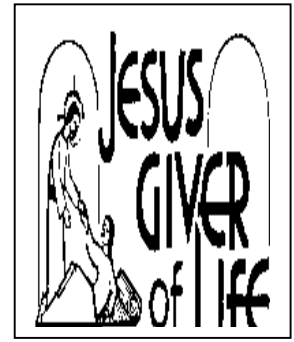




OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI
PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 20th March 2016

Palm Sunday Passion of the Lord

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Palm Sunday – Passion of the Lord

Saturday 19 th	5.30pm	St Philip's	Mary & Michael Bradshaw (Dec)
Sunday 20 th	9.30am	St Mary's	Davina Siddall (Anniversary)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Philip & Lyndsay Varty (Recently Married)
Monday 21 st	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 22 nd	9.30am	St Mary's	Gilbert & Anthony Watson (Dec) (Whole School)
	7.00pm	St Anne's, Winlaton	Deanery Sacrament of Penance
Wednesday 23 rd	10.00am	St Philip Neri	Paul Gordon (Dec) (Whole School)
	2.00pm	St Mary's	Our Journey in Lent Service – the Passion of the Lord (St Mary's School Children)
Holy Thursday			
Thursday 24 th	11.00am	St Mary's Cathedral	Chrism Mass (Priests renew their ordination promises)
	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	Mass of the Lord's Supper Andy Caffrey (Dec)
Good Friday			
Friday 25 th	10.00am	Immaculate Heart	Stations of the Cross
	11.00am	Ecumenical Walk of Witness with the Holy Cross (details below)	
	3.00pm	St Philip's	Good Friday Service
Easter Saturday			
Saturday 26 th	6.00pm	St Mary's	The Easter Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday			
Sunday 27 th	9.30am	St Philip's	Mr & Mrs Cailey (65 th Wedding Anniv)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Andy Caffrey (Dec)

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 this week – Saturday at St Philip's Church 4.45pm – 5.15pm and a Deanery Penitential Service on Tuesday 22nd at St Anne's Church, Winlaton, 7.00pm.

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER Please pray for Marjorie Gray, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Emily Keane, 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, Mary Melia, John McDine, Lesley Gough and Susan Walker.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

CALLING ALL SINGERS Open invitation to anyone who would like to help lead the singing at the Easter Vigil Mass which this year will be held at St Mary's, Whickham. The last practice session will be on Monday 21st March at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church. Please come along and help make this Easter Vigil really memorable. Phil Cunningham.

ST THOMAS MORE SPRING CONCERT Will be held on Wednesday 23rd March, 6.30pm at St Anne's Church, Winlaton. Tickets £5 (£3 concessions) are available on the door. Performances to include: 'I Was Glad' – Parry; 'Cantique de Jean Racine' – Faure; Excerpts from Lord of the Rings/The Hobbit performed by orchestra and Massed choirs. Mozart - Flute Concerto in D major.

CHURCHES TOGETHER Will be having their annual Walk of Witness with the Holy Cross at 11.00am on Good Friday. It will begin at Fellside Methodist Church, Whickham, going around the streets, ending at St Mary's Catholic Church, approximately an hour later. This is a very worthwhile and moving experience to be a part of. Families are most welcome.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS – ST PHILIP'S CHURCH Sunday 3rd April is 'Divine Mercy Sunday'. At 2.30pm on this day at St Philip's we will begin with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, then the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.00pm followed by veneration of Divine Mercy Icon. All parishioners are invited.

Saint Pope John Paul II once said, *"Right from the beginning of my ministry in St. Peter's See in Rome, I consider this message [of Divine Mercy] my special task. Providence has assigned it to me in the present situation of man, the Church and the world. It could be said that precisely this situation assigned that message to me as my task before God."*

November 22, 1981 at the Shrine of Merciful Love in Collevaenza, Italy.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

RETIRING COLLECTION This week there will be a collection for the Catholic Community in the Holy Land (Holy Places).

ST MARY'S RED MISSION BOXES Many thanks to all concerned for the very generous amount of £3,716 which was collected for Mill Hill missionary society in 2015.

ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS These are being offered by Sainsbury's to benefit schools' sports equipment. They will be available until July, so please collect them with your shopping and leave them in the box at the back of church. Thank you.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED All three of our churches need more counters for the weekend collections. We also need anyone who could offer practical help to the Finance Committee, in terms of analysing and completing Financial Returns. If you are interested, please contact Fr Jeff.

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.