

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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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C, 8TH & 9TH MARCH, 2025

The Cycle of Prayer

Lent

During Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

LENT 2025

Sunday 9 March - Rite of Election: St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, 3.00pm

Tuesday 11 March - Stations of the Cross & Mass: St Edward's, Whitley Bay, 9.00am

Wednesday 12 March - Lent Study Group: Immaculate Heart of Mary, West Monkseaton, 10.00am (after 9.30am Mass)

Thursday 13 March - Stations of the Cross: Immaculate Heart of Mary, West Monkseaton, 7.00pm

Friday 14 March - Stations of the Cross: St Mary's, Cullercoats, 6.30pm

Tuesday 18 March - Stations of the Cross & Mass: St Edward's, Whitley Bay, 9.00am

JUBILEE 2025 — PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee Year is a year of pilgrimage and prayer, celebration and reconciliation. 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/>.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of George Grealy of The Broadway, Cullercoats, who died on 18 February aged 85 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.45am on 12 March at St Mary's Church, Cullercoats, followed by committal at Tynemouth Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

LENT 2025

During Lent there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before weekday Masses from 9.00am. Stations of the Cross will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. A Lent reflection group will meet after 9.30am Mass on Wednesdays. Further details including locations and times will appear each week during Lent in the box above.

ST CUTHBERT'S AND ST JOSEPH'S NORTH SHIELDS

On Saturday mornings from 8 March there will be Stations of the Cross at 9.30am and Mass at 10.00am. The first two Saturdays of Lent are at **St Oswin's, Tynemouth** - 8 and 15 March (on 8 March Mass at 9.30am, then Stations). The middle two weeks of Lent are at **St Cuthbert's, North Shields**—22 and 29 March. The last two weeks of Lent will be at **St Joseph's, North Shields** although the final week will start at St Cuthbert's and a walk to St Joseph's - 5 April and the walk on the 12 April. Fr Chris will lead the walk.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place on the second and third Sundays of each month at both churches. Immaculate Heart - Saturday 6.00pm Mass, 8 & 15 March. St Edward's - Sunday 10.00am Mass, 9 & 16 March. All our young children aged between 3 and 11 are invited to attend.

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING — 12 MARCH

There is a PPC Meeting next Wednesday at Immaculate Heart Church which will be a closed meeting. If anyone has any matters they would like to raise can you please contact the parish office at olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk.

ST OSWIN'S & ST CUTHBERT'S — ICONS FOR SALE

Russian Orthodox Sisters will be setting up a stall after Mass at St Oswin's on Tuesday 11 March and at St Cuthbert's on Wednesday 12 March with Icons and other religious objects for sale for their orphanage back in Belarus.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL, FAMILY FAST DAY — FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2025

Friday 14 March is a Day of Special Prayer for the Needy and Hungry of the World. Please donate to our CAFOD Family Fast Day and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 3033030. You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

WALKING GROUP

Gerry Latimer will lead the next walk on Tuesday 18 March from Morpeth across open country to Bothal Castle and St Andrew's Church village church, returning through woodland along the banks of the Wansbeck. A pleasant walk of six miles along paths with only a short stretch on a road. Meet at Immaculate Heart Church for car share, leaving at 9.30am. Any queries to Gerry on 07754620073.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SOCIAL GROUP

We are looking for enthusiastic people to join our Parish Social Group and now would be an ideal time to join! Our primary goal is to deliver a range of social activities that bring our parish community together and, to enable us to do this, we would love to hear from people of all ages, especially younger members of the parish. Meetings are held every couple of months and last about an hour. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 March at 7.15pm in the upstairs (St Edmund's) meeting room at Immaculate Heart Church. Please come along or for an informal chat, please give Lexi Brown a ring on 07857414585, or email brown.alexis3@gmail.com

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 tinned fruit, jam/savoury spread, tinned meat/chilli/curry/stew & sweet snacks-chocolate. **Please note** there will be no food bank collection on Monday 17 March. Normal service resumes on Monday 24 March. Thank you.

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

Mass times cards are available at the back of church for any lapsed Catholics or 'seeking unbaptised' you know who might appreciate a discreet invitation. Please feel free to take as many as you like. Ben Hanratty.

ST MARY'S & ST OSWIN'S — MISSIO RED BOXES

The boxes are now due for collection. Please leave them at the back of church for collection or contact your collector. Thank you.

STAMPS AND COINS

My grateful thanks to all who have contributed by leaving used stamps and foreign coins for the benefit of St Oswald's Hospice in Gosforth. I raised £1,880 in 2024. This comprised of £1,330 from coins and £515 from stamps and £35 from picture post cards. Thank you all once again, Neil Cockburn.

ST MARY'S PARISH MEETING

Notes from this meeting are available at the back of church.

OTHER NOTICES

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE

The Bible, History or Myth? Why it is important to know - The Newman Association invites you to come and hear Tony Flannery speak about this, in the church hall of Holy Name, Jesmond, on 11 March at 2.30pm and 7.30pm.

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCY

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following vacancy:

Parish Secretary, based at Immaculate Heart Church, Church Close, West Monkseaton, Whitley Bay NE25 9PG. Hours are 21 a week and closing date is 11 March at 12.00pm. Please contact us on 0191 2433301 or visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details.

ST CUTHBERT'S CARE — LENTEN APPEAL 2025

Thank you for all of the support you have given us over the last year. This Lent, I ask for your support for our Young Stars fostering group. Young Stars gives children in foster care the chance to connect with other children in similar situations, take part in activities and create lasting memories. Your support will ensure these children feel valued and included, giving them opportunities they may not otherwise have. Chief Executive, Nic Gilbert. (For further information see poster at the back of church).

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR — IRISH NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Join the Sisters at St Joseph's Home on Saturday 29 March at 7pm to dance the night away and feast on Irish Stew & Soda bread. There is a licensed bar and tickets are £10. Telephone 0191 2731279 for tickets and see the poster for more details.

JOIN CAFOD'S BIG LENT WALK IN THE JUBILEE YEAR

You are invited to join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - walking 200km over 40 days during Lent. Sign up at: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

EMMANUEL CHARISMATIC COMMUNITY

in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle Invite you to a Day of Renewal: "Living out my Baptism" on Saturday 22 March, 2025 from 10.30am-4.00pm (coffee at 10.00am.) We will be celebrating the Sunday Vigil Mass and will have prayers for healing. The venue is St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road, NE7 7PE (near Longbenton Metro). Please bring a packed lunch and there is no charge - a collection will be taken on the day. To book (so that we have numbers) please contact the Emmanuel Team: pat.kennedy42@icloud.com or call/text on 07546302832.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwards.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk	0191 2528021
Star of the Sea Primary School	starofthesea.primary@ntl.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 8th March		6.00pm Helen Fung (SF)	10.00am Special Intention	
Sunday 9th March 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	9.30am People of the Parish		11.00am Bernadette Joyce (SD)	9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 10th March	NO MASS			
Tuesday 11th March	9.30am Catherine Kimmitt (JK)			10.00am Sheila Higgins
Wednesday 12th March		9.30am Word & Communion	11.45am Requiem Mass George Grealy	
Thursday 13th March			10.00am Edwin Pegram (RM) School Mass Reception & Year 6	
Friday 14th March	9.30am Alf Louvre (LL)			
Saturday 15th March		6.00pm Kevin Clarke (DC)	10.00am Agnes & George Beeching (PH)	
Sunday 16th March 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	9.30am People of the Parish		11.00am Aileen Purvis (JP)	9.30am People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers: Pope Francis, Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Whalen, Gilbert Rowell, Annette Pilman, Eileen Scott, Michael Thrift, Monica Ramsay, Dora Percival, Susan Swaddle, Don Williams, Gay Keenaghan, Susan Ellis, Maureen Ruddick, Peter, Maz & Luke Goodwin, Grace & Oliver Robson, Roger Burton, Freda Mastaglio, , Sheila Clarke, Mary Smith, Andrew Storr, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Dave Child, Pat Scott, Win Brown, Lisa Stimpson and Sandy & Tim Madden who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently: Giovanna Hyde, George Grealy, Maura Lyons, Brendan Nolan, Cath Peffers & Irene Suttie. 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
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C, 8TH & 9TH MARCH, 2025

First reading

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses spoke to the people: 'The priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God. And you shall make response before the LORD your God, "A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labour. Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me." And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 91(90):1-2. 10-11. 12-13. 14-15. R cf 15b

Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

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| 1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,
and abides in the shade of the Almighty,
says to the LORD, 'My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' | 2. Upon you no evil shall fall,
no plague approach your tent.
For you has he commanded his angels
to keep you in all your ways. |
| 3. They shall bear you upon their hands,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
On the lion and the viper you will tread,
and trample the young lion and the serpent. | 4. Since he clings to me in love, I will free him,
protect him, for he knows my name.
When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will be with him in distress;
I will deliver him, and give him glory. |

Second reading

Romans 10:8-13

Brothers and Sisters: What does Scripture say? 'The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, 'Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For, 'everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

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

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Glory and praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

At that time: Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were over, he was hungry. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.' And Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone."' And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to him, 'To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' And Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."' And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."' And Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "You shall not put the Lord your God to the test."' And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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