



OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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5th April 2015

Easter Sunday

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

Vigil Saturday 4 th	5.30pm	Immaculate Heart	Rossi & Corrigan Family (Dec)
Sunday 5 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Peter Stephenson & Alec Hogg (Dec)
	11.00am	St. Philip's	Deceased members of Clark Family
Monday 6 th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	---- No Service ---
Tuesday 7 th	10.15am	St. Mary's	Requiem Mass for Bridget 'Breeda' Catherine Hopper RIP
Wednesday 8 th	10.00am	St Philip's	Veronica Grainger (Good Health)
Thursday 9 th	9.30am	St. Mary's	Peter & Teresa Brown
Friday 10 th	10.00am	St. Mary's	Elizabeth Jukes

2nd Sunday of Easter

Vigil Saturday 11 th	5.30pm	St. Philip's	Intentions of Peter McLoughlin
Sunday 12 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Special Intention
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Ken Poppleton (Dec) & Fred Johnson (Anniversary)

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

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER Please pray for Marjorie Gray, 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 (Maisie) King, Vincent Wallace, Sheila Rickerby, Doreen & Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland, Pat Edwards, Fr Lawrence Jones, Susan Wall and Terry Gardner.

It is wonderful to offer prayers for those who need them, it is also important that the list is regularly updated and current. Please look at the list above and if any of the names need to be retained, please let the Presbytery Office know by email, telephone or an envelope put through the door. The list will be updated in two weeks time. Much appreciated. Fr Jeff.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

RETIRING COLLECTION This Weekend: Towards the costs of the beautiful Easter flowers in our churches.

DEANERY CONFIRMATION 2015 On Wednesday 17th June, Bishop Seamus Cunningham will visit our deanery and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our youth in Year Groups 9 & 10. The Mass will be held at St Joseph's Church, Blaydon. Please pray for all those involved in the preparation.

HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES This pilgrimage is able to take sick & disabled people, as they have a team of nurses, doctors & helpers. If you or someone you know would be interested, full information can be found through Fr. Peter Stott on 0191 2575801 or email handnlourdespilgrimage@btconnect.com

SUMMER OPENING AT USHAW COLLEGE DURHAM The ancient chasuble worn by Cardinal Vincent Nichols during the Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of King Richard III is to be put on public display at Ushaw College. The public will have the opportunity to view the "Westminster Vestment", which is part of the former Catholic seminary's heritage collection, over five Saturday's starting on April 4th between 12noon and 5.00pm. The display marks the first of the college's "Open Saturday's" which will run from April until August and which will give the public unprecedented access to beautiful and historic chapels, gardens and some parts of the buildings. There is a tradition that the chasuble was worn by the Benedictine monks of Westminster Abbey during the reign of King Richard and it is widely believed that the last Plantagenet monarch would have seen it when he attended Mass there. Check the website www.ushaw.org for details of services and events.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE Bishop Seamus will celebrate Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 9th May at 11.00 a.m. to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage. He has invited each parish community to be represented by two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary. This promises to be a wonderful celebration and will provide affirmation and support for Marriage across the diocese and to the wider North East community.

PRAYING THE GOSPELS A day of reflection for women with Rev. Caroline Worsfold Saturday 16th May 10.30 a.m.-4.00p.m. at St. Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre West Road, Newcastle NE15 7PY (opposite St. Cuthbert's House). There is no charge for the day but booking is essential. Please bring a packed lunch. Closing date Friday 8th May. To book please contact Diocesan Department for Adult Formation and Evangelisation at: adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk /0191 2433313

DIOCESAN FESTIVAL The third Diocesan Festival will take place over the weekend of Saturday 20th – Sunday 21st June at Emmaus Youth Village, Consett. The speakers include Fr. Jim Clarke from the United States, our own Fr. Jim O'Keefe and performing artists, RISE Theatre and Steve Murray, More than Dance and much more. There are streams for children and young people so there is something for everyone! Booking forms are now available either from the back of church or can be downloaded from the diocesan website: www.rcdhn.org.uk For more information, see the diocesan website, email festival@diocesehn.org.uk or contact the Diocesan offices on 0191 2433313.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

TICKETS FOR THE SEMI FINAL OF BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT A raffle for two tickets to the semi-final of 'Britain's Got Talent' with first class rail tickets and overnight accommodation is being arranged by the Youth Ministry Team, the youth service for the diocese. Raffle tickets are available at the back of church and from YMT on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

A HUGE THANK YOU To all those who helped with St. Mary's church cleaning. God Bless.

ST MARY'S RED MISSION BOXES are now due to be emptied. Please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 12th April.

BULLETIN VACANCY One of our regular bulletin typists has moved away to the Midlands leaving a vacancy on the rota. All that is required is an e-mail address and a computer with Microsoft Word and a spare half hour four times a year. Any volunteers please contact Phil Cunningham on 0191 4886625 or phil.cunningham1@talktalk.net

PASCAL CANDLE If anyone would like to help towards the cost and sponsor your parish Pascal Candle, please contact Fr Jeff. This large candle, which is placed upon the sanctuary, presents the life of Jesus (suffering, death and resurrection) that we share profoundly in at our baptism and in death. It is always lit for those two special occasions.

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.

EASTER BLESSINGS...

Fr Jeff and Fr Michael wish all parishioners and their families a very happy and joyous Easter. May the Risen Jesus bring us hope and new life in Him. A big thank you to all who have prepared and attended the Lenten and Holy Week Services.