



Ss ANTHONY OF PADUA & FRANCIS PARISH

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5th SEPTEMBER 2021 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY (YEAR B)

“EPHPHATHA”

“BE OPENED”

HE MAKES THE DEAF
HEAR AND THE DUMB
SPEAK

Mark: 7: 31-37

Some thoughts on today's scripture:

Jesus is on the move again, like a Shepherd searching for his stray sheep. All he wants is to heal, and we need healing. We are often deaf to His calls, and we are dumb when we should be witnessing to the Good News. Let us spend a few moments with this man, Jesus, and as we gaze at Him can we hear Him or speak to Him? Do we feel Jesus' fingers in our ears and on our tongues? Suddenly the world of sound opens up to us. We praise Him for His goodness to us. When we were baptised our ears and tongues were blessed, so that we could hear God's word and praise God. We ask the Lord to renew these gifts we were given but then may have left unused.

DAY	MASS TIMES, SERVICES & INTENTIONS AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK
Sunday 5 Sept	9.30am Sunday Morning Mass <u>IN CHURCH</u> – At St. Columba's Wallsend 11.00am Sunday Morning Mass <u>IN CHURCH</u> – At St. Anthony of Padua, Walker Mass Intention: Safety of Afghan People Reader: Janet Henderson
Monday 6 Sept	No Services
Tuesday 7 Sept	7.00pm (St. Columba's Church)
Wed 8 Sept	10.00am (St. Anthony's) Feast of Our Blessed Virgin Mary's Nativity Intention: Doris Clapshoe Reader: Margaret Richardson
Thurs 9 Sept	10.00am (St. Columba's Church)
Friday 10 Sept	10.00am (St. Anthony's) Intention: Priest's Intention Reader: Sr. Sylvia Swift
Saturday 11 Sept	No Services
Sunday 12 Sept	9.30am Sunday Morning Mass <u>IN CHURCH</u> – At St. Columba's Wallsend 11.00am Sunday Morning Mass <u>IN CHURCH</u> – At St. Anthony of Padua, Walker Mass Intention: For our sick & elderly Priests Reader: Jennifer Richardson

UPDATED SITUATION FOR SUNDAY MASS: EASING OF COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS

After Sunday 5th September 2021, it will no longer be necessary to book a place for Mass. We still encourage the wearing of masks and ask you to sanitise your hands and maintain social distancing. Seating arrangements at St Columba's and St Anthony's will remain the same and the signs on the pews will remain in place for the time being. The stewards will continue to support and assist you especially in moving around the church, on arrival and departure and during Holy Communion. We continue to pray for this situation while being mindful that it might be necessary to return to booking if the infection rate and situation worsens.

Thank you for continued support in these matters, Fr. David.

CLERGY CHANGES: To remind you all once again, further to the announcement made recently by Fr. David regarding Clergy changes, please be advised as follows: Fr. Sean O'Neill will be taking on the responsibility of St. Anthony of Padua & Francis Parish from **1st October 2021**, along with the continued responsibilities he has already for St. Teresa's Heaton, St. Lawrence's Byker and St. Vincent's Walker. Fr. David advises that the weekend Mass will take place at St. Anthony of Padua & Francis **on a Saturday Evening at 5.30pm from Saturday 2nd October. There will be no Sunday morning Mass.** Any further announcements will be given as the changes progress. Pray for Fr. David, Fr. Sean and other Priests of the Diocese. whose workloads are increasing at this time.

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Faith Online

Are you wondering about your relationship with God and not sure where to start? Join us on a journey this Autumn and see if the Catholic Church can help your relationship grow. This may be the right path for you. It may even help you take the next steps towards coming into the Church. We gather weekly via Zoom and invite you to come along to find out more. Starts Wednesday 22nd September at 7pm. If you are interested to find out more, enquire/register using the [Online Enquiry Form](#) or email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk.

Faith & Mission

FIRST STEPS

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WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT 7PM

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LET US PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK:
Rhoda Robertson, John Gourley, Doreen Graham, June Stephenson, Margaret O'Brien, Dorothy Milor, Rosemary McIlvenna, Monica McKinnon, Peter Graham, Aileen, Nancy Charlton

FOR OUR SICK CHILDREN: Joseph Relph, Josh Graham, James Taylor, Theo Abbott

FOR: NHS & frontline workers, St. Anthony of Padua Carers, all Priests, Deacons and other Clergy.

Appeal Little Sisters of the Poor- UPDATE

There has been an update from the Little Sisters. The dealers have changed their requirements. They will take foreign stamps, pictorial stamps from the UK, stamps from the early part of the Queen's reign (i.e. 1950's) and previous monarchs. Currency from any country or period, gold and silver, (even broken items) and military medals. There is a box at the back of Church for donated items. Please be assured of the prayers and Masses of the sisters and the residents. THANK YOU.

A COMBONI MISSIONARY SISTER



WILL BE HERE ON

PRAY GIVE SERVE

11-12 SEPT 2021

MISSIONARY APPEAL

By the Comboni Missionary Sisters on **next Sunday 12th September 2021.**

The Comboni Sisters are women called by God and consecrated to him for the mission of evangelization. The Sisters originate from 33 nationalities and work in 30 different countries across four continents making Africa their priority. The Sisters are called by God to evangelise, to build bridges between people, cultures, and religions, setting the downtrodden free. Please give what support & generosity you can.

Foodbank



Thank you to all who have been able to continue supporting the Foodbank. This is a wonderful way to support people in our locality who are struggling just now. If you can give, just 1 or 2 food items will help. **At this current time, the Foodbank has more than enough Pasta & Tea (thanks) but what they do require are the following: Long Life Milk, Pot Noodles and Oats to Go (for those people without appliances.) Also urgently needed are Pasta SAUCES, tinned products etc. (Supermarket own brands are great.)** We are grateful to Joe Taylor, helped by Jim McLaughlin, who are helping to deliver your goods to the Foodbank. **PLEASE BRING DONATIONS TO MASS. Or call St. Anthony's Parish Secretary on 0191 2623817 if you need someone to collect your donation. Thank you.**

FINANCIAL SUPPORT PARISH

To set up a regular **STANDING ORDER** or **ONLINE BANKING** please download the forms from our Website, or a copy is available from Parish Office.

PARISH BANK: H.S.B.C.

Account Name: "DHN Newcastle Ss. Anthony of Padua & Francis: A Registered Charity"

(Sort Code: 40.34.45) Account No. 61165089

'GIFT AIDING' for the first time and are a UK Taxpayer? You will need to download the 'Gift Aid Form 2021-22' which can be found on our Website. Please complete and send it back to the Parish Office, to forward to Diocese as it is a legal document, required by HMRC.

DIOCESAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

RESPONDING TO THE CRY OF THE EARTH AND THE POOR

CONFERENCE

MASS-INSPIRING SPEAKERS WORKSHOPS

SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

FREE EVENT BUT

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

ALL BOOKINGS SHOULD BE IN BY THE 10TH OF SEPTEMBER
EMMAUS VILLAGE, 10AM - 4PM

FOR BOOKINGS, PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:
EMMAUS VILLAGE AT melany.francisco@ymt.org
OR CHRIS AT chrisj.myers57@gmail.com

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BAPTISM

If you are seeking to have your child baptised and are regularly attending Mass, then please ask Fr David for a baptism application form and once filled in and returned he will advise you on how to take the next steps. To request a baptism for your child you need to come along to Sunday Mass at 11.00am at St Anthony of Padua (or 9.30am at Our Lady and St Columba.) Please keep yourself informed by regularly looking at our newsletters which are on the website: stanthonystfrancis.org.uk. If you do not already regularly attend Mass then after doing so for a few weeks, please introduce yourself to Fr David Smith and, if appropriate, you will be given a baptism application form. Once the form is returned you will be given a date to attend for a baptism catechesis session. Once that is completed then you will be offered dates from which you can choose the most suitable for your family. Please be understanding and respectful during this process. I look forward to baptising your child into the community. Fr. David.

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