



## **OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI**

### **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

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**15th February 2015**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### **MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

##### **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Vigil Saturday 14th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Dorothy Ledger
Sunday 15th	9.30am	St Mary's	Ollie Roberts (Dec)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Barney Curran
Monday 16th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Comm
Tuesday 17th	10.00am	St Philip's	Requiem Mass for Jenny Wilkinson
	10.00am	Immaculate Heart	Requiem Mass for Johnny Campbell
	1.30pm	West Rd Crem	Funeral Service for Marga Johnson

##### **Ash Wednesday (A day of Fasting & Abstinence)**

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Mary's	Joyce Carrick
	11.00am	St Philip's	Harry & Sheila Attrill (Diamond Wedding anniv)
	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	Private Intention (AC)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	St Mary's	Maurice & Teresa Davany
	10.45am	St Philip's	Requiem Mass for Margaret (Peggy) Cramer
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	St Mary's	Edna Murray (Thanksgiving for 90th Birthday)

##### **1st Sunday of Lent**

Vigil Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	5.30pm	St Philip's	Private Intention (CS)
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	St Mary's	Dixon Family (Dec Members)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Johnny Campbell (Dec)

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK** Saturday – St Peter Damian

**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, Sheila Rickerby, Doreen & Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland and Pat Edwards.

## **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please pray for Joseph Kelly, Jenny Wilkinson, Johnny Campbell, Margaret (Peggy) Cramer and Marga Johnson who have died. May they all rest in peace. Amen.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS...**

**RETIRING COLLECTION** This week there will be an appeal made by the Voluntary Mission Movement (VMM) at all Masses. This movement was formed in 1969 and 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.

**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 28<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.minsteracres.org), or call 01434 673248.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION...**

**USED STAMPS** A big thank you to all who put their used stamps in the box at the back of our churches. It is only £1 per kilo, but every little helps the Little Sisters of the Poor. Please look at the poster at the back of church to remind you to keep collecting those stamps.

**ST PHILIP'S OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS UPDATE** Collections continue to increase with the total for Apr - Dec 2014 being 12% higher than the same period in 2013. Thank you for your ongoing generosity. With your support we are on target for a surplus by the end of March.

**LENTEN ALMS 2015** For almost 70 years, St Cuthbert's Care has offered services to help care for some of the most vulnerable and disenfranchised members of our communities. Their work focuses upon the provision of specialist disability services, residential homes for children and young people with challenging behaviours, fostering, nursing and residential care for older people and a number of day resources and community support. With our prayers and support during Lent, they can continue to offer the very best care and support to people who are disadvantaged by circumstance or disability throughout our diocese. The Lenten Alms collection will remain open from February 18th - March 29th. Please be as generous as you can.

**SVP ST PHILIP NERI CONFERENCE** If you know of anyone, a friend, relative or neighbour who maybe housebound or lonely and would like a visit from the SVP please contact any of the members on the list, which is on the notice board in the porch. Thank you.

**ANGEL TREE THANKS** Please see some thank you letters at the back of the church from a range of very grateful people for your outstanding generosity.

**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](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or post through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart Presbytery.