

# CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARY

## Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

*In the Pastoral care of Bishop Robert Byrne*



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## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 19 MAY 2019

The Catholic Church has always been an evangelizing church. Over the centuries it has grown into the world wide organisation we see today. However, especially in the western world, we are experiencing a steady decline in believers. A decline which is having a major effect on each church in our diocese and causing great concern and fear within our communities. The missionary journeys of Barnabas and Paul bring us back to the early days of the church when the Holy Spirit was strong in the lives of believers and anything was possible. Life, however, was far from easy for our missionaries; they faced great hardship and were under threat of death as they journeyed around the area we now know as Turkey. What kept them going was the belief they were doing God's work. We need that missionary zeal today if we are to win this present generation for Christ.

The Book of the Apocalypse is a visionary message to a church under persecution. What began as a simple message of love had become a message of hope for those who had nothing. The world was being changed from the bottom up. The poor, the slaves the dispossessed began to believe in a God who would win for them freedom from the powerful in the world and the powerful reacted by trying to destroy those who believed in Christ. The vision of a new heaven and a new earth reassured the followers of Christ that their trials and sacrifices were not in vain. God is making all things new.

"if you dare to love be prepared to grieve". I was blessed a couple of times to listen to the late Father Daniel O'Leary and this was one of his favourite sayings. When I read today's gospel passage those words took on a new meaning. The passage is a commandment by Jesus that we love one another just as we are loved by Christ; but I am struck by the figure of a departing Judas. I do not doubt that Jesus loved Judas but, as I am only human, I cannot imagine how such love could be betrayed. However, as forgiveness goes hand in hand with love, I am also greatly moved by the thought that if Judas only had to turn to Jesus for forgiveness and it would have been freely given, then whatever I do to hurt my relationship with God or with another then that deep well of forgiveness is waiting for me too.

*David Frank*

## WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to Fr Liam Kelly OFM who is celebrating the 10.00am and 11.30am Masses today. Fr Liam is a Franciscan priest from the community in Athlone, Northern Ireland.

## CATHEDRAL VISITORS BOOK

Having been prompted by a visitor who is currently touring all the Cathedrals in England, we recently placed a visitors' book at the back of the Church (next to the Tyneside Irish Colours). We warmly invite both regular members of the Cathedral community and those who perhaps will only call in once to mark their visit by signing the book. It is heartening to report that we have been delighted by the positive and appreciative comments to date.

## NO OUTSIDERS FOR HIS LOVE - A SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF MENTAL HEALTH

A service to commemorate Mental Health awareness week will take place in the Cathedral this **Sunday 19th May at 3.00pm**. The theme of the service is 'No outsiders for God's love' and will include music and reflections. It will focus on the experiences of people suffering from mental health difficulties and those who care for and support them. All are welcome.

## LISTENING SERVICE

A Team of trained and experienced counsellors is available here at St Mary's Cathedral to offer a confidential Listening and Supportive Service - free of charge - to members of the Cathedral congregation who wish to talk about

- Family Issues
- Stress
- Parental Difficulties
- Loss and Bereavement
- Any other matter, however small or large.

To make an appointment, please telephone the main Cathedral number 0191 232 6953 and then select option 9. If you leave your name and a contact telephone number, a member of the Listening Service Team will get in touch with you to arrange an appointment.

## GOOD SHEPHERD MASS

The annual Mass of the Good Shepherd will take place in the Cathedral this **Thursday 23rd May at 11.00am**. This is the Mass in which the children from our Diocesan Schools will present their cheques to Bishop Robert for money which they have collected for St Cuthbert's Care.

**There will be no 8.00am or 12.05pm Masses in the Cathedral on Thursday.**

## ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL WALKING GROUP

The next walk is on Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> for a 7 mile circular walk from Allensford to the Hownsgill Viaduct with superb views over the Derwent Valley, through beautiful ancient woodland and along the Derwent Walk, finishing in the Café at Allensford Park.

**Meet at 10.15am for a 10.30am start in Allensford Park off the A68. N.B. NOT the first car park, but the SECOND car park next to the Caravan Site!** For further details or to arrange transport contact Angela Joyce telephone: 0191 2852651 or Mary Fraser telephone: 0191 2414721. New walkers are most welcome to join our friendly group.



## BE VIGILANT

Due to a recent incident, we urge people to be extremely vigilant whilst in the Cathedral. Please take handbags and belongings with you when you go to receive Holy Communion and do not leave valuables (or any other items) behind on your seat.

## MERCY HUB NEWS - DEMENTIA CAFE

The Dementia Café will commence on **Tuesday 28th May from 10.00am to 12 Noon**. Could we ask you to promote the service to your friends and family and to anyone you think would benefit from this service.

In support of the work of the Café - the Kittiwake Trust in Gateshead have offered the loan of books about 'Old Newcastle' and our volunteers are invited to go along to the Trust on Wednesday 15th June. If you would like to be included please meet at the Mercy Hub at 10.30am. For further details about all aspects of the provision please contact Joe Kirwin.

As part of Dementia Action Week the Mercy Hub will also be inviting everyone to come and take part in a Dementia Friends Information session on **Friday 23rd May from 11am till 12noon**. The session is appropriate to people of all ages who wish to learn a little bit more about what it's like to live with the condition. Hopefully this will help them to feel more assured about putting that understanding into action and discovering the small ways in which you can help in everyday life.

For further information on all aspects of the role of the Mercy Hub contact Joe Kirwin. Telephone: 07904881430 or email [joe.kirwin@themercuryproject.org.uk](mailto:joe.kirwin@themercuryproject.org.uk)

## Dates for your Diary..

### MUSIC AND WORSHIP WITH MATT MAHER

On Wednesday 29th May from 7.00pm - 9.00pm, we are hosting an evening of Praise, Worship and Adoration led by Eight time Grammy nominee, Matt Maher. Matt is an International Christian music artist who has had success writing and recording songs like 'Lord I need You' 'Hold Us Together' and 'Because He Lives'

One of the highlights of his ministry was leading three million young people in adoration as he knelt on stage with Pope Francis at World Youth Day in Rio in 2013 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICL5du0GAsU>

This will be a powerful and moving evening and entry is by ticket only. Places are limited so book early, we are charging £10 a ticket to cover event costs. <http://buytickets.at/cathedraltour>

**Tickets will also be on sale on the door.**



### CARDINAL HUME MEMORIAL LECTURE

We are delighted to announce that Catherine Pepinster, former editor of the Tablet will deliver the sixth Cardinal Hume Memorial Lecture here in the Cathedral on **Thursday 11th July at 7.00pm**. Further details will be available in the coming weeks.

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR ST ANDREW'S WORSWICK STREET

Sunday 19th May	6.00pm	Alice M
Monday 20th May	5.30pm	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 21st May	5.30pm	Wellbeing of Molly & Elizabeth R
Wednesday 22nd May	5.30pm	Wellbeing of Lynn & Cyril T
Thursday 23rd May	5.30pm	For Improvement in Online Trading
Friday 24th May	5.30pm	Leo C
Saturday 25th May	12.15pm	Terence Joseph B
	5.00pm	William R
Sunday 26th May	6.00pm	Leo C

# What's happening in and around St Mary's Cathedral this week?

DAY	TIME	MASS   SERVICE   EVENT	
<b>Sunday 19 May</b> Fifth Sunday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>10.00am</b> <b>11.30am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Arnold George Masterson</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> <b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Mary Oliver</b> <b>Edwin Sammut</b>	<i>(Spoken)</i>  <i>(Cantor)</i> <i>(Cathedral Choir)</i> <i>(Music Group)</i>
<b>Monday 20 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<b>Deceased Members of the Aynsley &amp; Kerr Families</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Cathedral Benefactors</b>	
<b>Tuesday 21 May</b> Weekday of Easter Feast	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b> 5.00pm	<b>Riddell Guild of Cathedral Volunteers</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Deceased Members of the Grundy 3Family</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation	
<b>Wednesday 22 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<b>Northern Brethren Fund (NBF)</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Intentions of Carole T</b>	<i>Followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
<b>Thursday 23 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.00am</b> <b>12.05pm</b> 5.00pm	<b>NO MASS</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> <b>Good Shepherd Mass</b> <b>NO MASS</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation	
<b>Friday 24 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<b>Pat Cunningham</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Recitation of the Holy Rosary <b>Mary Donnelly</b>	
<b>Saturday 25 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<b>10.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> 10.30am	<b>In Thanksgiving (SOM)</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation	
<b>Sunday 26 May</b> Sixth Sunday of Easter	<b>8.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Michael Bell (A)</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> <b>Intentions of Erin B</b> <b>Paddy, Chris &amp; Geraldine Moore</b>	<i>(Spoken)</i> <i>(Cantor)</i>  <i>(Cathedral Choir)</i> <i>(Music Group)</i>

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick .

**We pray for those who have died**

and for Michael Bell whose anniversary occurs at this time.

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.***

