

Mass Readings
Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – C

First reading **Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12**
In those days: The angel brought me back to the door of the Temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the Temple towards the east (for the Temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the Temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side.
And he said to me, ‘This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.’

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 46 (45)**
Response: *The waters of a river give joy to God’s city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High.*

1. God is for us a refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in time of distress:
so we shall not fear though the earth should rock,
though the mountains quake to the heart of the sea.

2. The waters of a river give joy to God’s city,
the holy place, the abode of the Most High.
God is in her midst, she cannot be shaken;
God will help her at the dawning of the day.
3. The LORD of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come and behold the works of the LORD,
the awesome deeds he has done on the earth.

Second reading **1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17**
Brothers and Sisters: You are God’s building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia.
I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there for ever. Alleluia.

Gospel **John 2:13-22**
The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the Temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, ‘Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.’ His disciples remembered that it was written, ‘Zeal for your house will consume me.’
So the Jews said to him, ‘What sign do you show us for doing these things?’ Jesus answered them, ‘Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’ The Jews then said, ‘It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and will you raise it up in three days?’ But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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8 th /9 th November 2025 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – C			
Masses, Devotions and Services			
	St Cuthbert’s	St Joseph’s	Our Lady & St Oswin’s
Saturday 8 th November		5:30pm: Vigil Mass Private Intention (MG)	
Sunday 9 th November Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – C	11.00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live stream		9:30am: Mass: People of the Parish
Monday 10 th November All Souls			
Tuesday 11 th November			10:00am: Pat Murray (GM)
Wednesday 12 th November	9:30am: Mass		
Thursday 13 th November	11.30am: Requiem Mass for Malcolm Boyle	9:30am: Mass: Special Intention	
Friday 14 th November	7.00pm: Mass: George Miller		
Saturday 15 th November		5:30pm: Vigil Mass People of the Parish	
Sunday 16 th November 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – C	11.00am: Mass: Private Intention (KHS) Live stream		9:30am: Mass: People of the Parish

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Prayer Intentions for Autumn: Students and Teachers; the Spread of the Gospel; the Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and Their Families.

We pray for all who are sick, including Ros McGann, Sarah Harrison, Jean Slater, Irene Keenaghan, Mary Quinn, Patricia Thompson, Paul Atkinson, Francis McSherry, Mary Kidd, Mary Rowley, Antoni Kulik, Peter Chester, Rebecca Cummings, Thomas Smith, Dorothy Falla, Bridget Geddes, Sr Zita Stephen Davies.

Please pray for Ann Gemmel, Maurice Cairns, Malcolm Boyle, and for all those who have died recently.

Dedication of the St John Lateran Basilica

Like when we celebrated the Feast of the Triumph of the Holy Cross in September, this week-end we celebrate another feast as it is taking place on a Sunday – Dedication of St John Lateran Basilica. It is the oldest of the four Basilicas in Rome and is deemed to be the Mother Church not just for Rome but for the Universal Church.

In the reading, the focus is on places of worship and the importance of the Temple, which had a central significance for the Jewish people as a place of the Holy of Holies, with the Ark of the Covenant being present, a dwelling place of God. But the readings also shift the divine presence from place and building to Christ, the dwelling place of God, and that since we are in Christ, we too can become dwelling places of God, we too are temples. Again, we are invited to wonder at mystery of mutual indwelling – God in us and all the creation within the mystery of God. God not detached and distant from creation but the divine weaving through creation, a God permeating all of the reality we encounter. How can we be present to this mystery and acknowledge his presence in creation, humanity and not least ourselves.

Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. At all Masses we will have silence to remember those who gave their lives for their country. We also pray for peace. The Church reminds us that true peace needs justice and love to ensure that there is true sense of brotherhood and sisterhood that enable a stable community, where we are all concerned for the common good.

First Holy Communion Liturgy

This week-end, we have the second of the First Holy Communion Liturgies, which focuses on our baptism. We pray for our candidates.

St Mary's Cullercoats & Our Lady's & St Oswin's, Tynemouth

At a general meeting of the Parish of St Mary's Cullercoats and Our Lady's and St Oswin's Tynemouth on the 29th October, the parish had a review of the current situation now that Mgr Faley and I have pastoral responsibility for over a year. It was agreed that the parish would begin to explore a reconfiguration that would involve neighbouring parishes. There would be two instead of three parishes. One would consist of St Edward's, Mary Immaculate and St Mary's Cullercoats. The other would consist of St Oswin's, St Joseph's and St Cuthbert's. Since the reconfiguration would mean that the parish of St Mary's and Our Lady's & St Oswin would no longer be an entity in Canon Law, it is important that this parish have the opportunity to first to explore this, though since any reconfiguration would have impact on Our Lady Star of the Sea and St Cuthbert's & St Joseph's parishes, it is important that you are aware of this proposal and if St Mary's and Our Lady's and St Oswin's are happy to proceed, the other parishes including yourselves will be consulted. Any comments would be appreciated. It should be stated that no closure of churches, change of clergy or altering Mass times are envisaged in what is being proposed.

Parish Council

The Parish Council will be meeting on Tuesday 11th November at 7pm. Please inform one of the parish councillors or Fr Chris if you have any items for discussion.

Tyne and Wear Citizens

There will be a North Tyneside hub meeting at St Cuthbert's at 7pm on Wednesday 12th November. We will be discussing what has arisen from the listening campaign and planning our next meeting with Mayor Karen Clark. There is an opportunity for members of the whole alliance to meet at an issues workshop. We are exploring what asks we want to present to candidates for next year's local elections at Assemblies on April 23rd and 28th next year respectively in Newcastle and Sunderland. To take part in the first issues workshop on November 20th at Newcastle University Business School please sign up at:

<https://actionnetwork.org/events/tyne-wear-citizens-issues-workshop-1/>

Requiem Mass

The Requiem Mass for Malcolm Boyle will take place on Thursday, 13th November at 11.30am at St Cuthbert's. May rest in peace.

Ministry of Welcome

The course that the diocese has planned has been postponed. However, I would like to have a morning for existing welcomers and those who would like to take up this ministry. It will be from 10am to 11.30 on Saturday 22nd November. All are welcome.

Clergy Training Fund

There will be a retiring collection for the Clergy Training Fund this week-end. The collection will be open till the end of November.

Christmas Gifts

Via Churches Together we support the provision of small gifts to local homeless and asylum seekers - both sexes, all ages. If you can help – child's book/toy, confectionary, toiletries – please leave at back of church. Donations by w/e 6/7 December to allow volunteers time to sort, wrap & distribute. Thank You.

Uniform Drop and Swap Stall

The Parish of St Cuthbert and St Joseph are going to run a uniform "Drop and Swap" stall. Where – St Joseph's Church When – 2nd Monday of each half term Time – 8.30am–10.00am Our first stall will be on Monday 17th November beginning at 8.30am. If you have any unwanted uniform in wearable condition for either St Joseph's Primary School or St. Thomas More High School, please come along and drop them off and have a look to see if we have anything you may need. Refreshments will be available. All uniform and refreshments are free of charge.

Tyneside Newman Association

Newman Tyneside Circle invites you to come and hear Teresa Saunders speak about Jona – the worst prophet? in the hall of Holy Name Church, Jesmond, Newcastle, NE2 3JX, on Tuesday 11th November at 7.30pm. Teresa has a special interest in the Old Testament prophets and has spoken on several of them at Catholic People's Weeks. But how and why does she ask if Jonah may be the worst? Come and find out.

CAFOD World Gifts

Copies of CAFOD's Catalogue for their Christmas World Gifts scheme are available at the back of Church if you would like to buy a gift for loved ones that helps some of the poorest and vulnerable in our world.

Day of Consolation

At Minsteracres on Tuesday 11th November from 10am to 4pm. A poignant retreat day for people who have experienced bereavement, grief, loss or significant change. This day will offer an opportunity to share a safe space, to be heard, to share with others who have had similar experiences and to hopefully find courage, hope and consolation. Lunch and refreshments are included. Suggested Donation £40. To book visit: <https://minsteracres.org/product/day-of-consolation-with-chris-smith-november2025/>

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: Consider the impact of our food choices – What we eat can make a huge difference in our own contribution to the climate crisis. The bishops of England and Wales encourage us to continue our ancient tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays.

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

November 21st Social Fund Raiser for 'Nitebite'

November 22nd Morning of Reflection for Welcomers 10-11.30pm

November 29th – Christmas Coffee Morning

December 20th and 21st – Celebrations for the 50th anniversary of St Cuthbert's 'new' Church

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