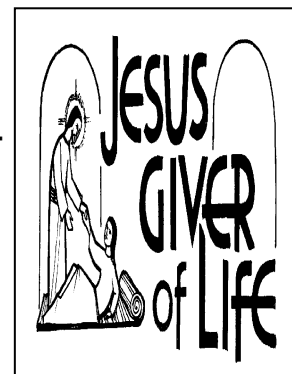




## OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

### PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

#### **26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

Vigil Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	St Philip's	Private Intention
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Mary's	Tom Airey
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
	1.00pm	St Mary's	Requiem Mass for Bernadette Kebell R.I.P.
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Immaculate Heart	Deceased Members of the Corrigan Family
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	St Philip's	Paul Gordon (Dec)
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	St Mary's	George Porteous (Anniversary)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	St Mary's	Edna Murray (Dec)

#### **27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

Vigil Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	5.30pm	St Philip's	Maureen & David Crank (50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	St Mary's	Albert Drummond (Dec)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Andy & Rosa Caffrey (Dec)

### Feast Days This Week

**Mon. Ss. Cosmas & Damian; Tues. St Vincent de Paul; Wed. St. Wenceslaus;**

**Thurs. Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels; Fri. St. Jerome; Sat. St Therese of the Child Jesus**

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

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** Saturday at St Philip's Church 5.00pm – 5.15pm, Tuesday's Immaculate Heart Church 6.45pm – 7.00pm and St Mary's Church Friday 9.45am – 10.00am.

**SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER** Please pray for William Weaver, Marjorie Gray, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Emily Keane, Christine Taylor, Terry Gardner, Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Lyddieth, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Peter McLoughlin, Josie O'Keefe, Isaac Dawson (aged 5), Margaret Woodhall, Ray Deponio, Astrid Muse (Gower), Ann Camozzi, Mary Melia, Lesley Gough, Susan Walker, Kai Thompson (9 months), Diana Bambrough, Monica Meaney, May Farthing, John McDonald, Gillian Black. *Our Lady of the sick. Pray for them.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Bernadette Kebell who died recently and whose funeral is on Monday. May she rest in peace. Amen

**THOSE UNWELL AND SICK IN THE PARISH** When family and friends become unwell and are unable to attend Sunday Mass, please let the Parish Priest know as soon as possible. Arrangements can be made for a visit by the priest and fellow parishioners. Pastoral care through the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion can lift a sick person's spirit and help them to realise that Jesus' help and guidance is always very close at hand.

**ADMISSIONS FOR ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2017-18** Admissions for Reception Class intake at St Mary's RC Primary School for children who were born between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 and August 31<sup>st</sup> 2013 are now open. Applications should be made online at [www.gateshead.gov.uk.schooladmissions](http://www.gateshead.gov.uk.schooladmissions). Interested parents and families are invited to attend an open morning on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016. If you would like to attend, please contact Theresa Noble (School Business Manager) on 0191 4205828 to register your interest; there will be three short tours around school at 9:15am, 10am and 10:45am, which will provide you with an opportunity to see our wonderful school in full swing and to ask any questions you may have. If you are unable to make this date, or have any other questions or queries regarding the admissions process, please just get in touch – we'll be more than happy to help. Warm regards, Joe Wheatley (Head teacher).

**ADMISSIONS FOR ST PHILIP NERI RC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2017-18** Admissions for Reception Class intake at St Philip Neri RC Primary School for children who were born between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 and August 31<sup>st</sup> 2013 are now open. Applications should be made online at [www.gateshead.gov.uk.schooladmissions](http://www.gateshead.gov.uk.schooladmissions). Interested parents and families are invited to contact the school office, Mrs Mckie (School Business Manager) on 0191 4604378 to register your interest and arrange a time to visit. St Philip Neri is a highly successful school that pupils, staff and the parish community are rightly proud of and we would welcome the opportunity for you and your child to see our fabulous school in action and to ask any questions you may have. If you have any questions or queries regarding the admissions process, please just get in touch- we'll be more than happy to help. Kind regards, Mrs V Douglass (Head teacher).

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS...**

**CARE FOR CREATION** Further to the recent message from the Holy Father on the Care for Creation, there are liturgical resources available on the Liturgy Office website. The opportunity to celebrate this theme, especially through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, is open from 1st September until 4th October – the feast of St Francis.

**LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY** For those people wishing to explore and experience contemplative and creative ways to pray, please come along to the next series of meetings running every Tuesday from 20<sup>th</sup> September-18<sup>th</sup> October. These sessions will take place between 10.00-11.00am at St Andrew's Parish Room, Newcastle. For further information or to book, please contact Department of Spirituality. Tel: 0191 243 3302, email: [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk). A member of the parish attended the last series of "Lord Teach Me To Pray" sessions and found them to be gentle, inspirational and valuable. Well worth attending!

**ANNUAL MASS FOR OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM** Mass will be celebrated on 28 September at 7pm at St Thomas Aquinas, Darlington – All welcome

**RCIA PROGRAMME** The next course begins on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at Our Lady of Lourdes, Chopwell. Please contact Fr Peter if you want to attend.

**FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE MEETING** There will be an update on FTIH at each Mass this weekend. The Diocese has organised 5 meetings to give a brief update on where we are and to present a vision of the future – working within partnerships with other parishes. There will also be an opportunity to discuss and clarify any specific issues. Our Deanery is invited to **St Joseph's Parish Hall, Gateshead** on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm. Numbers are required, therefore, please sign the form at the back of church indicating your attendance. A document titled – "Exploring the way with our neighbours" is available on the website; [www.hope.rcdhn.org.uk/resources/exploringway\\_main.php](http://www.hope.rcdhn.org.uk/resources/exploringway_main.php). Each parishioner will find that reading this document will be very helpful and informative.

**JOHN PAUL 2 AWARD** Young people aged 16-18 are invited to take part in this award. It is non-competitive, inclusive and voluntary. It requires an ongoing commitment to a parish and a social project of your choice. Minimum of 16 hours spread over the next year. Please come to St Mary's RC Church Hall, Whickham 12:30 Sunday 8th October for a 20 min information session. Tel Christine Norman to confirm attendance 0191 4961876.

**ST MARY'S COMMUNITY CHOIR** will be meeting in the School Hall at 6p.m. on Wednesday October 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday October 19<sup>th</sup>. We would be delighted to welcome new members from our school and parish family, regardless of ability or experience. Come along for an uplifting hour of singing.

**THE CHRONICLE WISH TOKEN SCHEME** The Chronicle is starting the Wish Token Scheme again from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 through to Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017. We are again appealing for your help to collect as many tokens as possible this year in aid of the HCPT Group 41. Last year, with your tremendous help, we managed to collect over 47,000 tokens, and came 5<sup>th</sup> in the 'Savings League', receiving over £640 from the 'Chronicle Prize Pot'. This was increased to £1035 with the help of private donations. The money raised helped to take six disadvantaged children to Lourdes last Easter. Will you help us again this year? Collection boxes for your tokens will be at the back of church soon.

**DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVERS MASS** Bishop Seamus has kindly agreed to celebrate the annual Guild of St Stephen altar servers Mass in our Diocese at 11 am on the 15<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary's Cathedral. Parishioners and parents are also most welcome to join this celebration of dedicated service to the altar. Please contact Fr Peter if you want to attend.

**ST MARY'S RED MISSION BOXES** are now due to be emptied. Please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION...**

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone who sponsored me for the Great North Run. Money raised totalled £700. I completed the run in 3hours 5 minutes and thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you. Joanne Hayes.

**CARETAKER / CLEANER VACANCY** St Mary's requires a part-time caretaker/cleaner to provide total caretaking and cleaning duties for the church hall. The post holder will have the ability to provide a high standard of cleaning with a good understanding of basic Health and Safety Regulations, including COSHH. They will have the ability to work on their own initiative and be willing to work flexible and unsocial hours. For an application form visit [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk) ☎ 0191 243 3301 or email: [human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk) The closing date for applications is 10 October 2016.

**ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN** If you would like a notice put in the bulletin, please have them in by **TUESDAY** evening at the latest. Either email to [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or post through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart.