

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 OUR LADY'S & ST OSWIN'S,

TYNEMOUTH &

ST MARY'S, CULLERCOATS

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

Tynemouth NE30 4BX

St Mary's Church, Farrington Road

Cullercoats NE30 3EY

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♦ *Contactless payment is available at St Edward's, Whitley Bay and Immaculate Heart, West Monkseaton.*

22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, YEAR C, 30 & 31 AUGUST, 2025

The Cycle of Prayer

Summer

During Ordinary Time, we are asked to pray for these intentions: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

JUBILEE 2025 — PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee Year is a year of pilgrimage and prayer, celebration and reconciliation. Information at: www.diocesehn.org.uk/living-the-faith/jubilee2025.

FUNERALS

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Clare Cunningham who died on 27 July aged 63 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.00Noon on 9 September at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Veronica (Vera) Bolam who died on 12 August aged 102 years. Reception and Vigil will take place at 4.00pm on 2 September at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on 3 September, followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of William Strike (Bill) of Frankland Drive, Monkseaton, who died on 19 August aged 81 years. A Funeral Service will take place at 11.00am on 10 September at Immaculate Heart Church followed by committal at Whitley Bay Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Monica Scott of Beech Grove, Whitley Bay, who died on 25 August aged 81 years. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on 12 September at St Edward's Church, Whitley Bay, followed by burial at Whitley Bay Cemetery. May she rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH SECRETARY — ANNUAL LEAVE

Helen is on annual leave and returns to work on Wednesday 3 September. Michael O'Brien is kindly producing the bulletin while Helen is away.

NORTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER

The August edition of the Northern Cross is available at the back of the church. Price £1.50.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — FOOD BANK

There will be no collection for the Food Bank on 1 September. Collections will resume on 8 September. Further details to follow.

OPEN EVENING ON CATHOLICISM — VOLUNTEERS

Fr Chris wants to organise with parishioners an 'Open Evening on Catholicism'. This would give people an opportunity to enquire about the Catholic tradition on Wednesday 24 September in St Mary's Church Hall, Cullercoats at 7.00pm. Those present will hear about: Belonging to a Eucharistic Community; Praying as a Catholic; Loving Service to others. If anyone is interested in helping Fr Chris please contact him at Chris.Hughes@diocesehn.org.uk or 0191 2575801.

JOURNEY IN FAITH 2025 - 2026

Planning is now underway for the Coast Parishes' Journey in Faith for 2025 - 2026, beginning on 7 October. These meetings take place on alternate Tuesday evenings in St Edward's Presbytery meeting rooms, starting at 7.00pm and lasting about 90 minutes. They are open to all who are enquiring about the Catholic Faith, or know that they wish to become Catholic, or are already Catholic but wish to renew and deepen their understanding of their faith. Catholics who have been away from the Church for a while are also warmly welcomed. Please pass this message on to family or friends who may be interested. You can register interest by contacting the Parish Office, or Fr Andrew or Fr Chris Hughes. The Parish Office will pass on any queries if you would like to speak to one of the leaders in advance.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA — WALKING GROUP

The next Parish walk will be on Wednesday 3 September. David Armstrong will lead a 6 mile route from Ponteland on easy tracks and wagon way towards Black Callerton and High Callerton, then back to the cars. Please meet at Immaculate Heart at 9.30am.

PIZZA NIGHT

You are invited to a pizza night on Friday 12 September at 7pm in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Tickets will be on sale from August 23 after Mass at St Edward's and Immaculate Heart. Entertainment will be provided by the Bay Ukes and tickets will be £8 each or £20 for a family ticket; bring your own wine/beer/juice/champagne.

CAFOD FUND RAISING — HEALTH CENTRE IN AFRICA

On September 27, we have invited Rachel Blaylock, our Diocesan CAFOD Representative, to come to our Parish to receive the £4000 cheque we have raised for the health clinic in Africa. This is a remarkable achievement in such a short time and the generosity of our parish community should be applauded. Well done everyone!

ST OSWIN'S — WEDDING

On 4 September at 11.00am at St Oswin's, the wedding of Michael Robert Jewels and Laura Elizabeth Ramsey will take place. We pray for Michael and Laura as they prepare to commit their lives to each other in the Sacrament of Marriage.

OTHER NOTICES

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Head of Safeguarding - Salary scale from £46,000 to £52,000. The closing date for applications is 31 August 2025.

Surveyor - The Property Team is looking for a Surveyor to join their busy team at St Cuthbert's House. You will assist in the care and maintenance of all Diocesan land and property, ensuring a high level of professional support is offered to our parish communities and Diocesan schools. This is a 6-month fixed-term contract, reporting to the Head of Property.

Education Operations Manager - Salary scale from £35,000 to £37,323. The closing date for applications is 9.00am on 3 September 2025.

If you are interested in any of the positions or wish to request an applicant pack, please contact Annie Leaver, Head of HR, at annie.leaver@diocesehn.org.uk.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY — MARYS PLACE

(ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, NEWCASTLE)

Every Monday morning from 10.00am to 1.00pm Mary's Place Community cafe opens its doors and offers a warm, welcoming smile that extends dignity, companionship and hope to anyone in need - they may be homeless, poor or feeling alone. It's a place where everyone is known by name, where they can share their stories or simply sit in

silence as they share a hot meal together. It is more than a refuge, it is a community - a reminder that no one walks alone. We have a team of volunteers with various roles from preparing food, serving guests, washing dishes and, of course, making our guests welcome. We work on a rota basis, usually once a month. To find out more and how to join our team please see Detta Wright (St Joseph's, North Shields) for more details or contact:

marys.place@outlook.com.

STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE - ACTION NEEDED!

The Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill is expected to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September. Right To Life UK has launched an EasyAction tool to help you write to Peers with a message to highlight key concerns with the Bill. Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide - it takes just 30 seconds.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK

Join March for Life UK on 6th September in London. The right to life underpins every other right we have and without it every other right is rendered meaningless. Abortion denies the most vulnerable in our society of their most basic right which is why this year's theme is "Human Rights For All Humans." Unite with thousands of others at this family friendly event where we recognise the value of life from conception and stand up for all those who have been impacted by abortion. Find out more at <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/> or email info@marchforlife.co.uk

CAFOD PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY ISLAND — 13 SEPTEMBER

In partnership with The Archbishop Romero Trust, CAFOD is organising a pilgrimage to Holy Island on Saturday 13 September. For more details, see the poster at the back of the church or contact Rachel Blaylock on 07779 804243 or at rblaylock@cafod.org.uk.

OLD TESTAMENT LIVE — 13 SEPTEMBER

St Andrew's United Reformed Church in Monkseaton is hosting an interactive event from 10.00am - 4.30pm, designed to increase understanding of the Old Testament. For more details, including how to book, see the poster at the back of the church.

Contact email addresses, numbers and website:

Monsignor Andrew Faley	stedwards.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk	0191 2528021
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church	olss.whitleybay@diocesehn.org.uk	0191 2527066
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
St Mary's Catholic Primary School	stmarysrcprimary@stmarysonline.co.uk	0191 2518080
Tynemouth Priory Partnership	www.northtynesidecatholic.org.uk	

Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Office Opening Hours: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.15am - 4.45pm, 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, Cullercoats 5.30pm Immaculate Heart of Mary, West Monkseaton

MASSSES & OTHER SERVICES

DAY & DATE	ST EDWARD'S	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	ST MARY'S	ST OSWIN'S
Saturday 30th August STS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE, MARGARET WARD, MARTYRS		6.00pm People of the Parish	10.00am George Grealy (TOB)	
Sunday 31st August 22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Joan & Jim Faley (AF)		11.00am Giustiniano di Mascio (TdiM)	9.30am People of the Parish
Monday 1st September	NO MASS			
Tuesday 2nd September	9.30am Paul Paradis (M H-D)			10.00am Pat Dougal (MM)
Wednesday 3rd September	11.00am Requiem Mass Vera Bolam	No Mass		
Thursday 4th September			10.00am Fr. A. Pickering	
Friday 5th September	9.30am The Cooke Family (PJC)			
Saturday 6th September		6.00pm Alex Brady (LD)	10.00am Ruth Blakely	
Sunday 7th September 23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am People of the Parish		11.00am Dennis Dale (SD)	9.30am People of the Parish

BAPTISMS	ST EDWARD'S CHURCH	ST MARY'S CHURCH
Sunday 31st August, 12.30pm	Bradley Michael Patterson	
Saturday 6th September 11.30pm		Nina Grace Tonks

Please remember in your prayers: Ann Stroud, Win Foley, Eileen Whalen, Annette Pilman, Michael Thrift, Dora Percival, Susan Swaddle, Don Williams, Susan Ellis, Layton Newton, Joan Tulip, Rona Halbert, Sheila Gibson, Pat Corbett, Tony Patterson, Rebecca Smithson, Joseph Poland, Ryan Oswald, Maureen Ruddick, Luke Goodwin, Grace & Oliver Robson, Roger Burton, Sheila Clarke, Mary Smith, Andrew Storr, Dave Child, Wanda Parker-Lockwood, Pat Scott, Win Brown, Lisa Stimpson, Sandy & Tim Madden, Leslie Knotts, Wendy O'Toole, Kathleen McNamee and Martha Mullins who are sick. Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have died recently: Marian Nesbitt, Clare Cunningham, Gilbert Rowell, Veronica (Vera) Bolam, Bill Strike & Eileen Scott. 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 — 22ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

My son, perform your tasks in meekness; then you will be loved by those whom God accepts. The greater you are, the more you must humble yourself; so you will find favour in the sight of the Lord. For great is the might of the Lord; he is glorified by the humble. The affliction of the proud has no healing, for a plant of wickedness has taken root in him. The mind of the intelligent man will ponder a parable, and an attentive ear is the wise man's desire. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 68(67):4-5ac. 6-7b. 10-11. ☩ cf. 11b

In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor.

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| 1. The upright shall rejoice at the presence of God;
they shall exult with glad rejoicing.
O sing to God; make music to his name.
The LORD is his name. | 2. Father of orphans, defender of widows:
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the desolate a home to dwell in;
he leads the prisoners forth into prosperity. |
| 3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain;
when your heritage languished, you restored it.
It was there that your flock began to dwell.
In your goodness, O God, you provided for the poor. | |

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Brothers and Sisters: You have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. But you have come to Mount Sion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honour, saying to them, 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honour, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, "Give your place to this person", and then you, with shame, will take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher." Then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.' He said also to the man who had invited him, 'When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends, or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbours, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.'

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