

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

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6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 15TH & 16TH FEBRUARY, 2025

The Cycle of Prayer

Ordinary Time (Winter)

In the time leading up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: Peace on Earth; Openness to the Word of God; Christian Unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; the Unemployed.

JUBILEE 2025 — PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee Year is a year of pilgrimage and prayer, celebration and reconciliation. The Jubilee began on 29 December with Bishop Stephen opening the Holy Doors at St Mary's Cathedral and St Joseph's Church, Hartlepool.

Information about the Jubilee Year can be found at:

<https://www.bit.ly/DHNjubilee2025>. The link to The Jubilee

Prayer is: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/jubilee-2025-prayer/>

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY — 16 FEBRUARY 2025

This Sunday is a Day of Prayer for Racial Justice.

RETIRING COLLECTION — WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK, SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday 23 February is World Day of Prayer for the Sick and a day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed. A second collection will be taken.

WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Monday 17 February. George Murrey will lead a walk in the Rothbury area. Please meet at Immaculate Heart Church at 9.30am for car share.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA & ST MARY'S CULLERCOATS — LENT & HOLY WEEK 2025 PREPARATION

There will be a meeting to prepare for Lent and Holy Week 2025 at 10.15am on Wednesday 19 February in the Upper Meeting Room at Immaculate Heart Church. All are welcome.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS AT ST EDWARD'S CHURCH

It is hoped that the popular coffee morning that used to take place after Thursday morning Mass can be reinstated after the Friday 9.30am Mass. To meet and discuss the possibilities there will be a coffee morning on Friday 21 February in the Parish Rooms after Mass. All are welcome.

ST OSWIN'S AND ST MARY'S — PARISHIONERS' MEETINGS

Fr Chris and Mgr Andrew would like to meet with parishioners who attend St Oswin's in the church at 7.00pm on Tuesday 25 February and with parishioners who attend St Mary's in the hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday 26 February. The

meetings are to give parishioners the opportunity to share their views about how parish life is going and to look to the future. All are welcome to attend.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH LUNCHEON CLUB

The next Luncheon Club will be held on Thursday 27 February at 12.00pm at Immaculate Heart Church. Please book in advance by contacting Chris on 07984 963769 or Deirdre on 07963 570901.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER — FRIDAY 7 MARCH

This year the World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday 7 March at 2pm at the Baptist Church on Park Avenue. The theme is "I made you wonderful" and has been written by the women of the Cook Islands.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION 2025

Forms for enrolment on this year's programme are available in the Narthex of both St Edward's Church and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. A return envelope is provided with full eligibility criteria and guidance. The forms can be returned by hand to a catechist before or after weekend Mass on 15/16 February. Please direct enquiries to 1holycommunionolss@gmail.com.

ST MARY'S CHURCH — CHILDREN'S LITURGY

A reminder that Children's Liturgy takes place at the 11.00am Mass every Sunday (during school term-time) for all children of Primary School age. For children not yet old enough to take part in Children's Liturgy there are toys and books available in a basket at the back of church.

OUR LADY'S & ST OSWIN'S AND ST MARY'S — CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION

A reminder that the remaining preparation sessions will be on 16 February, 23 March and 11 May. The First Holy Communion Mass will be at St Mary's Church on Saturday 17 May at 10.00am. **We welcome our First Holy Communion children** and parents at 11.00am Mass today at St Mary's.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA FOOD BANK

Thank you for all of your recent donations to the food bank. This week the food bank is in need of microwave rice, coffee, tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew & tinned pasta/spaghetti/macaroni. Thank you.

KIMMITT FAMILY THANKS

John Kimmitt would like to thank everyone who has prayed and sent best wishes for the return to health of Martin Kimmitt. Your support has meant a great deal.

SLEEPING BAGS WANTED

MORE sleeping bags!?! Yes, the organisers of Mary's Place would like to express their sincere thanks to our parishioners for their generosity. More would still be welcome by users so if you have any, please contact Derek at derekhooper707@btinternet.com or see Derek or Jenny Hooper at 9.30am Sunday Mass at St Edward's, if possible by 21 February. Thanks so much.

RECENT COLLECTIONS taken at St Mary's & St Oswin's raised **£367.31** for The White Flower Appeal (SPUC) and **£124.00** for Racial Justice Many thanks for your generosity.

REPAIRS & RENEWALS AT OUR LADY'S & ST OSWIN'S AND ST MARY'S

Every five years the Diocesan Property Department inspects our churches, buildings and grounds. A Report is then produced on their condition with a recommended program of works for the next five years. Our inspection took place in November 2023 but unfortunately due to the pressure of work in the Property Department the Report was not provided to the Parish Priest and the Finance Committee until November 2024. The Committee has decided to proceed with all work recommended by the Report for the three years 2024-2026. As a result, you will hopefully notice a variety of works taking place to our churches, buildings and grounds over the coming months.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH — KEYS/FOBS

We no longer have spare front door keys or alarms fobs for Immaculate Heart Church. These are expensive to buy so if you have either of these and don't need them any longer, please bring them to the Parish office, or let us know and we can arrange collection. Thank you.

NORTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER

We have taken a subscription out for the above and a small amount are available at the back of each church every month. The cost is £1.50 each and an envelope is available for your payment.

OTHER NOTICES

THE DIOCESAN CHURCH MUSIC ASSOCIATION invites you to a workshop focussing on using the Abbey Psalms at Mass. It will be held on Saturday 1 March from 2-4pm at St Michael's Houghton-le-Spring. There is no charge for the workshop. The workshop will be led by Steven Maxson, Director of Music for Middlesbrough Diocese and is open to all who are interested. It will be of particular relevance to those involved in music for the liturgy in our parishes and schools, whether you currently sing the psalm or not. For further details and booking please go to https://bit.ly/DCMA_Psalms or email DCMA@diocesehn.org.uk

CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK is launching Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction, an online course for staff and volunteers in parishes. The programme is spread over five one-hour Zoom sessions on Tuesdays in March and 1 April 2025. The course is aimed at parishioners who are not so familiar with Catholic Social Teaching, or who would welcome a refresh. We will also be hearing from CSAN members who work on the front line of poverty and exclusion, bringing our theoretical discussions to life. The course fee is £95 for all five sessions, which includes a copy of Raymond Friel's book, Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction for Schools, Parishes, and Charities. For more information please get in touch with course administrator Bernadette at bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk or visit <https://www.csan.org.uk/events/catholic-social-teaching-an-introduction-course/>.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025 – "I made you wonderful"

We join in this ecumenical movement on Friday 7 March. We have two services. Afternoon service is 2.00pm at St. Joseph's Church, Wallsend Road, Chirton, North Shields, NE29 7AA. Evening service is 7.30pm at the Methodist Church, Broadway, Cullercoats, NE30 3LJ. Everyone is welcome at either service. Light refreshments will be available after both services.

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE invites you to hear **Tony Flannery** speak about The Bible, history or myth? Why it is important to know. The talk will be given twice at Holy Name parish hall, Jesmond on Tuesday 11 March at 2.30pm and 7.30pm.

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
Cluster Website	www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk	

Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Office Opening Hours: Wednesday & Thursday, 9.15am - 4.00pm & Friday 9.15am - 2.00pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. For bulletin entries please contact the Parish Secretary - email: olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk or phone 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 15th February		6.00pm People of the Parish	10.00am Jenny & Larry Laggan	
Sunday 16th February 6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am A Sick Daughter (LH)		11.00am Thanksgiving for a safe birth (MS)	9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 17th February	NO MASS			
Tuesday 18th February	9.30am Lily & Albert Riley (EW)			10.00am Word & Communion
Wednesday 19th February		9.30am Catherine Futers (CHS)		
Thursday 20th February			10.00am Sheila Higgins (MHD)	
Friday 21st February ST PETER DAMIAN	9.30am Freda Jack (J&MR)			
Saturday 22nd February THE CHAIR OF ST PETER		6.00pm People of the Parish	10.00am Rita & Cecilia Di Mascio	
Sunday 23rd February 7TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Deceased Members of the Riley Family (EW)		11.00am People of the Parish	9.30am Terry Parkin (TS)

BAPTISM	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH
Sunday 16th February, 12.30pm	Mari Helen Hughes

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, Don Williams, Gay Keenaghan, Maureen Ruddick, Freda Mastaglio, George Grealy, Brendan Nolan, Sheila Clarke, Peter, Maz & Luke Goodwin, Roger Burton, Mary Smith, Andrew Storr, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Dave Child, Pat Scott, Win Brown, Mary Smith, Lisa Stimpson and Tim & Rose Madden who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently: Maria Mason, Grant Mooney, Jim Hudson, Sheila Higgins, Mavis Rennolds, Tony Ellenbroek, Miekyl Korsten & Luke McNichol (19 yrs old). 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

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READINGS AT MASS
6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 15TH & 16TH FEBRUARY, 2025

First reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8

Thus says the LORD: 'Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. 'Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 1:1-2. 3. 4, 6. R Psalm 40(39):5a

Blessed the man who has placed his trust in the LORD

1. Blessed indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the path with sinners,
nor abides in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the LORD,
and who ponders his law day and night.
2. He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season,
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper.
3. Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they, like winnowed chaff,
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Brothers and Sisters: If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Rejoice and leap for joy, says the Lord, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26

At that time: Jesus came down with the Twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and spurn your name as evil on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.'

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