

MASS READINGS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - B

FIRST READING

The sons are defiant and obstinate, and they shall know that there is a prophet among them.

Ezekiel 2:2-5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm

Response: **Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.**

Psalm 122

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| <p>1. To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens:
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords.</p> | <p>2. Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he show us his mercy.</p> |
| <p>3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all too full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain.</p> | |

SECOND READING

I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me.

Corinthians 12:7-10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A prophet is only despised in his own country.

Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

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6th/7th July 2024 – 14th Sunday of the Year - B

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 6th July		5:30pm: Mass: Michael Falla
Sunday 7th July 14th Sunday of the Year - B	11:00am: Mass: People of the Parish Live stream	
Monday 8th July		
Tuesday 9th July		9.30am: Mass:
Wednesday 10th July	9:00am Exposition 9:30am: Mass:	
Thursday 11th July		9:30am: Mass:
Friday 12th July	6.15pm: Exposition 7.00pm: Mass: Stephen Marshall	
Saturday 13th July		5:30pm: Mass: People of the Parish
Sunday 14th July 15th Sunday of the Year - B	11:00am: Mass: Live stream	

The Parish of St Cuthbert's and St Joseph's, North Shields

WhatsApp group: text your name & number to 07752009361 to be added to **StCuthStJosNshields Group**

Facebook: search - - The Parish of Saint Cuthbert and Saint Joseph, North Shields.

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Prayer Intentions for Ordinary Time-Summer - A Deeper Understanding between Christian and Jews; those suffering Persecution, Oppression or Denial of Human Rights; The People of Europe; the Sanctity of Human Life; Seafarers. 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, Mary Rowley, and Antoni Kulik. Please pray for Stan Llewellyn and for all those who have died recently.

14th Sunday of the Year

As we hear the Gospel of Mark till the end of November, we need to keep in mind that at the moment we are in the first part, before St Peter proclaims that Jesus is the Christ. We know this important news but Mark is building up to this crescendo moment.

Throughout his ministry Mark is giving us clues in the word and actions of Jesus especially in his healing ministry, but many do not appreciate his true significance. Of the three roles of Priest, Prophet and King, that Jesus is seen as fulfilling in the Gospel today, it is his prophetic role that he is expressing. That is the call to witness to truth and hope by word and actions, but like Jesus, even those who are closest to us may not understand but we are called to be faithful to our respective calling and visions of faith, hope and love. Prophets are called to speak the truth, even if it is critical but also offer a vision of hope. So proclaiming truth and hope is a role we all have since our baptism calls us to share in the prophetic role of Jesus. But we are also called to be attentive and listening to others as well. That is the heart of the synod process. We need to understand and appreciate others. So, prophets as well as speaking must be attentive as well in discerning God's presence and will.

Pope Francis on Prayer

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our continuing catechesis on prayer, we now consider the prayer of Abraham. In the life of our "father in faith", we see a new way of relating to God. Abraham hears the voice of God and trusts in his word and promises. In obedience to the divine word, he leaves his former life behind to journey wherever God leads him, even to the ultimate test of being asked to sacrifice his own son, Isaac. Through such fidelity, he becomes a member of God's family, capable even of arguing with him, but always faithful. Abraham's obedience to the word marks a radically new step in the religious development of man. From now on, the life of believers is seen in terms of vocation, a personal call to live one's life in fulfilment of God's promises. The God of Abraham, then, becomes "my God", the Lord of my own history who guides my steps and never abandons me. May we learn from Abraham's example how to pray with faith: to listen, to journey, to converse and even welcome the word and put it into practice.

Confirmations

On Thursday July 18th at 6.30pm, we welcome Bishop Stephen who will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on about 30 candidates. We pray for the candidates. A big thank-you to those who are preparing them for this important day.

Summer Fayre

Well done to all involved with the Summer Fayre. The amount raised was £2,889.70. A very big thank-you and well done to all who contributed and helped in any way. The list of unclaimed raffle prizes are on the notice board. The winner of guessing the number of sweets was Liz Hickey. Thank-you to the Social Committee for all your hard work. A big thank you to Barbara Davies and Kath Naylor. Barbara is standing down from the role as Chair of the Social Committee and Kath is taking up the role.

Trinity Charity Shop

This week I received the latest share from the Charity Shop for all that has been sold in recent months. The total is £4,400. Well done. I am very grateful to those who contribute items to the shop and especially to the hard team that work on behalf of the parish on a Thursday. Your hard graft and commitment are much appreciated.

Meeting with Alan Campbell

I did not want to report back on the meeting with Alan Campbell that took place on June 27th to avoid giving the impression that the parish was back on one particular candidate. At the meeting we had powerful testimonies from the mothers of young children living in poor housing, the children of St Cuthbert's sharing the plight of refugees, hearing about the hardship of low paid care workers from one of our parishioners. We also heard from two pupils about how having a school counsellor has been important for their well-being and education. Sir Alan was clearly loved by what he heard and sought to take action on the issues raised. What was highly significant was the pledge he made if his part formed the next Government on the ask of St Thomas More Pupils, that every school in the nation would have a school based mental health counsellor at the cost of £250 million. This is a great success for the school's campaign. For Tyne and Wear Citizens to achieve such a commitment of over billion pounds in the next parliamentary terms is the biggest win we have obtained as an alliance and an extraordinary achievement for St Thomas More School. Well done!

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: Join the Great Community Garden Crawl of North Tyneside on the weekend of July 13th-14th when local gardens and allotments in North Shields and Whitley Bay will be open to the public between 10 am and 3 pm. Details of the gardens involved can be found here: <https://voda.org.uk/the-great-community-garden-crawl-of-north-tyneside/>, or ask Anne Greaves.

CAFOD

Public Speaking in Church. Join our online training, learn tips and build your confidence. CAFOD is offering 1-hour training sessions on Zoom for anyone interested in building their confidence for public speaking. Designed for beginners and anyone who needs to make announcements, ask for volunteers or speak on behalf of a charity or a parish appeal at Mass. Come along to learn new skills, practise, and discover how you can inspire our congregation. It'll be inviting, relaxed and fun! Register at: https://cafod.formstack.com/forms/speaking_at_mass_training To receive the link or use the QR code below with your mobile phone camera. Date and time: Saturday 13th July, 11am-12pm and Tuesday 16th July, 7pm-8pm



Christian Meditation Group

This group will resume on July 9th.

Parish Council

Over the next few weeks parish councillors will introduce themselves at the end of the Mass, so that you are aware who the parish councillors are. This week Allan Badenhope will introduce himself at the St Joseph's Mass. The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Tuesday 16th July at 7pm.

Summer Fayre - Accidental donation

CAN YOU HELP? Do you know the person who bought a **SANCTUARY GIFT SET** at the Summer Fayre last Saturday? The donor was unaware that a sentimental piece of jewellery was put inside the packaging as a gift from a family member.

If you or someone you know bought this could you please contact Katherine Main in the office at St Cuthbert's 0191 2573408.

Training Day for Reader & the New Lectionary

The Diocesan Liturgical Formation team are running a day for readers of all levels of experience to explore the new translation of the Lectionary on Saturday 23 November at St Aloysius, Hebburn, NE31 1BE. This day will provide an opportunity to look at the background of the new Lectionary and to be ready to proclaim the Scriptures. For more information and to book, please visit: bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents or please let Katherine in the office know you would like to take part at: northshields.stcuthbert@rcdhn.org.uk

Holy Island Children's Camp

Holy Island Camp has a limited number of places available on weeks 3, 5 and 7 for children in school years 5-7. A week's holiday costs £150 for food, accommodation, activities and transport by coach from Tyneside. There are still some assisted and free places. The holiday is a traditional one with lots of fun, sports, craft activities and excitement. For further details please visit <https://svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island>.

Driving for Parishes Purposes

Our Parish Health & Safety Officers have reminded me that if you use your car for a parish purpose, e.g. Driving your car to take Holy Communion or bank the parish collection, you need to inform your car insurance company.

Youth 2000

Youth 2000 is holding an afternoon of prayer & praise, reflection and social on Sunday 7th July from 2.00pm to 4pm at St Cuthbert's RC church Old Elvet. Open to Young people aged 16-35 (under 16s will need to request a Parent Consent form from frnickjennings@uwclub.net) Further enquiries email irishanthony12@gmail.com Don't forget to book for the Youth2000 Summer festival in Ampleforth Abbey August 23-26 <https://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2024>.

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

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

Coffee after Wednesday Morning Mass
Coffee is available after 9:30am Mass every Wednesday morning at St Cuthberts. Everyone welcome.

Dates for Diary

Trip to Holy Island - 31st August

Bus leaves from St Cuthbert's at 9am

Anyone wishing to attend please put name and contact details on the lists available at both churches.

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