



"You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."

John 20:29

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

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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 23 April 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 22 April Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Private Intention (CS)
Sunday 23 April	9.30am	St Mary	Michael Begley (ann.)
Second Sunday of Easter	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
<i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>			
Monday 24 April <i>St George</i>	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 25 April <i>St Mark</i>	6.30pm	Immaculate Heart	Private Intention (AC)
Wednesday 26 April	<u>11.30am</u>	St Mary	Requiem Mass for Dennis Gibson
Thursday 27 April	9.30am	St Mary	Brown and Boyd Families
Friday 28 April	10.00am	St Mary	Patricia James (dec.)
Saturday 29 April <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>			
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 30 April	9.30am	St Mary	The Smith Family
Third Sunday of Easter	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Nan Kerr (ann.)

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



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Friday at St Mary

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER Please pray for 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, Kate Baitman, 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, please ask a member of the ward staff to let the Catholic chaplain know.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for Dennis Gibson who died on 12 April and whose Requiem Mass will be at St Mary on Wednesday 26 April at 11.30pm followed by cremation at Mountsett Crematorium. May he and all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

A RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE will be taken at all Masses this weekend. Please be generous in supporting this collection for the Northern Brethren Fund (N.B.F.) which funds the support and care of our sick and retired priests who have given many years of dedicated service to the people of our diocese. As well as the retiring collection today, there are gift aid envelopes available and also standing order forms should you wish to set up a regular contribution to the N.B.F. Contributions are invited until 14 May.

VICARIATE PARTNERSHIPS Following the announcement in February of the 18 new partnerships across the Diocese there are now more details available about how these partnerships will work. The document '*Pointing the Way - Partnership Guidelines First Steps*' sets out some key information that will help partnerships to get up and running. This and other information can be accessed on the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk and there are also a few copies in each church of '*Pointing the Way*' for those who do not have internet access. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we now have a real opportunity to think differently about how we do things and how we access and share the wealth of untapped potential available within our Diocese.

A COFFEE MORNING will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Saturday 13 May 2017 from 10am to 12 noon in aid of the HCPT Group 41 and Balamma Satram Indian Project. Tickets are £1 and include Tea/Coffee and biscuits. There will be a Raffle, Cake Stall & Mystery Tombola. Donations of prizes for the raffle/tombola or cakes/scones etc for the cake stall will be most welcome. For more information please contact Bill Cookson on 0191 420 2524 or billcookson43@gmail.com

SENIOR MOMENTS will be launched on Wednesday 3 May and thereafter on the first Wednesday of every month. Posters are now up in all 3 churches asking for names of those who wish to attend. Please add your name to secure a place.

RED MISSION BOXES are now due to be emptied for both Immaculate Heart and St Mary. Please could all money be paid in by Sunday 23 April or handed to your rep. as normal. It is also time to collect the Red Mission boxes at St Philip Neri. Please give your box or donation to Denise Hebron (07554 445 679), who is covering the collection role at the moment.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR This annual retiring collection will take place in our churches on the weekend of 6 and 7 May, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The Little Sisters celebrated 150 years of caring for the elderly in 2016 and, in our own Diocese, the Little Sisters run St Joseph's home in Westmorland Road, Newcastle where they care for 57 residents who require nursing or residential care. This year the home needs to install a new boiler and purchase new bedroom furniture and furnishings for all 57 rooms. Please help yourself to literature and prayer cards at the back of church.

CAN YOU HELP? We have had a request from a rehabilitation case manager for someone who could accompany a gentleman during hydrotherapy treatment at Chase Park Health Centre Whickham. The gentleman had a work place accident some time ago leaving him quite immobile and disabled. Without someone to sit poolside and observe, in the event that the physiotherapist treating the patient in the pool needs to raise the alarm because of a sudden emergency, the sessions would not be able to take place. The gentleman has been through a really hard time since the accident and this support would enable him to become mobile and independent again. For further information please contact John Kay on 07866 772 202 or by email John.Kay@hcml.co.uk

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES The annual pilgrimage will depart from Newcastle Airport on Friday 28 July returning on Friday 4 August. Booking forms are available from Tangney Tours 01732 88 66 66. If you would like to travel as an adult helper then a registration form is available from Fr Stott on 01670 513 410, www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk or visit the website at www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk

THE WAY WE SEE IT: A RESPONSE As we move into new partnerships, an important emerging priority is our relationship with young people. The report of the young people's survey 'The Way We See It' and Pope Francis' call for a Synod on Youth invite us to reflect on this relationship. All adult parishioners and young people of sixth form age are invited to a diocesan conference at the Newcastle Assembly Rooms on Saturday 13 May. Further details are in the booking form available from the parish priest or from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592 244 or admin@ymt.org Details also on YMT website www.ymt.org

BRIGHTLIGHTS FESTIVAL is an annual event for Catholic young adults (ages 16-30) taking place from 23 to 26 June in the beautiful grounds of Alton Castle in Staffordshire. Come and join us for a weekend of live music from artists including One Hope Project and Guvna B. We will journey together in Faith through liturgy and worship and hear stimulating input on the possibilities of living life "unlimited". For more information or to book tickets, please visit our website: brightlights.org.uk call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival

PEERTALK – PEER SUPPORT GROUP is facilitated by trained volunteers and will be launched in Newcastle on 11 May for people with mental health concerns such as depression. People do not need to be referred and can simply go along to share in a safe and confidential space and to be heard, respected, supported and possibly signposted to further help. Please see the poster at the back of church or visit www.peertalk.org.uk

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER If you would like a notice put in the next newsletter, please type or write the item with as much detail as possible e.g. dates, times, contact person, description of the event or notice, links to further information and have it in **by 10am on Thursday 27 April** at the latest. Either email to 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.