



OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 17th May 2015 **The Ascension of the Lord**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

The Ascension of the Lord

Vigil Saturday 16th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Evelyn Owens (Dec)
Sunday 17th	9.30am	St Mary's	Private Intentions (U P-K)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Margaret McKee
Monday 18th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 19th	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	Alex Robertson
Wednesday 20th	10.00am	St Philip's	Deceased Parish Priests & Parishioners
Thursday 12th	9.30am	St Mary's	Michael, Alice, Joyce & Gerard Bell
Friday 22nd	10.00am	St Mary's	Oxley Crilley & O'Brien Families (Dec)

Pentecost Sunday

Vigil Saturday 23rd	5.30pm	St Philip's	Members of Cramer Family (Dec)
Sunday 24th	9.30am	St Mary's	John Ferguson
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	John & Nancy Mulligan (Anniversary)

Feast Days This Week

Monday – St John; Tuesday – St Dunstan; Wednesday – St Bernadine of Sienna;
 Thursday – St Godric of Finchale & Friday – St Rita of Carcia

Diocesan 'Forward Together in Hope' Prayer (3 Year Review Programme)

This prayer will be said by the parish at the end of each Mass

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 and 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, be open to change and move forward together in hope. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 'Confessions' are available in our 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 Fridays 9.30am – 10.00am.

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER Please pray for Marjorie Gray, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Michael Bell, Emily Keane, Fr John Campbell (ex-parishioner of St. Philip's), Bernadette Kebell, Christine Taylor, Mary (Maisie) King, Vincent Wallace, Pat Edwards, Terry Gardener, Alan Crane, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Lyddieth, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Bernadette Corrigan, Paul Leonard and Kathleen Bruce.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for Fr Hugh McCann who has died. May he rest in peace. Amen.

RETIRING COLLECTION

This Week. World Communications Day. Please pick up a prayer card with comments from Pope Francis.

Next Week. Fr Sarves' South India Appeal for Holy Family, Home for the Needy.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

CONGRATULATIONS to Harry Joseph French, Alfie Dyer, Kula Darwin, Kula Darwin Lee Zane Saytee and Nell Violet Junni, who will be baptised at St Mary's Church this weekend. May be God bring to fulfilment the good work he has begun in them all.

FR SARVES' SOUTH INDIA APPEAL Since 2011, our parishes have supported the work of Fr Sarves in one of the poorest parts of the world. Father will make an appeal with Mary Skaag during all the Masses next weekend 23rd & 24th May. Both will give an update of the projects development and how your money has been spent. Check out the work being done @ www.sharingourlove.org.uk

ST PHILIP NERI 500TH CELEBRATIONS It will soon be the 500th Anniversary of St Philip Neri's birth and the extension to the school is now complete. Everyone is invited to take part in celebrations in the church and in school:

- Tuesday 9th June. 10.00am – 2.00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament;
- Wednesday 10th June. 9.30am Holy Mass with Bishop Seamus Cunningham, followed by refreshments and viewings of the school's new build;
- Friday 12th June. 7.30pm – 11.00pm. Parish 500 Celebration at the Holmeside Club, Dunston, including a ceilidh, pie & pea supper.

Tickets are available from all three churches and at St Philip Neri School at a cost of £5.00. Raffle tickets will be on sale soon. ALL ARE WELCOME TO THIS PARISH CELEBRATION. Posters will be in the 3 churches advertising these events.

ST PHILIP NERI ORGAINING REPS & PRIZE SUGGESTIONS...

The representative at Immaculate Heart is Anna Shreeve. At St Mary's they are Christine Norman and Kath Airey. At St Philip Neri they are John Pinchen, Michael Waugh, Denise Hebron and Chris Straughan. Raffle prizes would be gratefully accepted. Perhaps rather than a bottle you might offer a car wash, to cut a lawn, to offer a lift? We are only limited by our imaginations!

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE – PREPARING THE WAY

As part of our preparations for 'Forward Together in Hope', our diocesan journey of renewal, the following activities are planned on 30th/31st May, Fr Jim O'Keefe, the programme Director, will speak at all Masses. We are also running parish meetings on 16th June at 6.00pm in St Mary's School and on 18th June at 2.00pm in Immaculate Heart and that evening at 6.00pm in St Philip Neri School Hall. Please try your best to get involved in what is a very important initiative that will shape the future of our parishes and the Diocese.

CJM – IN GOD ALONE CONCERT CJM Music Life and Liturgy. A concert with Jo Boyce and friends. St Joseph's Church, St Joseph's Way, Fellgate Estate, Jarrow, Tyne & Wear, NE32 4PJ on Saturday 27th June, starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are £6.00 in advance or £7.00 on the door. CJM Tel 01675 466254 or Email adm@cjmmusic.com OR Rev Kevin Atkinson Tel 0191 4832679 or 07711 736599 or Email. beyondthebarricades@blueyonder.co.uk

SILVER JUBILEE OF PRIESTHOOD Fr Michael Humble would like to extend an open invitation to all parishioners to a Mass in St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle to mark the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. This will take place on Saturday 27th June at 7.00pm. He will be celebrating with Fr Paul McCourt and Fr Nicholas Jennings who were ordained with him in 1990.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL As you may be aware, we have been looking at ways of improving the current facilities to fulfil the needs of our three church communities. Exciting plans have been developed with the help of local architects and we had hoped to present these to you for your input/approval so that work could commence once funding was in place. However, the Bishop has asked that in the light of the diocesan review project, 'Forward Together in Hope', that we do not pursue such significant plans at the moment. Instead, as an interim measure, we hope to carry out some refurbishment to the existing facilities in the very near future, which will make the hall a brighter and more welcoming place for us all. (*Hall Committee*)

YMT PRIZE DRAW – BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT Thank you to every one who bought tickets for YMT's Britain's Got Talent raffle. The winners were drawn on Wednesday evening, after The Source at St Mary's Cathedral. The winning tickets were. 1st Prize. Maureen Rudd – ticket number 17484; 2nd Prize. Kathryn Maggs – ticket number 23520; 3rd Prize. Louise Monaghan – ticket number 21091.

MINSTERACRES RETREAT CENTRE is looking for a Retreat Centre Administrator. If you are interested please look on the website for further information at www.minsteracres.org The closing date for applications is Friday 22nd May at 6.00pm.

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.