



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI
 Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill
 St Mary ▪ Whickham
 St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

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The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, is generally available Tuesday to Friday 10am – 2pm in the Parish Office, St Mary's Presbytery, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL ☎ 0191 460 4274 ✉ stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk

Sunday 24 February 2019

Seventh Sunday of the Year

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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 23 February *St Polycarp*

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri Michael Almond (dec.)

Sunday 24 February

9.30am St Mary Terry Burke (ann.)

Seventh Sunday of the Year

11.00am Immaculate Heart People of the Parish

Weekday Readings: Ordinary Time Week 7, Year 1

Monday 25 February	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 26 February	6.30pm	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of the Corrigan & Rossi Families
Wednesday 27 February	<u>9.30am</u>	St Philip Neri	Mary (Maureen) Fagan (dec.)
Thursday 28 February	9.30am	St Mary	The Richardson Family (dec.)
Friday 1 March <i>St David</i>	10.00am	St Mary	In Thanksgiving (MD)
<i>World Day of Prayer</i>			

Saturday 2 March

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri People of the Parish

Sunday 3 March

9.30am St Mary Edward & Mary Ann Arnold (ann.)

Eighth Sunday of the Year

11.00am Immaculate Heart Cecilia McCusker (dec.)

Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.00pm - 5.20pm

Tuesday at Immaculate Heart 6.00pm - 6.25pm Friday at St Mary 9.40am - 9.55am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary 9.00am Wednesday at St Philip Neri

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Friday at St Mary

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Matty Bullock, Pat Flynn, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Liz McKenna, Peter McLoughlin, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Garth Anthony Pfeiffer, Joseph Relph, Geoff Taylor, Ken Webster.

If you or any members of your family are going into hospital and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain, please ask a member of the ward staff to let the Catholic Chaplain know. For the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, you can contact the Chaplaincy Department Office directly tel. 0191 445 2072.

BISHOPS COMING AND GOING.....

On Monday 4 February, Pope Francis announced that, in succession to Bishop Séamus, he has appointed the Rt Revd Robert Byrne to be the next Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. Bishop Robert is currently an auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Retirement Collection and Gift for Bishop Séamus

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the retiring collection for Bishop Séamus taken last weekend. **There are envelopes available at the back of each church for individual donations which may be made up until Sunday 17 March.** Please make any cheques payable to the *Parish of Our Lady and St Philip Neri*, write on the back of the cheque 'Bishop's Retirement Gift' and put it in one of the envelopes provided at the back of church. Thank you.

Installation of Bishop Robert Byrne as the 14th Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle

The Installation Mass for Bishop Robert will be celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral at 12 noon on Monday 25th March 2019, Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord.

Entry to the Cathedral for this Mass will be by invitation and ticket only.

Please pray for Bishop Séamus and Bishop Robert as they each prepare for the next phase of their ministry.

THE SEASON OF LENT begins this year on Ash Wednesday 6 March. Masses in the parish on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated at the following times:
9.30am at St Mary, Whickham

6.30pm at Immaculate Heart, Lobley Hill

The full schedule of Lenten and Holy Week Services will be published in next weekend's newsletter.

SENIOR MOMENTS The next planning meeting for volunteers will be held this Monday 25 February at 1.30pm and the Senior Moments Lunch will be on Wednesday 6 March at 11.30am both in St Mary's Church Hall. We look forward to seeing you!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (formerly Women's World day of Prayer)

Whickham This year's Service will be held this Friday 1 March at 1.30pm at Fellside Methodist Church followed by light refreshments.

The World Day of Prayer is an annual event working together with local Christian Churches. We are looking to attract new members willing to commit to three daytime meetings a year. The Service itself is always on the first Friday in March. For further information please contact Christine Norman from St Mary's Church, Whickham on tel. 07957 810471.

Dunston This year's Service for the community of Dunston will be held on Friday 1 March in St Nicholas C of E Church, Hexham Road, Dunston. The Service begins at 2pm with refreshments afterwards. All are welcome!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 March at 1.30pm in the Weekday Chapel at Immaculate Heart Church. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, or if you are interested in what we hope to do with this ministry, please come along. We would welcome names of people in our parish who might benefit from receiving a prayer shawl. For further information please contact Joan McCoy tel. 0191 488 4395.

Veronica and Barney Hayes would like to pass on their thanks to the Prayer Shawl Ministry Group for the gifts of a prayer shawl and cushion. God Bless to you all.

DIOCESAN TRAINING COURSE FOR SACRISTANS AND LAY LEADERS - *Marking the Books*

on Thursday 21 March from 10.30am to 3pm at St Hilda's Resource Centre, St Cuthbert's House, 391 West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY. **Please note this course is now fully booked** however, the Liturgy Department will be keeping a reserve list in case of cancellations and anyone wishing to be added to the list should contact Claire Walton on: email liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk or tel. 0191 243 3312. Please note Claire's contact details and usual office hours are: Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am - 4.30pm and Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

Under the leadership of the Bishop, this Pilgrimage will take place from Friday 26 July to Friday 2 August. The theme is "*Blessed are the poor for the Kingdom of God is yours.*" Information booklets and booking forms are available at the back of each of our churches. For more information, please visit website www.tangney-tours.com/hn or contact the Pilgrimage Director, Fr Peter Stott, at St Robert's Presbytery, Morpeth tel. 01670 513410 email lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk **Appeal for Nurses** Could you spare one week of your holiday to come and work as a nurse on this annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes? Further information is available on the poster displayed at the back of church. Please contact before 30 April to ensure Registration and DBS checks are completed in time for the pilgrimage.

ANOTHER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

St Alban's Church, Pelaw and St Patrick's Church, Felling are organising a Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 10 to 15 October, 2019 with Tangney Tours. Flying from Newcastle to Toulouse (via Amsterdam) with a coach transfer from Toulouse to Lourdes. Full board and accommodation in the 4-star Hotel Méditerranée. The price of £635 is based on sharing a room (an additional supplement is payable for a single room). For further information please contact St Patrick's Church, Felling email felling.stpatrick@rcdhn.org.uk or tel. 0191 495 2277.

FR PAUL ZIELINSKI will be inducted as Parish Priest of St Anne, Harlow Green, Gateshead during Mass beginning at 7.00pm on Wednesday 27 February. Please keep Fr Paul and his new parishioners in your prayers.

MUSIC WORKSHOP The Diocesan Church Music Association (DCMA) is presenting an accessible 'Keyboard Free' music workshop on Saturday 9 March from 10am to 3pm at Ushaw College, Durham. Cost is £10 and includes soup and sandwich lunch. Booking is essential. Further information is available on the poster displayed at the back of church or by email to alisonpurvis1@hotmail.com or tel. 0191 371 9184.

THE MERCY PROJECT @ ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL is due to be launched soon with the help of volunteers like YOU! Here is a list of the up-coming projects: *Mercy on the Move - Supporting the homeless; Dementia Café; Supporting Children of Refugees; Cooking with Young People; Drop In.* Further information on each of the projects is available on the poster at the back of church. If there is a project you would like to get involved with, or if you would just like more information, please email joe.kirwin@themercuryproject.org.uk or tel. 07904 881430 or visit the Mercy Project website: <http://themercuryproject.org.uk/>

DIOCESAN VACANCIES The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

- 1) Administrator, Department for Safeguarding. Full-time, 12 month fixed term contract. Closing date for applications is Thursday 28 February.
- 2) Cleaner, St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. 20 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. Closing date is applications is Monday 4 March. For further information and details of how to apply please visit the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk or tel. 0191 243 3301 or email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please type or write the item with as much detail as possible (i.e. description of the event or notice, dates, times, venue, contact person, links to further information) and then either email to stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 10am on Thursday 28 February at the latest.**



Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

Our Vision

Inspired by the Risen Christ, we aim to be a Church where communities of faith flourish, members accept co-responsibility for the building of God's Kingdom, enabling all to live life to the full.

Our Mission

To be a welcoming, worshipping people of God, sharing the Good News, growing as Disciples of Jesus in faith, and living in loving service of others.

Our Values

Trust
Service
Respect
Integrity
Compassion

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 and Bede,
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.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Reading*1 Samuel 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23*

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13 R/v.8*

Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.
3. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.
4. As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him.

Second Reading*1 Corinthians 15:45-49*

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth,

is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 13:34*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another,
just as I have loved you,
says the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel*Luke 6:27-38*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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