

# TYNEMOUTH PRIORY PARTNERSHIP

## PARISH OF OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

St Edward's Church, Coquet Avenue

Whitley Bay NE26 1EE

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Church Close

West Monkseaton NE25 9PG

## PARISH OF ST MARY'S, CULLERCOATS & OUR LADY'S & ST OSWIN'S, TYNEMOUTH

St Mary's Church, Farringdon Road

Cullercoats NE30 3EY

Our Lady's & St Oswin's Church, Front Street

Tynemouth NE30 4BX

*We are Safeguarding Parishes and respect the dignity of all.*

*Our churches are monitored by recording security devices.*

## 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C, 14TH & 15TH DECEMBER, 2024

### The Cycle of Prayer

### Advent & Christmas

During Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for these intentions: Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

This Advent, we stand close to the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year of 2025 announced by Pope Francis. We hear the Jubilee call to set out on a journey. The journey moves us away from our comfort and our surroundings. Christian hope rings through the Advent scriptures and gives light to our pilgrimage. The Jubilee 2025 hymn sums up our Advent hope: *Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to you: Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in you. Every nation, tongue, and people find a light within your Word. Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in your dear Son. God, so tender and so patient, dawn of hope, you care for all. Heaven and earth are recreated by the Spirit of Life set free. Raise your eyes, the wind is blowing, for our God is born in time. Son made man for you and many who will find the way in him. (Jubilee 2025 Hymn written by Pierangelo Sequeri)* Happy Advent!

**24 December**, 5.30pm Carols & 6.00pm Mass, St Mary's Church, Cullercoats

**24 December**, 5.30pm Carols & 6.00pm Mass, St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay

**24 December**, 7.30pm Carols & 8.00pm Mass, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, West Monkseaton

**25 December**, 9.30am Mass, St Oswin's Church, Tynemouth

**25 December**, 9.30am Mass, St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay

**25 December**, 11.00am Mass, St Mary's Church, Cullercoats

### FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth (Betty) Harrison of Monks Drive, Monkseaton, who died on 26 November aged 95 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on 18 December at Immaculate Heart Church, West Monkseaton, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vi Cranmer of Appleby Nursing Home, North Shields, who died on 1 December aged 84 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 3.00pm on 18 December at Whitley Bay Crematorium, followed by committal. May she rest in peace. Amen.

### NEW LECTIONARY

The First Sunday of Advent marked the proclamation of the readings and gospel at Mass from the new Lectionary. Thanks for your generous donations towards the cost of the new 4-volume Lectionary. The names of deceased loved ones are recorded in the Lectionary in the churches of St Edward's, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Our Lady's and St Oswin's and St Mary's. The final date for any names to be included for St Edward's, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St Mary's and St Oswin's will be 31st December 2024.

### OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — ADVENT EUCHARISTIC

#### ADORATION

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9.00am before 9.30 Mass each weekday during Advent.

#### ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The Vicariate for Faith and Mission has produced this year's booklet of reflections for the Season of Advent. It is available to view and download from <https://bit.ly/DHNAdvent2024>. Printed copies are available at the back of the church.

#### READERS — RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Readers please read out loud the response after each verse in the Responsorial Psalm at Mass. Many thanks.

#### HOLY LAND — PRAYERS FOR PEACE

We pray for peace in the Holy Land, in Ukraine and in all war-torn areas of the world. The CAFOD emergency appeal is at: [cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/israeli-palestinian-crisis-appeal](https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/israeli-palestinian-crisis-appeal).

#### ADVENT READINGS & REFLECTION

All are welcome to the Parish Rooms, St Edward's Presbytery, Coquet Avenue, Whitley Bay, from 2.00pm - 3.00pm, on Wednesday 18 December 2024. This hour is an opportunity to STOP, LOOK and LISTEN to Our Lord as we prepare for the celebration of His birth! Come and join us.

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

This is the last Advent Calendar week so thank you to everyone for your generosity. Monday 16th December is the last collection of 2024 and the next collection at IHM will be January 6th. Hope you all have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24
Tinned Rice Pudding	Pasta in Sauce	Microwave Rice	Juice

Merry Christmas Everyone!

## APPEAL AT ST MARY'S — CHRISTMAS CAKE STALL

Through your generosity, the collection and proceeds of the Christmas cake stall raised **£357.60** for which I am very grateful. This will be a huge help to my raising enough to allow me to volunteer at Lourdes. I will light a candle in the Grotto on your behalf. Thank you. *Lauren Hastie.*

## LOURDES FUNDRAISING AT ST OSWIN'S

Emily Ainscough would like to thank everyone who supported her recent appeal after Mass. She raised **£280.**

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA RECENT SECOND COLLECTIONS

The total sum raised for the Clergy Training fund was £408.53 and the collection for Catholic Youth raised £272.08. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously.

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — PARISH BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

The Parish Council has agreed that a separate Committee dealing with church buildings and grounds will be formed to report its work to the Parish Council and Finance Committee. If you have experience in these areas and are interested in joining this Committee, please email the Parish Office at [olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk) and leave your contact details. You will be contacted in due course.

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — MILL HILL MISSIONARIES RED BOX APPEAL

The Mission Today 2025 Calendar is freely available in both of our Churches. Supporters wishing to make donations for the December quarter can contact Margaret Graham (Immaculate Heart) on 2529569 or Bill Crumbley (St. Edward's) on 07889 969639. Thank you to all who donated to the September quarter.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR ST EDWARD'S

We would welcome some more helpers for two roles at St Edward's Church. One is Welcoming at Mass on Sundays and the other is to helping to count the collection. If anyone is interested, please see Derek Hooper for Welcoming and Bill Crumbley for the collection counting; both are usually at Sunday Mass.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR ST MARY'S

We would welcome some more helpers to serve tea and coffee after 11.00am Mass at St Mary's. Please add your name to a date on Hall notice board if you'd like to help. Thank you.

## JUBILEE 2025

Pope Francis has announced that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, and the theme is "Pilgrims of Hope". It will be a year of pilgrimage and prayer, celebration and reconciliation and we'll be opening the Jubilee Year in our Diocese with celebrations at our two Jubilee Hub Churches on Sunday 29th December. Bishop Stephen will be celebrating Mass and opening the Holy Door at St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle at 11.30am and at St. Joseph's Hartlepool at 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome. There's more information about the Jubilee Year on the Diocesan website at <https://www.bit.ly/DHNjubilee2025>.

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Friday 3 January. Pauline & David Warren will lead, so please meet at West Monkseaton Metro Station at 9.30am. We will go to North Shields on the metro and look at the art installations in the area. The walk will be approximately 5 miles and on good paths and tracks and we will return by metro. For further information contact Pauline or David on 07707894703 or 0191 2515404.

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — JOURNEY IN FAITH

The next meeting of the Journey in Faith is at 7.00pm on Tuesday 7 January in St Edward's Parish Rooms. All are welcome.

## OUR LADY'S & ST OSWIN'S & ST MARY'S

Please note the change of email address in the contact box below.

## OTHER NOTICES

## ST CUTHBERT'S CARE — ADVENT ALMS

Please support those in our communities who are in greatest need. The focus is the free meal initiative at the Alan Shearer Centre. There will be an Advent Alms basket beside the Advent Wreath for donations.

## Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwards.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntlp.org.uk	0191 6432080
Our Lady's & St Oswin's & St Mary's	office.cullercoatstynemouth@diocesehn.org.uk	0191 2513770
<b>Cluster Website</b>	<b>www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk</b>	

OLSS 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: [olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk) or telephone 0191 2527066.  
Items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 3.00pm on Wednesday.

**Confessions:** Saturdays - 10.30am St Mary's, 5.30pm Immaculate Heart of Mary  
*St Mary's Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Daily 7.30am to 7.30pm*

**MASSES & OTHER SERVICES**

DAY & DATE	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	ST MARY'S	ST OSWIN'S
Saturday 14th December <b>ST JOHN OF THE CROSS</b>		6.00pm People of the Parish	10.00am John Brennan	
Sunday 15th December <b>3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	9.30am For Vocations (Catenians)		11.00am Barbara Shippen	9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 16th December	<b>NO MASS</b>			
Tuesday 17th December	9.30am Word & Communion			10.00am Jenny Cawood (TC)
Wednesday 18th December		11.00am Requiem Mass Betty Harrison		
Thursday 19th December			10.00am Tony Smith	
Friday 20th December	9.30am Word & Communion			
Saturday 21st December		6.00pm People of the Parish	10.00am Maureen Price-Smith	
Sunday 22nd December <b>4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	9.30am Private Intention (PJC)		11.00am Teresa and Tom Witheridge	9.30am Isabella & William Mason (MC)

**Please remember in your prayers:** Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Eileen Scott, Michael Thrift, Monica Ramsay, Dora Percival, Susan Swaddle, Martin Kimmitt, Don Williams, Maureen Ruddick, Andrew Storr, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Dave Child, Pat Scott, Win Brown, Grace & Oliver Robson, Sheila Clarke, Catherine & Ricci Hudson Storey, Maureen Smith-Price, Samantha Butler, Cath Peffers, Peter, Maz, Luke Goodwin, Roger Burton, Edwin Whalley, Rose & Tim Madden, Mary Smith & Susan Ellis who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently: Mary Storey, David Hough, Gilmer Joseph Page, Patricia Smurthwaite, Theresa Lewis, Betty Harrison & Vi Cranmer. May they rest in peace. 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.

**READINGS AT MASS**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C, 14TH & 15TH DECEMBER, 2024**

**First reading**

**Zephaniah 3:14-18a**

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgements against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: 'Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Isaiah 12:2-3. 4b-d. 5-6. R3**

*Shout aloud and sing praise, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.*

1. Behold, God is my salvation!  
I will trust, and will not be afraid;  
for the LORD is my strength and my praise,  
and he has been my salvation.  
With joy you will draw water  
from the springs of salvation.
2. Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name;  
make known among the peoples his deeds;  
proclaim that his name is exalted.
3. Sing to the LORD for he has wrought wonders;  
let this be known through all the earth.  
Shout aloud and sing praise, you who dwell in Sion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

**Second reading**

**Philippians 4:4-7**

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, he has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor. Alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Luke 3:10-18**

At that time: The crowds asked John, 'What, then, shall we do?' And he answered them, 'Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.' Tax collectors also came to be baptised and said to him, 'Teacher, what shall we do?' And he said to them, 'Collect no more than you are authorized to do.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what shall we do?' And he said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.' As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, 'I baptise you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people.

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