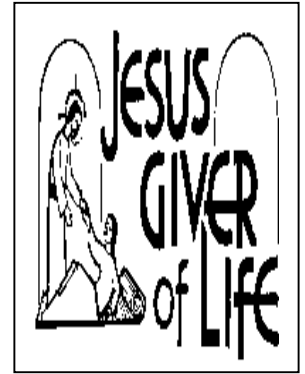


OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 16th August 2015

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

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Vigil Saturday 15 th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Dec. Priests & Parishioners of the Parish
Sunday 16 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Bridie Begley & Seamus McCabe (Dec Anniv)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	June & John Patrick Bell
Monday 17 th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 18 th	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	In Thanksgiving (DB)
Wednesday 19 th	10.00am	St Philip's	Esther & George Dent
Thursday 20 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Michael Bell (Dec)
Friday 21 st	10.00am	St Mary's	Vincent Wallace (Dec)
Vigil Saturday 22 nd	5.30pm	St Philip's	Jimmy Rouse (Dec)
Sunday 23 rd	9.30am	St Mary's	Margaret Woodhall (85 th Birthday)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Billy Chopra (Dec)

Feast Days This Week

Wednesday – St Oswin; Thursday – St Bernard; Friday – Dedication of St Mary's Cathedral

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, Emily Keane, Fr John Campbell (ex-parishioner of St. Philip's), Bernadette Kebell, Christine Taylor, Mary (Maisie) King, Pat Edwards, Terry Gardener, Alan Crane, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Lyddieth, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Bernadette Corrigan, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Barbara Stephenson and Fr Michael Corbett.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

CONGRATULATIONS To Mason Joseph Williams and Lochlan Alexander Fiddes, who will be baptised this Sunday at St Mary's Church. May God bring to fulfilment the work he has begun in them.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. This will put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Please contact your MP, urging them to attend the debate and vote against the Bill. Postcards are available at the back of church to help with this.

ADVANCED FLOWER ARRANGING Evening classes presented by a local tutor. The designs range from traditional to modern. Designed for advanced arrangers, but improvers can also be accommodated. Monday evenings from 6-8pm, St Thomas More RC School, Blaydon. Starts 21st September 2015, (10 week course). Cost for full course £55, or £42 for over 60's. Contact Theresa Costello on 0191 499 5040, or email tcostello@stthomasmore.org.uk

GENERAL INFORMATION...

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE Is our diocesan journey of renewal. It is an invitation to everyone of us to become closer friends and disciples of Jesus. Next month we will begin to look at areas of our parishes to help fill out a detailed questionnaire. Parish meetings will be held and explanations given during weekend Masses. In preparation for doing this, the reflective questions will be available over the next few weeks as a handout to take away home. Pray and think about them and be ready to make your comments in September.

Please also note the launch of a short on-line questionnaire that provides the opportunity for **anyone** to offer comments about the present and the future of the Catholic Church in the Diocese. The Bishop is particularly keen to get responses from those Catholics who do not attend church regularly in order to learn as much as we can from their perspectives. Please publicise the link <https://forwardtogether.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/hope> - as widely as you can. Fr Jeff.

LIVING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL A Celebration of our shared commitment to Living the Joy of the Gospel to be held at Durham Cathedral on Sunday 6th September at 3.30pm. The Pope highlighted three areas where we could work together – Prayer, Peace, the Poor – which he called the 3 P's. For preparatory booklets and registration please contact: Sr Michael marymichael.lee7@googlemail.com

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH Volunteers are still needed to go on a rota for opening and closing the church on a Tuesday evening and on a Sunday morning. There will be training on setting out the altar etc. This is an important Ministry of Service to God and to one another. Please consider whether you could spare some time. The more people who volunteer, the more shared the work will be.

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.