

Mass Readings
7th Sunday of Easter – C

First reading

Acts 7:55-60

'I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.'

In those days: Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. And he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 97(96)

Response: *The LORD is king, most high above all the earth.*

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| <p>1. The LORD is king, let earth rejoice;
let the many islands be glad.
Justice and right are the foundation of his throne.</p> | <p>2. The skies proclaim his justice;
all peoples see his glory.
All you angels, worship him.</p> |
| <p>3. For you indeed are the LORD,
most high above all the earth,
exalted far above all gods.</p> | |

Second reading

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

'Come, Lord Jesus!'

I, John, heard a voice saying to me, 'Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

'I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' And let the one who hears say, 'Come.' And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. He who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans, says the LORD.

I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 17:20-26

'May they become perfectly one.'

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and praying said, '[Holy Father,] I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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31 st May / 1 st June 2025 – 7 th Sunday of Easter – C			
Masses, Devotions and Services			
	St Cuthbert's	St Joseph's	Our Lady & St Oswin's
Saturday 31st May		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 1st June 7th Sunday of Easter – C	11.00am: Mass: John Ollerenshaw Live stream		9:30am: Mass: Pat & George Murray (GM)
Monday 2nd June			
Tuesday 3rd June			10:00am: Mass: Brendan Nolan (AN)
Wednesday 4th June	9:30am: Mass: Judy Vernon		
Thursday 5th June	6.00pm Mass Saji Matthew-Syra Malabar Rite	9:30am: Mass Pat & George Leighton	
Friday 6th June	7.00pm: Mass		
Saturday 7th June		10.00am Mass of First Holy Communion 5:30pm: Vigil Mass	
Sunday 8th June Pentecost – C	11.00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live stream		9:30am: Mass: People of the Parish

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields	
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Prayer Intentions for Easter: New Members of the Church, Vocations, Survivors of Sexual Abuse, The Right Use of Media, the Church, Human Work.

We pray for all who are sick, including Ros McGann, Sarah Harrison, Scott Oakley, Jean Slater, Barbara & Tony Hicks, Richard Sutherland, Irene Keenaghan, Eileen Stevens, Paula More, Mary Quinn, Paul Atkinson, Francis McSherry, Mary Kidd, Tom Wright, Mary Rowley, Antoni Kulik, Peter Chester.

Please pray for Elizabeth Bryden, Saji Mathew, Elizabeth Henderson, Pope Francis and for all those who have died recently.

7th Sunday of Easter

In recent weeks we have been going through the Farewell Discourse of Jesus, five chapters recording what was said and done on the night before his crucifixion. The last chapter of the discourse is a prayer of Jesus to the Father. At the heart of his prayer is that the unity and the depth and knowledge of their mutual love that he and the Father have, will be shared with his disciples. As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost next week, we ask that through the Spirit we may share in that deep love and unity of the Father and the Son. It is the desire of the Holy Trinity that we share in the fullness of their life and communion. The Trinitarian God seeks to pour their love, so that we are enfolded in that love and life. May we take time to know this God, the God of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who seeks to draw us into this transforming life.

First Holy Communion Mass

This Saturday, June 7th at 10.00am, we have the first of our two First Holy Communion Masses at St Joseph's. Eleven of our children will make their First Holy Communion. We pray for them and their families on this important stage in their Journey of Faith. The First Holy Communion Mass at St Cuthbert's will be on Saturday 21st June at 10.00am

Jubilee Celebrations:

70th Jubilee celebration of St Joseph's Church

To celebrate the 70th Jubilee of St Joseph's Church, we are planning a fun filled day on Saturday 30th August.

Activities will include:

Stalls; BBQ; Choir Performance; Refreshments.

Celebration of Mass with Bishop Stephen, followed by light refreshments.

For this to take place we need help. If you feel you are able to help, please sign up on the lists at the back of both churches. Any help big or small would be appreciated. The following jobs will need to be covered: Setting up in the morning; Clearing away; Organising or running a stall (e.g. Cakes with possible baking competition, Children's Tombola, Children's Activities, General Tombola, Teas); Face Painting

Thank you for your support from the Jubilee Committee

For the Jubilee of St Joseph's Church, we would like to create a photograph and memorabilia display of the church and parishioners. If you have any photographs we could use could you hand them in, write your name and the church you worship at on the back so they can be returned. Also any paper clipping etc. related to the church would be useful, (they could be copied if you don't want to hand over originals). Thank you.

Pentecost International Shared Table

After 11am Mass next Sunday 8th June at St Cuthbert's. If any groups would like to contribute, would they please let a social group member know, with a contact name and telephone number, and what they will be kindly bringing.

Parish Council

The Parish Council will be meeting this Thursday at 7pm at St Cuthbert's. Please let a member of the Parish Council know if there are any items you would like to be discussed.

Photo Exhibition

This Friday, June 6th at 7.30am at St Cuthbert's, we have the Opening of the 'All Rise' picture exhibition. Our local MP Sir Alan Campbell has accepted our invitation. We hope to keep the Church open during the following two weeks. Please sign up at the back if you are willing to be a steward. This is how the Eventbrite page describes the exhibition: "This project pulls together images from St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's Parish in North Tyneside, telling stories of how lives are being changed through the association with Citizens UK. People engaging with local and national issues, in big and small ways, in personal growth and agency, connected to the principles of community organising through Father Chris. This exhibition will showcase how powerful ordinary people can be when they organise for change, I hope I have created images that reflect reality, emotion, and something of the essence of this North Tyneside Parish."

Tom Quibell

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-rise-a-documentary-photography-exhibition-with-thomas-quibell-tickets-1309797833579>

Muslim and Christian Pilgrimage

Saturday June 14th at 2.30 pm is the annual joint Muslim and Christian pilgrimage to pray for peace at the Marian shrine in Jesmond, Newcastle. The event is for women and children, although men accompanying their family can attend. This is a great opportunity to pray and witness for peace.

Nite Bite

As a partner of Churches Together our Parish is involved with the provision of meals/food/toiletries for some of the area's most needy. For them, as for all of us, these are difficult times so if you are able to drop a tin or two in the boxes located in both our churches they would be most gratefully received.

Trinity Charity Shop

I have received the latest share from the Trinity Shop. It was a cheque for £4,000. A big thank-you to all who contribute to the Charity Shop in anyway. The parish is especially grateful to all our parishioners who volunteer on a Thursday. Your hard work is much appreciated.

Corpus Christi: Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Ushaw

On Sunday 22nd June, Ushaw will be hosting a Eucharistic Procession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Bishop Stephen Wright, and starting at 3pm in St. Cuthbert's Chapel. Weather permitting, the procession will go through Ushaw's gardens, returning to the Chapel for Benediction.

Teas and coffees will be available after the service.

You do not need a ticket for this event, but please sign up on the sheet available at the back of church, to help Ushaw to estimate numbers. Please indicate if you are bringing a car: this will help Ushaw to manage car parking requirements.

'Hope in a Time of Darkness' – A Lecture by His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe OP

Monday 23rd June 2025, 7:45pm, Galilee Chapel, Durham Cathedral. Durham Cathedral Institute is delighted to be hosting this year's Bishop Dunn Memorial Lecture of the Centre for Catholic Studies at Durham University, hearing from speaker Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe and respondent Prof Anna Rowlands. For more information and to book tickets, please visit:

<https://durhamcathedral.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173659458>

Please send any queries to ccs.admin@durham.ac.uk.

St Cuthbert's Missiio Boxes (APF Red Box)

Please could all box holders bring their box to church for emptying. If you would like them emptied at home telephone either Pauline 2581456 or Kath 2577041. Thank you.

The Charity of the Daughters of St Paul

Is seeking to employ an Assistant at Pauline Books, Newcastle upon Tyne (approx. 20 hours per week over three days). The successful candidate must have excellent customer service skills and enjoy working with the public in this well-established ministry in the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle. Basic computer skills, flexibility, initiative, good communication skills, as well as the ability to relate and work well with people are essential qualities for this position. An interest in the Christian faith, in particular the vision and ministry of the Catholic Church would make this position interesting and fulfilling for the candidate. For an application form email accounts@pauline-uk.org Closing date for applicants: 6th June 2025.

Live Simply Tip

Living Simply is based on the following three strands:

- living simply
- living in solidarity with people in poverty
- living sustainably with creation

This week's tip: How can you manage more effectively your waste. The call is to reduce, re-use, recycle. What does this mean for you?

Parish Finance – Standing Orders

If you would like to set up a Standing Order the details of the parish account are:

Name: DHN North Shields St Cuthbert & St Joseph

Bank: HSBC, Sort code: 40-34-45,

Account number: 91146513

Dates for Diary

Summer Fayre – July 5th at St Cuthbert's

Rosary Group

"When two or three are gathered in my name..." All welcome to join a small group of parishioners praying the Rosary each week over Zoom. Day: Thursday; Time: 7:30pm. For more information contact Ruth Corless at: ruthcorless@btinternet.com

Prayer for Peace

As the fever of day calms towards twilight. May all that is strained in us come to ease. We pray for all who suffered violence today. May an unexpected serenity surprise them.. For those who risk their lives each day for peace. May their hearts glimpse providence at the heart of history.. That those who make riches from violence and war. Might hear in their dreams the cries of the lost.. That we might see through our fear of each other. A new vision to heal our fatal attraction to aggression.. That those who enjoy the privilege of peace. Might not forget their tormented brothers and sisters That the wolf might lie down with the lamb. That our swords be beaten into ploughshares. And no hurt or harm be done anywhere along the holy mountain. John O'Donohue Benedictus A Book of Blessings