

# CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARY

## Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

*In the Pastoral care of Bishop Séamus Cunningham*



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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

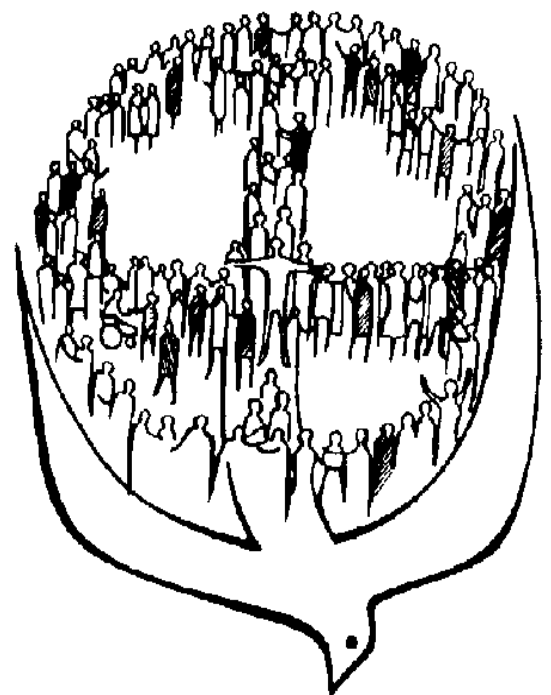
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Have you ever sensed that something is moving within you that you cannot explain? You are faced with a situation that you cannot resolve; you are frightened to speak in case you say the wrong words, then something just happens, an opportunity arises and you are speaking, the words are flowing and the fear is gone. You cannot understand the power that is moving through you, you are just grateful that somehow you have the courage to act and make a difference.

The Holy Spirit is the inspiration that raises our hearts and gives us the courage to speak. Love is flowing from our heavenly Father, through his precious Son and the Holy Spirit, lifting us up, enriching our lives, creating a power within us that is from God. This is the power that gave Philip the courage to go to those old enemies of the Jews, the Samaritans, and stand before them and speak to them about the Good News. This same spirit entered the hearts of his listeners and led them to baptism and a new life in the emerging church of Christ.

Saint Peter travelled the known world bringing the Good News to the pagans and to the Jews. His constant companion was the Holy Spirit. It enabled him to face all sorts of problems in his mission to bring the word of God to his people. The people he spoke to were searching; they lived from day to day without any real hope for the future. Peter tells us how we too can become beacons of light to those who are without hope. "Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you have". There are many in our families, our workplaces and our neighbourhoods who are without hope. Peter advises us to be courteous, respectful and conscientious in our dealings with others; there are many who will listen and walk away, we only sow the seed, the love of God brings it to harvest.

John's gospel is made for Easter. His words of encouragement are there for all. The promise, made by Jesus, speaks to our hearts. We are not orphans in this world. We have a heavenly Father who loves us, a brother who is our Saviour and a Spirit, living within us, whose power can strengthen and guide us. Jesus promises us that "One day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you"; We are one with Christ. This is the encouragement we need to speak to others and remind them that God's love is there waiting for them to turn to Him and say, "Abba Father".



*David Frank*

# Cathedral News...

*All are very welcome to our Masses today;  
especially those who are visiting for the first time.*

## **CLOISTER CAFÉ AND RESTAURANT**

The Cloister Café and Restaurant are open today after the 10.00am and 11.30am Masses. Why not treat yourself!

## **RACE NIGHT**

There will be a race night on Friday 2 June 2017 at 7.30pm. This is to help towards the costs of Fr Dermott's Jubilee. The evening will be held in the Hall at St Joseph's Home (Little Sisters) Tickets are on sale this week priced £5.00. You may also wish to purchase a horse at £1.00 or sponsor a race at £20.00. Those who purchase a horse have a chance of winning a bottle of wine if your horse wins the race. Horses and tickets are available from the Cathedral Café. If you would like to sponsor a race, please contact the Cathedral office. There are 8 races to sponsor. If you are able to donate a raffle prize for the evening they will be gratefully received at the Cathedral Office. Thank You.

## **PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA NEWS**

Have you been into the Bookshop lately? First Holy Communion Season is upon us and the Bookshop have lots of cards and gifts to purchase for family and friends making their First Holy Communion. Why not pop in sometime and have a look?

Until further notice, the Bookshop will be closed on a Monday. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

## **VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUP: FOR THOSE THINKING ABOUT PRIESTHOOD**

The meetings this year will take place: 24 May and 21 June 2017 all here at St Mary's from 6.30pm – 8.30pm.

A meal will follow these evenings of prayer and reflection Further details from Fr David Smith:  
01912676063 stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com

## **FATHER DERMOTT'S SILVER JUBILEE**

Fr Dermott is celebrating his Silver Jubilee with a Concelebrated Mass in the Cathedral on Monday 26 June 2017 at 7.00pm. After Mass everyone is invited to continue to the celebrations in the Old Assembly Rooms, Fenkle Street. If you intend to go to the Assembly Rooms, please obtain a ticket from the information desk today. **Please note tickets must be obtained by Monday 5 June.**

## **DIOCESAN FESTIVAL 2017: SATURDAY 24, YOUTH VILLAGE, CONSETT**

This year's theme is 'Changing Hearts: The Challenge of Discipleship'. Clare Dixon will speak about the life of Oscar Romero, whose centenary we celebrate this year. RISE theatre will present a drama about this martyr of our own times. There will be talks from David Wells and Sr Judith Russi. It includes prayer, liturgy, reflection, mime, discussion and music. It is an opportunity for our whole Diocesan family to come together to celebrate and to be encouraged in our faith offering inspiring speakers for adults as well as activities for young people and children.

Booking forms are now available from the back of Church or from [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk). For more information contact [festival@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:festival@diocesehn.org.uk) or contact the team on 01207 592 244.

**If there is enough interest we will arrange a coach to leave from the Cathedral for the events on the Saturday. If you would like to go, please contact the Cathedral office. The cost will be £10.00 for coach only and £13.00 for coach and lunch.**

## **THANKYOU**

The Music Group would like to thank the anonymous donor for the chocolates they received at Easter. It was very kind of you.

## **A REQUEST FROM THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY**

The Missionaries of Charity are looking for a Typewriter/Word Processor that they would be able to use for their work. If you are able to help, please contact Sr Innocentia on 0191 273 0026

## **PENTECOST SUNDAY INTERNATIONAL MASS**

On Pentecost Sunday (4 June) at 11.30am we shall be celebrating an International Mass. If you would like to read one of the readings or a Prayer of the Faithful in your native tongue, please see Fr Shaun by next Sunday for your reading so you can translate it into your language.

## **GOING INTO HOSPITAL?**

Are you due to have a stay in the RVI or Freeman Hospital? Don't forget to let the chaplain, Fr Andrew know. 0191 232 1892. The Chaplain is not automatically made aware of your stay in Hospital.

## **HAVE YOU LOST A RING?**

A lady phoned to say she had found a ring outside the Cathedral. She has handed it in to Forth Banks Police Station. If you think this might be yours, please contact the Police Station.



# Diocesan News... *Information here can be found at [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk)*



## **24 HOURS OF PRAYER PRAYING FOR OUR NEW PARTNERSHIP**

24 Hours of Prayer will take place in English Martyrs Church, Stamfordham Road praying for our New Partnership. It will take place from 9.00am on 3 June until 9.00am on 4 June. For More information please see the poster in the window or pick up a leaflet from the back of Church.

## **DAY ON THE MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION**

In response to feedback from Forward Together in Hope, there will be a day on Ministry of Consolation, focusing on support for people and their families during terminal illness, or the journey through dementia. Saturday 10 June 2017, Ushaw College, Durham, DH7 9RH, 10:00am for 10:30am start. Refreshments will be served on arrival. Lunch is provided, kindly sponsored by 'Walker & Morrell Funeral Directors Gateshead, Washington & Houghton le Spring.' There is no charge for this day but booking is absolutely essential, no later than Friday 2 June 2017. Please contact [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk) or telephone 0191 243 3302.

## **CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE PARTNERSHIP OF LIFE AND LOVE**

A celebration of Marriage will take place in the Cathedral on 10 June 2017 at 11.00am Everyone is welcome to attend the Mass celebrated by Bishop Séamus

## **JOB VACANCIES**

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies:

Youth Ministry Co-ordinator – Holy Family, Hartlepool, full-time, permanent.

Administrator – Immaculate Heart, Lobley Hill, 16 hours per week.

Organist – St Mary, Barnard Castle, 2 hours per week.

Business Administration Apprentice - Diocesan Offices, Newcastle, full-time.

For further information and an application pack please visit our website [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk)

or contact us (0191 243 3301, email [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk))

## **TYNESIDE CIRCLE NEWMAN ASSOCIATION**

Next talk on Medjugorje by Fr. Martin Morris at St Mary's RC Church Hall, Farringdon Road, Cullercoats NE30 3EY 7.30pm Wednesday 31 May. All welcome.

## **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES JULY 2017**

Have you ever considered going to Lourdes as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage? Booking Forms for the 2017 Pilgrimage are now available. You can ring Tangney Tours (01732 886 666) and ask for them to send you a form. There are several opportunities whilst in Lourdes to offer your services either as helpers, youth, nurses. If you are interested check out the Diocesan Pilgrimage Website for more information [www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk)

## **Other News...**



### **CATHOLIC PEOPLE'S WEEKS**

For over 70 years CPW have been providing "holidays that make a difference", Where you'll find food for thought, faith and Friends. In 2017 they are holding nine events on a range of themes. For more information, please contact the local representative, Brid Fitzpatrick on 07766774822.

### **ST ANNE'S COURT**

There is a 1 Bedroom Flat for Rent. We are looking for prospective applicants for our quiet scheme in Summerhill Grove, Newcastle. The Scheme would suit older, more active persons. Rent is eligible for Local Housing Allowance. For more information, please contact John Mein on 0191 230 1993 or 07917 700593

### **NEWCASTLE CITY CENTRE CHURCHES TOGETHER**

Every month we are asked to pray for particular Churches in the City Centre. In the month of May we pray for St James' United Reformed Church and the Religious Society of Friends (The Quakers)



### **From the Cathedral Archives...**

**25 May 1913**

Mayoral Visit, also Cardinal Vaughan. The Cardinal comes to preach in the Cathedral at the invitation of the (Catholic) Lord Mayor, Alderman J F Weidner

### **On a lighter note...**

A couple of fleas are planning a trip to the far side of a house.

One turns to the other and says,  
'Shall we hop or take the cat?'

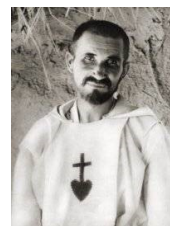
# What's happening in and around St Mary's Cathedral this week?

DAY	TIME	MASS   SERVICE   EVENT	
<b>Sunday 21 May</b> 6th Sunday of Easter  <i>Day of Special Prayer for Human Work</i>	<b>8.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Arnold George Masterson</b> <b>Michael Bell (A)</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> <b>J &amp; A Surmeida and E &amp; I Reyes</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>	<i>(Spoken)</i> <i>(Cantor)</i>  <i>(Cathedral Choir)</i> <i>(Music Group)</i>
<b>Monday 22 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Intentions of Andres Pio Perotta &amp; Family</b>	
<b>Tuesday 23 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b> 5.00pm	<i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Arturo Kabigting</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation	
<b>Wednesday 24 May</b> Weekday of Easter	<i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Marie Cain</b>	
<b>Thursday 25 May</b> St Bede the Venerable, Feast	<i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b> 5.00pm	<i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Freya Armstrong</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation	
<b>Friday 26 May</b> St Philip Neri	<i>10.00am</i> <b>11.30am</b> <b>12.05pm</b>	<i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Thomas McGowan</b>	
<b>Saturday 27 May</b> St Augustine of Canterbury, Feast	<b>10.00am</b> <i>10.00am</i> 10.30am	<b>Flores de Mayo Mass &amp; Procession with the Filipino Community</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.30am	
<b>Sunday 28 May</b> <b>The Ascension of the Lord</b>  <i>Retiring Collection for World Communications Sunday</i>	<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>Audrey Taylor</b> <i>Mass at St Joseph's Home</i> <b>Toby Making</b> <b>Kris Moore</b>	<i>(Spoken)</i> <i>(Cantor)</i>  <i>(Cathedral Choir)</i> <i>(Music Group)</i>

Father, I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will.  
Whatever you may do, I thank you: I am ready for all, I accept all.

Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures - I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my soul: I offer it to you with all the love of my heart,  
for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands without reserve,  
and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.



*Charles de Foucauld*

## Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially...

William Weston, Susan Chilton, Kelly Hudson, Patrick Barrett, Paul Lynn, Patrick Henry, Laura Duffy, Jack Murnane, Robert English, Alan McGovern, Mary O'Brien, Catherine Dunn, Ernest Sultman, Jacob Barton, Jimmy Exley, Julie Conroy, Lynne Fullerton, Zoe Halliwell, Audrey Thompson, Michelle Hawthorn, Jim Henry, Mary Donnelly, Irene Clement, Fr Bill Bellamy, Alban & Kate McKie, Sue Grant, Tom Scott, Karen Dilks, Jimmy Mullen, Linda Stafford, Norman Greenwood, Adam Bradford, Kay Bean, Yadriga Stoinska, Jean Burnett, Sonia, Arthur Kabigting, Lorraine Warren, Peter Sayers, Molly McIver, Patrick Hoey, Jack Harris, Mary Robison and Ann O'Brien

## We pray for those who have died...

Especially Michael Bell  
whose anniversary occur at this time.  
***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.***

## Thought for the Week...

"The Bible tells us to love our neighbours, and also to love our enemies; probably because they are generally the same people."

*GK Chesterton*