



Jesus said to them, 'follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Matthew 4:19-20

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Sunday 26 January 2020

Third Sunday of the Year

Year A

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 25 January *The Conversion of St Paul*

Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 26 January	9.30am	St Mary	Trish and Mary Primett (dec.)
Third Sunday of the Year (A)	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Kathy Johnson (ann.)
<i>Sunday of the Word of God</i>			

Weekday Mass Readings - Ordinary Time Week 3 (Year 2)

Monday 27 January	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 28 January <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of the Rossi & Corrigan Families
Wednesday 29 January	10.00am	St Philip Neri	Wilfred Potts (dec.)
Thursday 30 January	9.30am	St Mary	Marjorie Gray (dec.)
Friday 31 January <i>St John Bosco</i>	10.00am	St Mary	Bernard & Anne McKenna (dec.)

Saturday 1 February

Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 2 February	9.30am	St Mary	Joe Welsh (dec.)
The Presentation of the Lord (A)	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Bob Payne (ann.)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.00pm - 5.20pm

Tuesday at Immaculate Heart 9.10am - 9.25am Friday at St Mary 9.40am - 9.55am



Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am on Wednesday at St Philip Neri

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am on Friday at St Mary

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Matty Bullock, Raymond Deponio, Pat Flynn, Barney Hayes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Peter McLoughlin, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Geoff Taylor.

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 (Catholic Chaplain: Rev. Peter Jones). For the RVI and Freeman Hospitals in Newcastle, tel. 0191 233 6161 (Catholic Chaplain: Fr Mariadass 0191 265 5290).

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD On the 30 September last year (the Feast of St Jerome), Pope Francis instituted a special day dedicated to celebrating the Word of God. In his Apostolic Letter entitled *Aperuit illis* ('He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures' Lk 24:45), **Pope Francis declared the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as the *Sunday of the Word of God* so this will be celebrated at Masses this weekend 25/26 January.** The Holy Father writes 'Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the Word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world.'

SENIOR MOMENTS will be on Wednesday 5 February from 11.30am in St Mary's Church Hall. Please come along for a hot lunch, chat, bingo and quiz. If you haven't joined us before, or for quite some time, why not come along to see what you are missing! All volunteers are invited to the **planning meeting this Monday 27 January at 1pm** in St Mary's Church Hall - it would be great if you have any new ideas to share. Thank you.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEXT PPC MEETING The next PPC meeting will take place **on Wednesday 5 February, 6.30pm** at Immaculate Heart. If you have any suggestions for the agenda, please discuss the issue with your church PPC representative and submit the item ASAP please. As a reminder the PPC representatives for each church are:

Immaculate Heart - Maveen Pereira, Christine Crawley, Wendy O'Reilly, Allan Bell.

St Mary - Philip Cunningham, Tony Sacco, Janice Hall, Jen Jones.

St Philip Neri - Denise Hebron, Michael Waugh, John Pinchen, Katie Wilkinson

Youth matters - David Khachikian.

Finance matters - Malcolm Shield.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 4 February 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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT IMMACULATE HEART A reminder of the Children's Liturgy Dates at Immaculate Heart. Children's Liturgy normally runs every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month during the 11am Mass at Immaculate Heart and the next few dates are:
2 & 16 February, 1 & 15 March. Many thanks - Wendy, Margaret & Lilian.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM ST MARY'S SVP St Mary's SVP would like to thank those who knitted and sold the Santa Clauses and Angels at Christmas. The total amount raised was £150 which was used to support the baby stations in Juba, Sudan and also to send food to Joe's Place in Gateshead.

GIFT FOR LIFE



More Thanks from grateful recipients for the generosity of parishioners of Our Lady and St Philip's who support the causes of Gift for Life.

Sr Joyce and Sr Vicky were overwhelmed by the warmth of their welcome

and the kindness and generosity they received from both St Mary's Primary School and our parish and they assure us all of prayers for our intentions.

A big thank you to everyone who bought our parish Christmas card. So far we have covered printing costs and have made a profit of £167 for *Gift for Life* causes. We still have plenty of the cards available for next Christmas too.

Joe's Place Café in Gateshead express sincere thanks to all at Our Lady and St Philip's for the generous donation of £200 towards their work within the local community.

£200 was also sent to the Diocesan Refugee Project in Newcastle.

CHARITABLE PROJECTS IN KENYA AND UGANDA

This Sunday 26 January, Clive Kelly will share information and show photographs of the charitable projects he has helped establish in Kenya and Uganda. **The event, this Sunday 26 January at St Joseph's Church Hall in Blaydon, will be between 4 and 6 pm and will also feature the new farming project that Sister Vicky has opened to empower rural women in one of the poorest parts of Kenya.** There will be a PowerPoint presentation, photograph sale, food, drink and more. No charge but donations gratefully accepted. All welcome.

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL EVENING 2020 The Theme this year is *Stand Together*. 2020 marks the 75th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. **On Tuesday 28 January our Diocesan commemoration takes place at St. Mary's School, Benton Park Road, Newcastle upon Tyne at 7.00pm.** There are two guest speakers; Smajo Beso who will tell of his parents' experiences during the Bosnian Genocide in 1995 and Gerald Stern will recall his father's experiences during the Holocaust. Visit the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk for more information on this event and the latest news from the Department for Interreligious Relations.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (formerly Women's World Day of Prayer) There will be a planning meeting held on Tuesday 28 January at 2pm at St Mary the Virgin Church Hall. Three representatives are needed from our parish. If you think you could help please see Gail Maddison at the back of church after 9.30am Mass. Thank you.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION TALK The next talk of the Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association is entitled *Gary Leece, "Good without God? Iris Murdoch in the Philosopher's Pupil"* and will be held on Wednesday 29 January at 7.30pm in the Church Hall at St Mary's Cullercoats. Iris Murdoch was one of the most important literary and philosophical figures of the 20th century. This talk will consider her career, focussing on the fresh start she made in the 1980s with a series of long novels beginning with *The Philosopher's Pupil*, which marked her return to a Platonist view of the world. Her atheism is tempered by her fascination with religion and awareness of the God-shaped gap in the modern world. All welcome.

FACE TO FACE an invitation from the Association of Religious At The Mercy Hub, St Mary's Cathedral, [entrance opposite the Central Station on Neville Street] on Saturday 1 February from 2pm to 4pm. Come and share tea and a chat or just drop in for as long or short a time as you would like. The Association of Religious are aware that there are many fewer opportunities for Young adults and Religious men and women to meet and get to know about each other. Among religious there can be a sense of 'invisibility.' This a chance to spend some time together. Welcome at 2pm, Prayer to finish at 3.40pm.

AN INVITATION TO SING If you are aged 7 - 18 (still of school age), enjoy music, want to make new friends and like a challenge, come for a free taster session for this **Youth Choir** on Sunday 2 February at 10.45am at St Joseph's Church, Gateshead. There are NO auditions, just come along and try.

CHURCH ACTION ON POVERTY SUNDAY 23rd FEBRUARY
A regional event will take place in St Peter's Church, Low Fell, on Sunday 23 February at 3.00pm followed by refreshments. Join us for a time of listening, prayer and reflection to raise awareness of the issues facing those who live in poverty in our area. There will be a range of speakers including those from Gateshead Council and local projects. All are welcome to support this important event.

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 30 January at the latest.**

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*Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3*

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness
has seen a great light;
on those who live in a land of deep shadow
a light has shone.
You have made their gladness greater,
you have made their joy increase;
they rejoice in your presence
as men rejoice at harvest time,
as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.

For the yoke that was weighing on him,
the bar across his shoulders,
the rod of his oppressor,
these you break as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 26:1. 4. 13-14. R/v.1***Response: The Lord is my light and my help.**

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink?
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple.
3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord!

Second Reading*1 Corinthians 1:10-13. 17*

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul,' 'I am for Apollos,' 'I am for Cephas,' 'I am for Christ.' Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Gospel Acclamation***Matthew 4:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom,
and cured all kinds of sickness among the people.
Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 4:12-23*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zabulun! Land of Naphtali!
Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan,
Galilee of the nations!
The people that lived in darkness
has seen a great light;
On those who dwell in the land and shadow of death
a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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