

Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle Hilda Partnership		
Parish of St Thomas of Canterbury		
Holy Rosary Presbytery, 2 Grosmont Drive, Billingham. TS23 2EP Parish Priest: Father Adrian Dixon.		
Week beginning: 20th October, 2024.		

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Day	Holy Mass and Services	Intention
Sunday 20th October. <small>29th Sunday of the Year.</small>	Holy Mass at Holy Rosary - 10.00 AM	Gerard Armstrong
Monday 21st October.	No Mass today.	
Tuesday 22nd Oct.	No Mass today.	
	10.00 AM - Funeral Service for Steven Ebblewhite at Stockton Crematorium.	
Wednesday 23rd Oct.	Holy Rosary: There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Evening Prayer of the Church from 6.15 PM to 6.45 PM.	
	Holy Mass at Holy Rosary - 7.00 PM	Rose Wall
Thursday 24th Oct.	Holy Mass at Holy Rosary - 9.30 AM	Kenneth & Eileen Springett and Margaret Whelan
Friday 25th October.	Holy Mass at St John's - 10.00 AM	Karlene Warner
Saturday 19th Oct. <small>Vigil Mass - 30th Sunday of the Year.</small>	St John's - No confessions today.	
	Holy Mass at St John's - Vigil Mass - 5.30 PM	Special Intention (REA)
Sunday 20th October. <small>30th Sunday of the Year.</small>	Sunday Holy Mass at Holy Rosary - 10.00 AM	Parishioners

Please pray for the sick				
Sheila Allen	Ann Christeson	Sarah McAllister	Father John Skivington	Avril Wordsworth
Stephen Allison	Canon Stephen Dye	Rev. Dan Mckie	Peter Smith	
Michael Bickers	Sheila Holmes	Grace Ollie	Judith Sowerby	
Maureen Braithwaite	Judy Houchen	Cai Rive	Lily Ward-Thurlbeck	
Carol Brownlee	Brian Kane	Christine Rooney	Helen Webb	
Baby Cassian	Maureen Maddren	Max Simpson	Kate Williams	

Please pray for those who have died recently
John Wordsworth, Rose Wall, Eileen Minto, and Steven Ebblewhite.

Special Collection this weekend for World Mission Sunday. Next weekend, there is a Special Collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

The Month of November.

We know that we keep this month for special prayers for those who have died. There will be a Mass for all of those who have died during the past 12 months in Holy Rosary church on Wednesday, 20th November at 7.00pm. There is a list at the back of each church for anyone you know whom you would like to be remembered at that Mass.

Mission to Seafarers.

Aidan Webster, Centre Manager of the North Tees & Hartlepool Mission to Seafarers, runs a small Mission to Seafarers Centre on Seal Sands Road providing hospitality and support to seafarers visiting Teesport. He is hoping to extend his opening hours on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays and to be open on other days. Volunteers are needed to help with this to welcome seafarers to the Centre, serve behind the shop counter and befriend them. Full training is given. If you can help please contact Aidan on 01642 546 424 or by email to: www.ntees@mtsmail.org

Christmas gifts for Seafarers.

For many years, we have been supporting Seafarers who spend countless months away from their loved ones. Once again, we wish to create Christmas gifts to show our gratitude and support for the important work the seafarers do. Any donations of men's toiletries, new socks, hats & gloves, chocolate, sweets & packs of cards will be greatly appreciated and can be left at the back of church. Last date for donating will be Sunday, 17th November, 2024.

400 Club Winners for September.

£100	240	J Murray
£100	303	M Peacock
£50	46	W Scott
£50	37	A Buckley

October Rosary.

The Rosary will be said before Mass on Thursdays at Holy Rosary Church and Fridays at St. John's Church during the month of October. This will be led by members of the SVP.

CAFOD's Family Fast Day.

Please place your CAFOD Family Fast envelopes in the box at the back of church - or you can give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope.

FLAME 2025.

Flame 2025 takes place on Saturday 15th March. The theme is 'UNSTOPPABLE. FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE'. It is open to anyone from school year 9 to University/young adult age. Under 18s must be part of an organised group. Please talk with your school chaplain, catechist or parish priest if you would like to come along. Two years ago, over 700 young people from our Diocese travelled to Wembley Arena for this national Catholic youth gathering. Once again, YMT is hoping to take a large number of young people (up to 1,000 including accompanying adults). COST: £45 per person (includes return rail travel, Wembley ticket and London travel card). The cost has been generously subsidised by Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. For further information contact mary.hughes@ymt.org

Youth 2000 Holy Hour.

Youth 2000 is holding a holy hour of prayer & praise, rosary, reflection and social on Saturday 26th October 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) Further enquiries by email to irishanthony12@gmail.com

RCIA.

Our next meeting for those exploring becoming members of the Church will take place on Wednesday, 16th October in the Sacristy of Holy Rosary Church after the 7.00 PM Mass.

Saint Vincent De Paul Society (SVP).

For anything SVP related please speak to one of our members or contact Jane (07584 575541) or Janet (07840 967111).

The Food Hub continues every Friday 12 noon to 3.00 PM without any need of a referral. The Food Hub is open to all.

Car Parking.

Please park with consideration for our neighbours and please avoid parking on Grosmont Drive. Thank you for your kind co-operation.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 16:6,8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;
turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
grant that we may always conform our will to yours
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement,
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over
he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,
taking their faults on himself.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 32:4-5,18-20,22. R.v2

R) **May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.**

The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R)

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R)

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. (R)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest
who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let
go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had
a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with
us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that
we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in
approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from
him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mk 10:45

The Son of Man came to save,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus.
'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He
said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said
to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at
your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking,'
Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or
be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?'
They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must
drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be
baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand
or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to
whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant
with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to
them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers
lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt.
This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to
become great among you must be your servant, and anyone
who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the
Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and
to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, Lord, we pray,
a sincere respect for your gifts,
that, through the purifying action of your grace,
we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mk 10:45

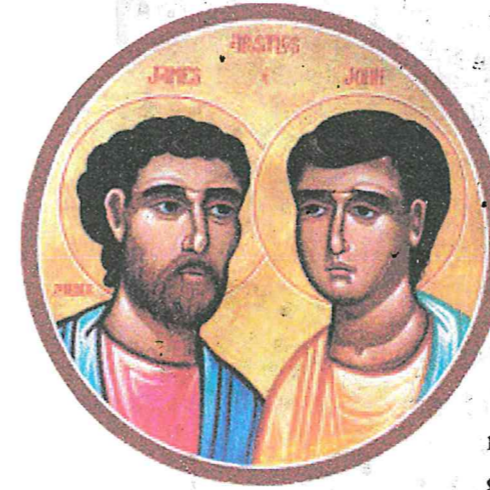
The Son of Man has come
to give his life as a ransom for many.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray,
that, benefiting from participation in heavenly things,
we may be helped by what you give in this present age
and prepared for the gifts that are eternal.
Through Christ our Lord.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



The fact that the Apostles often
come across as being naïve and
ignorant should be a consolation

to us, who often fail to understand the message of the Gospel. Here we have James and John trying to arrange with Jesus to have the best places in heaven! Jesus' reply is very hard. He tells James and John, and therefore all of us, that there is much suffering to go through before such a reward can be ours. In fact, Jesus goes even further, he tells us that greatness can only be achieved through humility and he himself is the prime example. Jesus, God

incarnate, came not to be served, but to serve and to give his life. This episode is similar to the one where Jesus wants to wash the feet of the disciples and Peter immediately objects. Again Jesus is telling the Apostles that if they really wish to follow him they must become servants of all.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM
(JOY OF THE GOSPEL)SOCIAL DIALOGUE FOR
A NEW CULTURE

202. Lack of dialogue means that in these individual sectors people are concerned not for the common good, but for the benefits of power or, at best, for ways to impose their own ideas. Round tables thus become mere negotiating sessions, in which individuals attempt to seize every possible advantage, rather than cooperating in the pursuit of the common good. The heroes of the future will be those who can break with this unhealthy mindset and determine respectfully to promote truthfulness, aside from personal interest. God willing, such heroes are quietly emerging, even now, in the midst of our society.

The Fire of Love*

A SONG OF LOVE (2)

Now I grow pale and wan for love of my beloved, Jesus both God and Man! Your love taught me when I ran to you, and so now I know how to love you.

I sit and sing of the love-longing that is growing within my breast. Jesus! Jesus! Jesus! Why am I not led to you?

I know truly that you see my state! My thought is fixed upon Love. When I shall see you and dwell with you, then I shall be filled and fed.

Jesus, your love is constant and you know the best way to love me! When shall my heart break forth to come to you and rest?

Jesus! Jesus! Jesus! I mourn for you! When may I turn hence to you, my life and my living?

Jesus, my dear and my darling! My delight is to sing of you! Jesus my mirth and my melody! When will you come, my King?

Jesus, my salvation and my sweetness, my hope and my comfort! Jesus, I desire to die whenever it pleases you. The longing your love has sent me overwhelms me.

*The Fire of Love by Richard Rolle Published by Aeterna Press

