



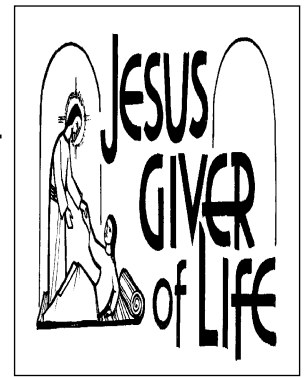
OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 20th November 2016

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King (Youth Sunday)

Vigil Saturday 19 th November	5.30 pm	St Philip's	People of the Parish
Sunday 20 th November	9.30 am	St Mary's	Brenda Rebecca Robson
	11.00 am	Immaculate Heart	Intention of Mary Cookson
Monday 21 st November	9.15 am	Immaculate Heart	Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 22 nd November	7.00 pm	Immaculate Heart	Nancy and John Mulligan (Dec)
Wednesday 23 rd November	10.00 am	St Philip's	Priest's Intention
Thursday 24 th November	9.30 am	St Mary's	Dec members of the Carrick Family
Friday 25 th November	10.00 am	St Mary's	Priest's Intention

1st Sunday of Advent

Vigil Saturday 26 th November	5.30 pm	St Philip's	Active and Retired Members of the SVP
Sunday 27 th November	9.30 am	St Mary's	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	Immaculate Heart	Freddy Bambrough (Dec)

Feast Days This Week

**Monday – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Tuesday – St Cecilia,
Thursday – St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions**

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 5.05pm – 5.20pm, Tuesday's Immaculate Heart Church 6.40pm – 6.55pm and St Mary's Church Friday 9.40am – 9.55am.

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 (child), Margaret Woodhall, Ray Deponio, Astrid Muse (Gower), Ann Camozzi, Mary Melia, Lesley Gough, Susan Walker, Kai Thompson (baby), Diana Bambrough, Monica Meaney, John McDonald, Gillian Black, Mary Trevena. *Our Lady of the sick. Pray for them.*

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.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL CANDLES If you would like a candle to be lit during the Christmas season in memory of a loved one, please write the name and put your donation (£5.00 - £10.00) in an envelope. Offerings must be in by Sunday 20th December. Please specify which church you would like the candle to be burned in.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

ANNUAL SERVICE OF LIGHT St Bede's Hospice will remember the dead in the Gateshead area at our usual Service of Light. It will be held next Sunday 20th November at 3.00 pm at St Mary's RC Church, Dockendale Lane, Whickham. There will be light refreshments in the Hall afterwards. All are welcome. Please note the date in your diary.

YOUTH SUNDAY Today on Youth Sunday, we celebrate the gift of young people in our Church and renew our commitment to encourage and support them. Please pray for the young people in your parish and throughout the diocese and for those who work with them and please give generously to today's collection for the Youth Ministry Team, our diocesan youth service (www.ymt.org)

YOUTH SUNDAY CAKE STALL There will be a Cake Stall available after the 11a.m. Mass on Youth Sunday, 20th November. We would be very grateful for any cake donations from the "Mary Berrys" of the parish. All money raised will be donated to a charity chosen by the Youth.

CRIB DISPLAYS Dunston Methodist Church is holding a crib display from all the local churches. St Philip's crib will be part of it. It will take place 23rd – 26th November 11am – 4pm.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE will be held on Saturday 26th November at 1 p.m. in Immaculate Heart church. Volunteers to help on stalls will be most welcome. Donation of prizes for raffle, cake and other stalls will be gratefully accepted. Come along and enjoy the afternoon and spend for a good cause, our parish funds. As in previous years, EMPTY bottle bags will be handed out at Immaculate Heart after Sunday mass to be returned full any time before the Fayre. Many thanks.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY at Immaculate Heart Church is on Sunday 4th December 3-5pm for children attending Immaculate Heart and St Philip Neri Churches. All ages welcome. Please add your child/children's name/names to the list at the back of church if you wish your child to attend.

FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE. The votes cast by parishioners at the meeting on Wednesday 9th November and the three Sunday masses were:

Proposal 1 27 Proposal 2 93 Proposal 3 113 None of these 65.

Update from the FTiH meeting held on Wednesday 16 November at St. Joseph's, Gateshead

Our church cluster reps, and some of our parishioners, attended this meeting, along with all the Gateshead churches proposed on last week's voting form. The general consensus in the hall was that the proposal of choice should be Proposal 1 - this was the least favoured proposal voted for last week by our cluster churches (only 27 parishioners out of a total 298 voters made this choice). Following some general disagreement, discussions and suggestions from around the hall our reps, and parishioners present, made the decision that we couldn't complete a partnership form with this grouping, as we didn't have a mandate from the parishioners. Therefore, those present unanimously decided that our three churches, plus Sacred Heart, Byermoor, will complete our own partnership form giving detailed information regarding all processes undertaken, plus timeline of talks and meetings with all the other churches in the area. Hopefully this information will aid Bishop Seamus and his council in their ultimate decisions.

PARISH SECRETARY APPOINTED We welcome our new Parish Secretary Barbara Cooper who started work on Tuesday and who will be looking after the administrative side of all 3 parishes. Barbara is currently Parish Secretary at the Church of the Holy Name in Jesmond and will work on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons as well as all day on Thursday. Please send Barbara entries for the newsletter by no later than 10am on Thursday via the normal email address of stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by posting through the presbytery door at Immaculate Heart.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY 10th Dec.2016: ALL THREE PARISHES are invited to our Christmas Party as usual if you would like a good feed and a jolly time please come along. Mass will be at 12.30pm at St Mary's Church followed by lunch. You can get in touch with either Elizabeth Martin on 4884752 or Kathy McRae on 4881158. Posters at back of church to put you names on.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

GATESHEAD FOODBANK would like to thank all those parishioners who donated food and other items in response to our recent appeal. In total 311 kilograms (49 stones) was collected from the 3 churches in our parish. We would also like to thank Father Leighton for allowing us to hold the collection and the parishioners of the 3 churches who helped load the items prior to being transported to our warehouse.

LITURGY READER LIST The Liturgy Reader List for Immaculate Heart Church is now available at the back of church. We invite new readers – do get in touch with Maveen Pereira (0191 461 0983) if you are interested.

ST MARYS PIETY STALL JUBILEE of Mercy - We have a few remaining prayer cards, rosary beads and candles left approaching the end of this Holy Year. Please take a look. Christmas stock is also now on sale.

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 or post through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart.