



OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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8th February 2015

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

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Vigil Saturday 7th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Michael, Sarah & John Bradshaw
Sunday 8th	9.30am	St Mary's	Pauline Archbold
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Norma McDine (Birthday)
Monday 9th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 10th	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	Special Intention (C B)
Wednesday 11 th	10.00am	St Philip's	Sick Person (A S)
Thursday 12 th	9.30 am	St Mary's	John and Elizabeth Arnold (birthday)
Friday 13 th	10.00am	St Mary's	May Prince

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Saturday 14 th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Dorothy Ledger
Sunday 15 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Ollie Roberts

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK Tuesday – St Scholastica; Wednesday – Our Lady of Lourdes; Saturday – Ss Cyril, Monk and Methodius (Patrons of Europe).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 'Confessions' are available in the parishes on Saturdays St Philip's Church 4.45pm – 5.15pm, Tuesdays Immaculate Heart Church 6.30pm – 7.00pm and St Mary's Church Fridays 9.30am – 10.00am.

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER Please pray for Marjorie Gray, Ken Poppleton, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Michael Bell, Winifred Easton, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Emily Keane, Fr John Campbell (ex-parishioner of St. Philips), Bernadette Kebell, Christine Taylor, Mary King, Vincent Wallace, Peggy Cramer, Doreen and Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland and Pat Edwards.

Please Note. If you would a relative or friend to be prayed for by parishioners please let the Parish Office know or Fr Jeff. It is important that you seek the permission from the person before it can be put in the bulletin.

CONGRATULATIONS To Samuel Patrick O'Reilly who will be baptised this Sunday at Immaculate Heart Church. May God bring to fulfilment the work he has begun in him

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

LENTEN LITURGY PREPARTION A meeting to plan events for Lent will take place on Thursday 12th February, 7.00pm in the Weekday Chapel at Lobley Hill. All are welcome.

TWENTY-THIRD WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK, The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wednesday 11th February 2015, 7.00pm, St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle.

Celebrate Holy Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Celebrant: Bishop Seamus Cunningham.

MINSTERACRES RETREAT CENTRE – LIAM LAWTON Composer Liam Lawton reflects on Lent, Holy Week and the Easter season in a workshop for parish choirs on Saturday 28th February, 10am-4.30pm, at Minsteracres Retreat Centre, near Consett, Co Durham DH8 9RT. Cost £25. As choir director, composer and director of music in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin, Ireland, Liam Lawton draws on his experience to offer a new perspective to resource our parish choirs and music groups. For information and bookings visit www.minsteracres.org, or call 01434 673248.

RETIRING COLLECTION. Next week there will be an appeal made by the Voluntary Mission Movement at all Masses. This movement was formed in 1969; it is an international Christian movement which recruits, trains and sends volunteers to the developing world. It is committed to long term and sustainable programmes to help communities out of poverty.

GENERAL INFORMATION....

RED BOXES St Philip's: Total for the year 2014 was £816. Many thanks to all box holders and collectors. St Mary's: Many thanks to all box holders for the wonderful total of £3839.71 which was donated in 2014. Thank you also to those who generously give up their time to empty the boxes and count money each quarter.

EVENING PRAYER AT USHAW Fr Andrew Downie (Consett) will celebrate Evening Prayer on Sunday 8th February at 4p.m. Music will be led by the Durham Singers. This is part of a new programme of music and events at Ushaw with the Chapels, Café and Gift Shop open from 2p.m – 5p.m. Everyone is welcome to pop along to have a cup of tea and cake, view the glorious spaces and complete the afternoon with sung Evening Prayer.

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FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE - THREE YEAR PARISH REVIEW Bishop Seamus would like us to continue to pray for the future of all our parishes and the work that has begun to look into their viability. He says "I sincerely hope that every parish will take seriously the need to pray for our future work. Prayer must underpin everything we do. If we put prayer at the centre of it all, I have no doubt that the Holy Spirit will guide us"

Please try to say the "Forward together in Hope" special prayer each day that the Holy Spirit will guide us in all that we do.

Glory be to the Father – in whom we live and move and have our being.

Glory be to the Son - whose name we bear and who calls each of us to be his disciples; to build His Kingdom and to go out into the world to bear its fruit.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit – pouring out grace and guidance, forming us and renewing us.

Inspire us all in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle to live the gospel, to be open to change and to move forward together in hope. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS Holy Mass can be celebrated for many reasons – the death of a loved one, for someone who is sick, an anniversary, a birthday or in thanksgiving for a favour received from God. Please write clearly your Intention for a Mass on an envelope with an offering inside together with the name of the church that you would like it celebrated. If you have a date in mind for the Holy Mass, please indicate this and every effort will be made to accommodate this request. Giving early notice as soon as possible would be a great help.

ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN If you would like a notice put in the bulletin, please have them in by Wednesday evening at the latest. Either email to stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or post through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart Presbytery.