



NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF  
IMMACULATE HEART of MARY, LOBLEY HILL,  
ST MARY, WHICKHAM and ST PHILIP NERI, DUNSTON



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*"Do not worry about tomorrow:  
tomorrow will take care of itself."  
Mt 6:34*

*The Parish Secretary, Barbara Cooper, is generally available in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 2pm and all day Thursday.*

Sunday 26 February 2017

Eighth Sunday of the Year

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**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**

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| <b>Saturday 25 February</b> <i>Vigil Mass</i> | <b>5.30pm</b>  | St Philip Neri           | George Manning (dec.)  |
| <b>Sunday 26 February</b>                     | <b>9.30am</b>  | St Mary                  | People of the Parish   |
| <b><i>Eighth Sunday of the Year</i></b>       | <b>11.00am</b> | Immaculate Heart         | Linda Campbell (dec.)  |
| Monday 27 February                            | 9.15am         | Immaculate Heart         | Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion                     |
| Tuesday 28 February                           | 6.30pm         | Immaculate Heart         | Andy and Rosa Caffrey (dec.)                                   |
| <b>Wednesday 1 March</b>                      | <b>9.30am</b>  | St Mary                  | Eddy and Mary Arnold (ann.) <i>St Mary's School attending</i>  |
| <b><i>Ash Wednesday**</i></b>                 | <b>11.00am</b> | St Philip Neri           | Distribution of Ashes <i>St Philip Neri's School attending</i> |
| <b><i>(Day of Fasting and Abstinence)</i></b> | <b>6.30pm</b>  | Immaculate Heart         | Billy Smith (dec.)   |
| Thursday 2 March                              | 10.00am        | Immaculate Heart         | Requiem Mass for Patricia James                                |
| Friday 3 March                                | 10.00am        | St Mary                  | Betty Wichman (dec.)   |
|   | 2.00pm         | Dunston Methodist Chapel | Women's World Day of Prayer Service                            |
|   | 6.30pm         | St Philip Neri           | Stations of the Cross  |
| <b>Saturday 4 March</b> <i>Vigil Mass</i>     | <b>5.30pm</b>  | St Philip Neri           | People of the Parish   |
| <b>Sunday 5 March</b>                         | <b>9.30am</b>  | St Mary                  | James McMillan (dec.)  |
| <b><i>First Sunday of Lent</i></b>            | <b>11.00am</b> | Immaculate Heart         | Nan Kerr (birthday)  |

**\*\*Please note there are two Masses on Ash Wednesday at 9.30am (St Mary) and 6.30pm (Immaculate Heart).**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.05pm – 5.20pm,

Tuesday at Immaculate Heart 6.10pm – 6.25pm, Friday at St Mary 9.40am – 9.55am.

**Forward Together in Hope ▪ One Diocese ▪ 18 Partnerships ▪ Unlimited Potential**

God of all Creation, you have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our Diocese and kindled here a light which has spread throughout the world. Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself to learn from you and to model their lives on you. Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world. Come upon us, Holy Spirit, deepen the faith you invite us to share and inspire us to become faithful witnesses. As we begin to develop our partnerships, help each one of us to use the gifts you give us to nurture one another, to serve the world, and to live in harmony with the whole of creation. All of this we ask in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**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, 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, Diana Bambrough, Monica Meaney, Mary Trevena, Tammie Blair, Winn Brooks, Mary Orr, Helen Bain, Don Kimber. *Please note that if you or any member of your family are going into hospital and would like to see the Catholic chaplain then please ask a member of the ward staff to let the chaplain know.*

**BAPTISMS** We welcome into the Church this Sunday, Jack Robert Ritchie, Olivia Kate Wilson and Alexa Ann Summerside who are being baptised at St Philip Neri, Dunston.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Please pray for Patricia James who died on 21 February. Patricia's Requiem Mass is on Thursday 2 March at 10.00am followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. Please pray also for Fr Seamus Doyle and Lillian Keating (mother of Dorothy Simmons) who died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**LENTEN ALMS APPEAL 2017** This Lent, please consider supporting St Cuthbert's Care Hardship Fund which offers financial support to hundreds of people each year across their two residential and nursing homes who are unable to meet the full cost of their care. The fund ensures no-one is turned away from one of the homes due to inability to pay. More information can be found by contacting Joanne Bulford on 0191 228 0111 or [joanne.bulford@stcuthbertscare.org.uk](mailto:joanne.bulford@stcuthbertscare.org.uk)

**WALK WITH ME** Lenten booklets are now available at the back of all churches priced at £1 with calendars at 25p. These booklets provide a prayer and scripture journey for the Lenten period and have been so popular we have ordered more.

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** This year's Service for the Dunston area will be held at 2pm on Friday 3rd March in the Methodist Chapel on Ravensworth Road. (The Chapel is the first bungalow on the left after Wallace House). All are welcome.

**THANK YOU** from Doreen Campbell to all who sent flowers, Mass cards and sympathy cards at the loss of her daughter-in law Linda Campbell.

**ST MARY'S COMMUNITY CHOIR** will be meeting for rehearsals in the school hall at 6pm on the following dates:  
1 March, 15 March and 29 March. All are welcome!

**A DIOCESAN SACRAMENTAL DAY FOR RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST** will be taking place on Saturday 4 March from 10am to 3pm at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Gateshead NE8 1LX. This is an opportunity to develop your understanding of what it means to be a Catechist and to look at the programmes and guidelines available. The day is for those already involved in catechesis and those interested in becoming involved. There is no charge for this day. Please bring a packed lunch. If you would like to attend, please email: [adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk) or tel: 0191 243 3313.

**INVITATION TO YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING** All parishioners who are concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a co-workers' gathering at the Emmaus Youth Village on Sunday 26 February at 3.30pm (tea, coffee, cake and a chance to chat from 2.00pm). An important aspect of the new Partnerships is to explore how we can deepen our relationship with young people. There are a number of opportunities that YMT will share with you and it will also be a time to share good practice and network with other parts of the diocese. Please confirm your attendance to Mary Hughes at the YMT on 01207 592 244 or [mary.hughes@ymt.org](mailto:mary.hughes@ymt.org)

**MIGRATION CRISIS - ACTION HOSTING** Would you consider opening up your home to a destitute client? Action Hosting would like to invite you to an Open Evening on Wednesday 29 March from 6pm to 7pm at The Castlegate on Melbourne Street, Newcastle NE1 2JQ. The Migration crisis has been harder for some than others and this scheme builds on other services Action Foundation offers but also on the generosity of local parishioners. Please come along for more information. Contact Vicki or Vin on (0191) 231 3113 or by email to [hosting@actionfoundation.org.uk](mailto:hosting@actionfoundation.org.uk) Further information at [www.actionfoundation.org.uk](http://www.actionfoundation.org.uk)

**KEYS FOR OUR CHURCHES, PRESBYTERIES & HALL** Thank you to everyone who has come forward to either hand in keys no longer needed or to notify the office that they hold keys. Can those who have yet to do so, **please make a list** and give or email it to Barbara Cooper in the Parish Office with your name, contact details, a list of the keys you hold and the reason you hold them. We are required by the Diocese to hold this register for security reasons.

**MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES** Some Mass Intentions are still coming into the office in various envelopes or on scraps of paper. Please try to use the new Mass Intention envelopes which have been at the back of all three churches for some weeks now. It is helpful if you fully complete the front of the envelope so that we can do our best to fulfil your wishes and so that we can contact you if we need to. Please also note that you need to give as much notice as possible if you are looking for a specific date - we have received a lot of Mass Intentions recently and have not always been able to offer dates that have been asked for and, in this case, we do try to find the nearest available date. Thank you.

**SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS** Active Kids vouchers are being collected to help provide equipment for our schools. Please feel free to leave any at the back of the churches. These will then be passed onto the schools. More information can be found at <https://activekids.sainsburys.co.uk/>

**A LEAFLET GIVING ALL LENT AND EASTER SERVICE TIMES** will be available on Ash Wednesday and next weekend.

**ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN** If you would like a notice put in the next bulletin, please type or write the item with as much detail as possible e.g. dates, times, contact person, description of the event or notice, and have it in **by 10am on Thursday 2 March** at the latest. Either email to [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.