

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Mass Prayers and Readings from page 184 of the Parish Mass Book

Sun	14 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Dinah & George Hutchinson
		11.00am	<i>R.O.S. Pat Donald **</i>
Mon	15 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	<b>No Service</b>
Tue	16 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Hilda Birkett
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	St. Bede's Benefactors
Thu	18 <sup>th</sup> April	7.00pm	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper – St. Bede's</b>
Fri	19 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	<b>Stations of the Cross – St. Bede's</b>
		10.30am	<b>Walk of Witness (starting at Benwell Grange)</b>
		3.00pm	<b>Celebration of the Lord's Passion – St. Michael's</b>
Sat	20 <sup>th</sup> April	7.00pm	<b>Easter Vigil – St. Bede's</b>
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup> April	9.30am	People of our Parish
		11.00am	<i>People of our Parish **</i>

\*\* Masses celebrated at St Michael's

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Anne Beukin, Lilly Blundell, Maureen Crawford, Kevin Cunningham, Madeleine Dickson, Stephen Dolphin, John Dougherty, Rita Foreman, Vera Holland, Margaret Jackson, Gwynneth Jones, Vicky Mackie, Charles Matope, Alexander Mohammed, Tom Moran, Pat Pasola, Barbara Rugoyi, Teresa Smith, Winifred Spoor, Natalie Zubova.  
Rev. Jim Doherty.

**FINANCE:** 7<sup>th</sup> April – Envelopes £233.50; Loose £101.46; Total £334.96  
Thank you for your continued support.

## HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2019

### Holy Thursday

11:00am Mass of Chrism at St. Mary's Cathedral

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Bede's (watching until 9:00pm)

### Good Friday

9:30am Stations of the Cross at St. Bede's

10:30am Walk of Witness beginning at Benwell Grange Flats

3:00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at St. Michael's

### Holy Saturday

7:00pm Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at St. Bede's

### Easter Sunday

Masses at usual times



All Saints, Newcastle | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (C) | 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> April 2019

# PARISH BULLETIN

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*"Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise."*

Christianity is scandalous in that it offers a way home by sincere repentance and conversion. Catholics can always find a path back to God by confession, the forgiveness of sins and making restitution for wrongs committed. Throughout the history of the Church, there have always been people who have fallen away, lived bad lives, come to their senses and made a deathbed confession. The good thief in today's Gospel is perhaps their patron saint. The scene of the three crosses on the hill of Calvary is so well known. A tradition names the good or penitent thief as St Dismas. There is a statue to him in the town of Breznice in the Czech Republic. He is surely one of the most hopeful saints of the Christian faith. We don't know why he was crucified, but from the cross he recognises that the blood-stained and dying Jesus, who has been jeered at by the soldiers, is his Messiah. He knows that Jesus is both God and man and that he is the one to save him. He speaks, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replies, "Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise." The thief died a happy man, knowing that he had received the gift of eternal life. In this poignant scene, St Luke reminds us again of the theme of compassion and mercy, which he has communicated powerfully throughout the Gospel. It is in the Gospel of St Luke that we find the story of the good shepherd who looks for the lost sheep at the expense of the rest of the flock, and the well-known parable of the prodigal son, and the generous father who welcomes his lost son home. He is attentive to the women who accompanied Jesus and looked after him. He tells us of the woman who searches for a lost coin and the widow's mite. It is the smallest and most vulnerable who receive the gift of God's kingdom. These are the "little ones" who are most in need. *The Living Word*



## PARISH EVENTS



### COLLECTION FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN THE HOLY LAND

There is a Special Collection taken at Mass today. The "Collection for the Holy Land" originates from the desire of Popes to maintain strong links between all Christians around the world and the Holy Places. The Custody, through the Collection, is able to carry out its mission of conserving the holy places, the stones of memory, and of encouraging the Christian presence, the living stones of the Holy Land, through numerous activities of solidarity such as the maintenance of pastoral, educational, aid, healthcare and social structures.

### DONATION ENVELOPES

Please see Fr. Simon for your new envelopes. This year I have rearranged everyone so you will all have a different number, boxes are labelled with your name if you Gift Aid your donation. If you do not Gift Aid but would still like a pack of envelopes, please take from the highest number available. Many thanks, Rachel

### SOCIAL GROUP

The next meeting of the Social Group will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in the downstairs meeting room. These meetings are open to everyone so come along and join in the discussions. We are currently planning our next social evening and if you wish to be involved then you would be most welcome. If you cannot attend a meeting and have ideas of any kind please see one of the Social Group Committee members or leave your suggestion at the repository.

### PASSOVER SUPPER

This meal, which is open to anyone who would like to attend, will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm, at St. Robert's, Fenham.

If you would like to be part of this celebration please sign the sheet at the back of Church or see Tony/Dru Hutchinson. Tickets are £4.

### CHURCH CLEANING

Our Church will be cleaned and prepared for the Easter ceremonies after 10.00am Mass on Wednesday 17th April. If you can help in any way, it would be much appreciated and gratefully accepted. Thank you.

### LITTLE SISTERS FUNDRAISING

There will be a Race Night at St Joseph's Home, Westmorland Road, on Friday 26th April at 7:00pm. Tickets are £3 each. There will be a bar and refreshments. All proceeds will go towards the cost of upgrading the fire alarm system. Become a horse owner for the night. Horses available to buy at £1 each. Details available at Reception in the Home. Tickets available from Pat Huddleston or from the Home.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### JUSTICE AND PEACE MASS AND AGM

The Mass for Justice, Peace and the Celebration of Creation will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 10:00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. The celebrant is Mgr. Andrew Faley and the Homily read by Fr. Chris Hughes. All are welcome!

### ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS

Fr Eamonn Mulcahy; "Responding to the Call of Pope Francis", "Missionary Disciples, in a Missionary Parish for a Missionary Church" May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00am – 3:30pm in St Cuthbert's Primary School Hall, Balmain Rd, Kenton. Please bring a packed lunch. Enquiries: 0191 284 1690.

### BRAVE OF HEART - A WEEKEND JOURNEY FOR MEN

Come and find all that God has prepared for your masculine heart - Inspiring & challenging talks, Fellowship & sharing with other Christian men, walk in the Lake District, and much more! Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019, Cor et Lumen Christi, Wigton, CA7 9HU - DONATION ONLY EVENT. To book or for more information go to: [www.coretlumenchristi.org](http://www.coretlumenchristi.org) or email: [stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org](mailto:stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org) or call: 01697 345 623 or 07588 159 341.

### CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

The Annual Mass celebrating Marriage and Family Life will be held at 11:00am on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne. Further information is available from Deacon Rob Wareing, Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator by email or tel: 07841 530991.

### THE MISSION TO ACCOMPANY


We welcome Bill Huebsch back to the Diocese on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May to lead us on a day exploring 'The Mission to Accompany' at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road, Benton, Newcastle Upon Tyne from 9:45am – 3:30pm. Refreshments and lunch will be provided on the day, and we are suggesting a donation of £10.00 to help cover the costs of the day. Booking is essential, call 0191 243 3302 or [www.billhuebsch.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.billhuebsch.eventbrite.co.uk) Donations will be gratefully accepted on the day.

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## INFORMATION

### GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

Please be aware if going into hospital you must ask to see a Hospital Chaplain.

 St. Teresa's Heaton on 0191 2655920 and leave a message. For all Hospitals, in an emergency, ask the Ward Sister to contact the on call **Roman Catholic** Chaplain.