



Jesmond St Mary Partnership

Parish Priest

Fr Arockia Mariadass Pagyasamy O.C.D.

Tel: 0191 2655290

email:mariadassodc@yahoo.co.uk

20<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Pentecost Sunday Year B

Page 277

## Diocesan News

**Diocesan Festival 2018** - The sixth Diocesan Festival takes place on Saturday 23 – Sunday 24 June 2018 at the Emmaus Youth Village in Consett. This year's theme is 'Encounter' and there will be talks from Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow OBE, Sr Judith Russi and Sara Bryson. It includes prayer, liturgy, reflection, 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. For more information visit our Festival page or read the Festival booklet (includes booking form).

**Pentecost Novena** Our Partnerships were formally launched on Pentecost Sunday 2017. To mark their first year, we are offered a Diocesan Novena leading up to Pentecost 2018. It began on the Friday after Ascension (Thursday 11 May), and is available on the Spirituality Facebook page and through the daily email reflections. If you would like to receive it, please contact the Department. Tel 0191 243 3302 or mail [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk).

**Adoremus Eucharistic Congress** - If you would like to attend the Congress Day at Liverpool Echo Arena on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2018, the cost of the ticket can be covered by your partnership (if no partnership places are available or you are unable to find out, please contact us). If you wish to attend, please email us at [liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk) or call 0191 2433312 or 0191 2433313 for a booking form. The form can be also downloaded from our website [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) Forms must be returned by Friday 25 May 2018. Your partnership may be organising transport to and from the event. Please speak to your parish priest/partnership dean for more information.

Further information on the full Adoremus event and how you can attend the Friday Symposium/Sunday Pilgrimage Mass is also available on the website.

See Fr Mariadass if you wish to attend.

## Partnership News

**Mass Books** – this Sunday is Pentecost and that will be the last day for the use of the current Mass books. If you have borrowed a copy or accidentally taken on away, could you please return it by next week so they can be safely stored until next needed?

**Pro-life Petition** – SPUC have launched a petition calling for the Home Secretary to oppose moves to restrict pro-life citizens' freedom of expression and freedom to pray outside abortion centres. Proposals have been made to prevent pro-life supporters from offering support to vulnerable women at these locations. Please support this petition; copies are available at the back of Church. Further copies of the petition and are available by calling SPUC on 020 7091 7091

**Walsingham** – a few booklets on the history of the Shrine, its message and its programme of events for this year are available in the porch. Our Bishops have agreed to the rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary around the Feast of the Assumption in 2020. In preparation for the rededication, the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit every cathedral in England for a triduum of prayer.

## St. Aidan's

Coach Lane, Benton, NE12 8AD  
[www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com](http://www.staidansbenton.yolasite.com)

**J&P Plant & Home Bake Sale** - Please come & enjoy our annual event, which is before and after Mass today. In celebration of our multicultural parish, we are introducing a World Food Stall Refreshments available. All proceeds go to help people in need.

**Congratulations** to all the children who made their first Holy Communion yesterday. Please keep them all in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

**Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament** will take place every Tuesday at 6.00 pm, followed by Mass at 6.30 pm.

**Black Bull Carpark:** Anybody parking in the Black Bull car park on Sunday mornings, or for any other church activities, must go into the pub to register their car onto a computer. This must be done each time you use the carpark, even if you have already provided you registration number. Please knock on the door or window if the pub is closed. The Black Bull are still happy for us to use their carpark as long as we register our cars each time. If you have received a ticket since the new system was introduced, the pub will cancel the ticket on request.

**Pentecost Novena** - We will pray the Novena together before Mass on Sunday and at weekday services.

**Please Pray for our Sick and Housebound Parishioners:**

## St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus

Heaton Road, Heaton, NE6 5HN

office@stteresasheaton.org.uk / www.stteresasheaton.org.uk

**SPECIAL NOTICE** – for all persons or groups using the Parish room, in future, please use the office entrance as the Presbytery door will be for the use of the priests only and those who have business with them. Fr. Mariadass will issue keys (if needed) to those who require them. Also, please ensure that the door is firmly locked on leaving.

**International Mass**, 20<sup>th</sup> May. We are celebrating the Feast of Pentecost with an international Mass this year. We would love as many different members of the parish as possible to be involved through prayer, music or a special coffee morning. If you would like to be involved, please see Andrea, Janet or Sarah.

**Exploring the Word of God** – group meets in the parish room each Monday in term time to explore the readings for the following Sunday. Why not try and join us? All are welcome.

**Martha and Mary's** – now open 10.30am until 1.30pm on the first and third Saturdays of every month. Come along and you may see some familiar faces behind the counter. Next Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> Martha and Mary are hosting 'The Big Breakfast' in support of Christian Aid. Please drop in if you can.

*Please keep our sick and elderly parishioners in your prayers this week, especially Monica Hastie, Gwen Maguire, Margaret McEvoy, Joan Stobo and Elsie Ryott. Also, please pray for Fr. David Tanner and Fr James Doherty. If someone you know would like a home visit, or wants Communion, please inform the parish office.*

Prayers etc.

### **New Partnership Prayer:**

Risen Christ, from your abundant grace, pour out afresh your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese. As we build on the deep foundations of faith laid by the countless saints of these Northern lands, by Aidan and Cuthbert, Hilda, Bede and St Teresa of the Infant Jesus, may our Partnerships continue the mission of building your Kingdom on the earth: to give living witness to your love, and to your compassion and hope for our world. We pray in trustful confidence that your power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Through the same Christ our Lord, Amen.

“Communication is part of God’s plan for us and an essential way to experience fellowship. Made in the image and likeness of our Creator, we are able to express and share all that is true, good, and beautiful. We are able to describe our own experiences and the world around us, and thus to create historical memory and the understanding of events. But when we yield to our own pride and selfishness, we can also distort the way we use our ability to communicate. This can be seen from the earliest times, in the biblical stories of Cain and Abel and the Tower of Babel (cf. Gen 4:4-16; 11:1-9). The capacity to twist the truth is symptomatic of our condition, both as individuals and communities. On the other hand, when we are faithful to God’s plan, communication becomes an effective expression of our pursuit of goodness responsible search for truth and our pursuit of goodness

In today’s fast-changing world of communications and digital systems, we are witnessing the spread of what has come to be known as “fake news”. This calls for reflection, which is why I have decided to return in this World Communications Day Message to the issue of truth, which was raised time and time again by my predecessors, beginning with Pope Paul VI, whose 1972 Message took as its theme: “Social Communications at the Service of Truth”. In this way, I would like to contribute to our shared commitment to stemming the spread of fake news and to rediscovering the dignity of journalism and the personal responsibility of journalists to communicate the truth.”

*Pope Francis’ Message for World Communications Day*

There will be a retiring collection for Church communication services after Mass this week.

## Ministries

St. Aidan's Eucharistic Ministers and Readers				
Date	Host	Chalice	Chalice	Reader
20 May	Frank G	Sheila C	Giovanni M	Joby R
27 May	Sheila C	Julia F	Margaret A	Carole L
Dene Park Rest Home Sunday Visitor				
27 May	Catherine C			
10 June	Terry L			
24 June	Robin U			

St. Teresa's Ministers				
Date	Eucharist	Reader	Prayers	Welcomer
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Bernadine D Michael P Sheila H	First Communion Children	First Communion Children	First Communion Children
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Beverley PG Austin F Vicky M	John B	Brereton Family	Sheila H

## This Week's Services

Day & Date	Feast	St. Aidan's	St. Teresa's
Sunday 20th May	Pentecost Sunday	9:15 am Mass Josephine Devlin	11:00 am Peggy & Leo McConnell
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Mary Mother of the Church	No Service -	No Service
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May		6:30 pm Mass	No Service
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May		10:00 am CW&C	6-30 pm Private Intention CO
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest	10-00 am Mass	No Service
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May		10:00 am CW&C	9:15 Mass
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Most Holy Trinity	9:15 am Mass	11:00 am

CW&C – Celebration of the Word and Communion

