Thursday 9.30am Mass, and at Immaculate Heart Church in the ground floor meeting room on Monday mornings (apart from Bank Holidays) and after the Wednesday 9.30am Mass. Please come along.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2024

Monsignor Faley and the Catechist Team are looking forward to meeting the families of this year's children. Our first meeting for parents/carers is on Wednesday 17 April at Immaculate Heart Church, Monkseaton, from 7.15pm to 8.30pm. The first session for the children will take place on Monday 22 April at Immaculate Heart Church from 5.00pm until 6.15pm. Please email any queries to the Catechist Team at 1holycommunionolss@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy takes place on the second and third Sundays of each month at both churches. **Immaculate Heart of Mary, Monkseaton** - Saturday evening 6:00pm, 13 & 20 April. **St Edwards, Whitley Bay** - Sunday morning 10:00am 14 & 21 April. All of our young children aged between 3 and 11 are invited to attend.

SAFEGUARDING — SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

To make sure children are kept safe at all times in St Edward's Church and Immaculate Heart Church, parents and carers are asked to go with their children when using the toilets in both churches. Thank you.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone who contributes so regularly. The next collection is on Monday 15 April. The food bank is currently in need of pot noodles, microwave rice, tinned fruit & sweet snacks – chocolate etc. Thank you.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

The next meeting of the Journey in Faith is on Tuesday 23 April at 7.00pm in St Edward's Parish Rooms. All are welcome.

MEETING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS — 24 APRIL

A meeting for Eucharistic Ministers will take place on Wednesday 24 April after the 9.30am Mass at Immaculate Heart Church. We look forward to seeing all of you there. Please let me know by email if you have any items to discuss: stedwardne26@btconnect.com. Many thanks.
Mgr Andrew.

PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next Luncheon Club will be held on Thursday 25 April at 12.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton. Please book in advance by contacting Chris on 07984963769 or Deidre on 07963570901.

PAUL MALCOLM — ANNUAL LEAVE

Paul (our Caretaker/Cleaner) is on annual leave from Thursday 18 April till Friday 3 May. If there are any issues with cleaning supplies, please contact the Parish Office.

POLLING DAY — 2 MAY

Immaculate Heart Church is a Polling Station for the elections to be held on 2 May. Volunteers are needed to open up the church at 6.00am and then close it again at 10.00pm. We're looking for an early bird and a night owl! Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

SUMMER FAIR — SUNDAY 26 MAY

We would like to have a plant stall at the summer fair so if any gardeners could donate cuttings, seedlings or spare plants we would be grateful. We also need people to volunteer an hour or so of their time to help in the kitchen serving refreshments or to help on a stall. If you can help in any way please contact Chris on 07984963769.

OTHER NOTICES

MAYORAL ASSEMBLY — 22 APRIL

Tyne & Wear Citizens invite you to our Mayoral Assembly on Monday 22 April 2024, 6.00pm - 8.00pm at the Tyne Theatre & Opera House in Newcastle. At this Assembly, the main candidates will be asked to respond to some of the issues that Tyne and Wear Citizens have been campaigning on. Please join us.

SURVIVORS MASS — ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

To show further support for victims and survivors of abuse there will be a '*Survivors Mass*' celebrated by Bishop Stephen on Tuesday 30 April 2024 at 12.05pm at St Mary's Cathedral in Newcastle.

PUBLIC LECTURE BY PROFESSOR EAMON DUFFY

Holy Name Parish in Jesmond invites you to hear this eminent historian speak on *Celebrity Priest: Monsignor Robert Hugh Benson and the End of the World*, on Saturday 4 May in the church (North Jesmond Avenue, NE2 3JX). The church will open at 11.00am for an 11.30am start and will end at 12.30pm. Cold drinks will be served after the lecture when there may be a chance to chat with Professor Duffy.

HOLY ISLAND SVP VINNIES CAMP

There are places still available for boys and girls in school years 5 - 7 (inclusive) at Holy Island Children's Camp. A week's traditional holiday with meals and transport costs just £150! If you would like your child to have a week's holiday on Holy Island this summer please visit our site <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island>. If you know of any child who would benefit from a holiday but may need assistance to pay, please email holyislandapplications@svp.org.uk

JOB VACANCIES

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies: **Administrator, St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle** – full-time. Closing date: 16 April. **IT Field Engineer (two posts) Diocesan Offices, Newcastle** – full-time, 9-month fixed term contract. Closing date: 21 April. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 2433301.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR APPEAL

St Joseph's Home (Little Sisters of the Poor) urgently need to replace some of the kitchenettes and furnishings. Flooring on the main corridors of the care units needs essential upgrades for the safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents and to maintain standards of infection control. A collection for St Joseph's Home will be taken on Good Shepherd Sunday (20/21 April). If you wish to make a private contribution, you can send a cheque made payable to 'Little Sisters of the Poor' to St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7QA. Secure online donations can be made by visiting our website at: www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/. The Little Sisters of the Poor are deeply grateful for your continued support and prayers. Your generosity plays a vital role in enabling them to fulfil their mission of providing safe, affordable, and quality care to vulnerable older people in need. Please know that your contribution, no matter the size, will make a difference to the lives of the residents.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

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| Monsignor Andrew Faley | stedwardsne26@btconnect.com | 0191 2528021 |
| Star of the Sea Primary School | starofthesea.primary@ntlp.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 | |
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| DAY & DATE | CHURCH |
| Saturday 13th April Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Joseph Mulgrove (DC) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish |
| Sunday 14th April 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am Gerald & Maureen Lennon (LMcG) |
| Monday 15th April | No Mass |
| Tuesday 16th April ST BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Word & Communion |
| Wednesday 17th April | IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Brian, Fiona & Mark Smith (KS) |
| Thursday 18th April | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am Jeff Blakey (AB) |
| Friday 19th April | IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 9.30am Ada Storey (M & CMcA) |
| Saturday 20th April Confessions 10.00am St Edward's 5.30pm Immaculate Heart | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 9.30am The Rumney Family (GR) IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH 6.00pm People of the Parish |
| Sunday 21st April 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH 10.00am A Sick Daughter (LH) |
| BAPTISM | ST EDWARD'S CHURCH |
| Sunday 14th April, 11.30am | Penelope Stephanie Ann Thompson |

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Layton Newton, Eileen Scott, Michael Thrift, Elizabeth (Betty) Harrison, Terry Murray, Monica Ramsay & Mary Storey who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for those who have died recently: Jim Selby, Aileen Purvis, Cordula Preston, Jeff Spence, Joe Hayes & Mgr. Philip Carroll. 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.

*During Easter the Church encourages us to profess
the Apostles' Creed in Sunday Mass. This Creed is
closely connected with the newly-baptised.*

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our lord,
(at the words that follow, all bow)

*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,*

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic
Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body
and life everlasting. 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
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B, 13TH & 14TH APRIL, 2024

First Reading

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.' The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 4:2,4,7,9

We say the Psalm together

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| 1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! | 2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. |
| 3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. | 4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. |

Second Reading

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.' The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**