

<b>TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP</b> Parish of <b>OUR LADY &amp; ST OSWIN'S TYNEMOUTH</b> & <b>ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS</b>	Canon Martin Stempczyk St Mary's Presbytery Farringdon Road Cullercoats NE30 3EY Tel: (0191) 2513770		<b>Local Partnership Contacts</b> Fr Christopher Hughes (Tel: 2575801) Mgr Andrew Faley (Tel: 2528021) Hospital Chaplain Deacon Stephen Boulter (Tel: 07768 387393)
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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Year B – 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS						
Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Acts 10: 25-48, 1 John 4: 7-10 John 15: 9-17
			St M	11.00am	Peter (taking exams) (RC)	
Mon	6 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday of Easter	St M	10.00am	Priest's Intention	Acts 16:11-25, John 15:26;16: 4
Tue	7 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday of Easter			No Mass	
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday of Easter	St O	10.00am	Isabella Mason	Acts 17: 15;18:1John 16: 12-15
Thu	9 <sup>th</sup>	The Ascension	St M	10.00am	People of the Parish	Acts 1: 1-11, Eph 1: 17-23 Mark 16: 15-20
			St O	7.00pm	Priest's Intention	
Fri	10 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday of Easter	St O	10.00am	Priest's Intention	Acts 18: 9-18, John 16: 20-23
Sat	11 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday of Easter	St M	10.00am	Zophia (GH)	Acts 18: 23-28, John 16: 23-28
Sun	12 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	St O	9.30am	Maureen & Gordon Hogg (BH)	Acts 1: 15-26, 1 John 4: 11-16 John 17: 11-19
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30am – 10.45am at St Mary's Church St Mary's (St M) Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Daily 7.30am to 7.30pm						

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers in May:** Clive Button, Angela King, Dave Child, Maureen Ruddick, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Eileen Whalen, Peter Goodwin, Luke Goodwin, Sheila Lamb.

**And for Catherine Thirkle** who died recently. Her funeral service will take place at Tynemouth Crematorium on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May 12.45pm. May she rest in peace.

**Anniversaries:** Joanna Drummond, Mary McConnon, Mary Pelton, Simon Swales, Theresa Bainbridge, Tony Murphy, Brenda Miller, Moira Heslop, Desmond Maguire, Eleanor May, Helen Bates, Rosa Arnone, Thomas Delaney, James McGovern, Barbara Hunter, Rosemary Riley.

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** The next Confirmation meeting will be held on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May 6.30-8.00pm at Our Lady & St Columba's church, Wallsend. The Sacrament will now be celebrated on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm at St Cuthbert's by Bishop Stephen. We keep our young people in our prayers.

**On Thursday** we celebrate the **Feast of the Ascension** of the Lord. There will be two Masses that day, 10.00am at St Mary's – which will be led by the school children and 7.00pm at St Oswin's. Please make every effort to celebrate this Holy day of obligation.

**Date for your Diary:** Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Island takes place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July – the list to sign up will be at back of church from next Sunday.

**Parish Finances:** It would be enormously helpful if more parishioners would consider making their **contribution to the church via a monthly standing order** with the parish, to the following account:

HSBC Name: DHN Tynemouth Our Lady & St Oswin  
 Account Number: 12011336  
 Sort code: 40-34-18

We can also collect Gift Aid donations in this way. Just let us know by e-mail to the parish office. *This would save on the accounting admin required.*

**The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancy: IT Field Engineer (two posts)** Diocesan Offices, Newcastle – full-time, 9-month fixed term contract. Closing date: 6 May. Visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details.

**Copies of the Northern Cross** are available at back of Church, £1.50 per copy.

**All are Welcome to the Significance Festival Weekend** being held at the Emmaus Village on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June** from 10.00am. The day will offer a fayre of stalls and activities, sessions for children and young people, guest speakers and live music. Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright will take place at 3.15pm, followed by a Barbecue and Ceilidh in the evening. Entry is free with charges for accommodation and camping (self-catered) on Friday and Saturday nights. BBQ tickets will cost £10. All proceeds and any donations will support Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. Please support this vital work. To book email Nicole at [nsalkeld@ymt.org](mailto:nsalkeld@ymt.org) or Tel. 01207 592244.

**First Reading**

*Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48*

*The baptism of Cornelius, a pagan, shows that God's salvation is offered to all.*

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. Stand up, he said, I am only a man after all! Then Peter addressed them: The truth I have now come to realise, he said, is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him. While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have? He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 97*

**Response: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations**

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| 1. Sing a new song to the Lord<br>for he has worked wonders.<br>His right hand and his holy arm<br>have brought salvation.    | 2. The Lord has made known his salvation;<br>has shown his justice to the nations.<br>He has remembered his truth and love<br>for the house of Israel. |
| 3. All the ends of the earth have seen<br>the salvation of our God.<br>Shout to the Lord all the earth,<br>ring out your joy. |  |

**Second Reading**

*1 John 4:7-10*

*This contains what is probably the most important statement ever made about God.*

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

**Gospel Acclamation**

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

**Gospel Reading**

*John 15:9-17*

*Jesus leaves his friends the supreme commandment of love.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants anymore, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

**Question of the week**

*(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)*

**How is love of others connected to love for God?**