

OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 14th February 2016 First Sunday of Lent

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS			
1 st Sunday of Lent			
Vigil Saturday 13 th	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5.30pm	St Philip's	John McNally (Dec)
Sunday 14 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Jim McMillan (Dec)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Maisie King (Dec)
Monday 15 th	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 16 th	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	John Campbell (Anniversary)
Wednesday 17 th	10.00am	Immaculate Heart	Requiem Mass for Mary Monica Dodd
	2.30pm	St Philip's	Time of Prayerful Reflection –
			Faces of God's Mercy
Thursday 18 th	9.30am	St Mary's	In Thanksgiving (MC)
Friday 19 th (Lent Family Fast Day)			
	10.00am	St Mary's	Kathleen Donnison (Anniversary)
	7.00pm	St Mary's	Lenten Stations of the Cross
2 nd Sunday of Lent			
Vigil Saturday 20 th	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5.30pm	St Philip's	Maisie King (Dec)
Sunday 21 st	9.30am	St Mary's	Maureen Laidler (Dec)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Raymond Deponio (Sick)

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.

<u>SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER</u> 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, Terry Gardner, Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Lyddieth, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Barbara Stephenson, Peter McLoughlin, Josie O'Keefe, Isaac Dawson (aged 5), Edna Murray, Margaret Woodhall, Ray Deponio, Astrid Muse, Ann Camozzi and Mary Melia.

RECENLY DECEASED Please pray for Mary Monica Dodd who has died. May she rest in peace.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

<u>PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME</u> Please check the Lenten Programme for activities planned in our parishes. Details can be found on the parish website www.theparish.org.uk

St MARY'S HALL COMMITTEE The next meeting will be on Sunday 21st February at 5.30pm at St Mary's Hall.

<u>CALLING THE DIOCESE TO PRAYER AND TO BE MISSIONARY DISCIPLES</u> Bishop Seamus will lead a Day of Prayer for clergy and laity at St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday 23rd February starting at 10.30am or again starting at 7.00pm

<u>VOICES OF MERCY 'VISIT THE IMPRISONED'</u> An evening of listening to people who visit the imprisoned and an opportunity to reflect on this will be held on Wednesday 24th February 7pm at St Mary's Parish Centre, 27 Bridge Street, Sunderland, SR1 1TQ. For more information contact the Department of Spirituality Tel. 0191 243 330

GENERAL INFORMATION...

ST CUTHBERTS CARE'S LENTEN ALMS APPEAL This Lent please consider supporting our Hardship Fund. The Fund has been in operation for 13 years now, offering financial support and peace of mind, to hundreds of people requiring Catholic residential or nursing care in their late retirement years. With your support, we can ensure that no one is ever turned away from one of our nursing homes because of their inability to pay. For more information, telephone Sheila Errington, Director of Care, on 0191 2280111

<u>CAFOD LENT FAST DAY</u> Will be on Friday 19th February. This Lent Fast Day, is an opportunity to come together as a Catholic community to ensure girls living in the world's poorest countries are free to change their lives by receiving an education. CAFOD is working with local expert organisations around the world to bring water to family homes, so girls who used to spend hours collecting it every day, now have time for school, study and to play with their friends. Collect your Fast Day envelope from church **this week** and remember to fast on Lent Fast Day. There is good news: the UK government has promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent! For details about our work, visit www.cafod.org.uk

LENTEN REFLECTIONS ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH BIRTLEY I would like to particularly draw your attention to a new edition to our Lenten Programme for 2016. Each Tuesday evening during Lent we are organising a series of Lenten Talks with a guest speaker talking on a different subject each week. The first talk will be on Tuesday 16th February when Father Mark Millward will talk about the Year of Mercy and the opportunities that provides for us. Please see the poster at the back of church for more details

THE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES In this Year of Mercy, it takes place from Friday 29th July – Friday 5th August flying direct from Newcastle International Airport. Posters, Booking Forms and all information is now available on both the Diocesan webpage and the pilgrimage webpage www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk The pilgrimage has places available for sick pilgrims who require Nursing Care, a Jumbulance is available for overland travel for those unable to fly, there is a youth section for all aged 16 – 25 and there are booking forms for all the hotel pilgrims who wish to travel. Booking Forms and further information also available from Tangney Tours on 01732 886666 or Pilgrimage Director Fr Peter Stott 01670 513 410

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