

The angel spoke "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would." Mt 28:5,6

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, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery all day next week on Tuesday and Wednesday only

EASTER WEEK MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday 16 April 2017

Saturday 15 April Holy Saturd	day		
Vigil and First Mass of Easter	8.00pm	St Philip Neri	Gerard Mulholland (dec.)
Sunday 16 April	9.30am	St Mary	Peter Stephenson and Alex Hogg (dec.)
Easter Sunday	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
Monday 17 April	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 18 April	<u>10.00am</u>	Immaculate Heart	William and Grace McPhee (ann.)
Wednesday 19 April	10.00am	St Philip Neri	Private Intention (DD)
Thursday 20 April	9.30am	St Mary	Isabella Boyd
Friday 21 April	10.00am	St Mary	Eddy and Mary Arnold
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
Divine Mercy Sunday			

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.05pm - 5.20pm



Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Wednesday at St Philip Neri Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Friday at St Mary



On Holy Saturday Night, at the Vigil and First Mass of Easter, Alan Dale, Joanne Kavanagh and Lyndsay Myers are to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. During this Easter Mass, Alan will be baptised and then he, together with Joanne and Lyndsay, will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and join us for the first time in sharing the sacred Eucharist. Please keep them and their families in your prayers at this very special time for them.

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 chaplain know.

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

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 '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 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. Let's grasp the opportunity and who knows where the Holy Spirit might lead us.

A RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE (N.B.F.) will be taken at all Masses next weekend. Please be generous in supporting this collection. Contributions are invited until 14 May (envelopes are available).

EASTERTIDE 'WALK WITH ME' BOOKLETS are now on sale at the back of all our three churches priced at £1.

FLOWERS A huge thank you to everyone who has donated towards the flowers and especially to the flower arrangers for making our churches look so joyful this Easter.

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 We are hoping to have *Senior Moments* up and running on Wednesday 3 May and thereafter on the first Wednesday of every month. In the coming weeks, watch out for advertising and posters. Thank you for your support. Next planning meeting is Monday 24 April, 2pm at Immaculate Heart.

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.

SUPPORT YOUR SVP who are raising money for a senior citizens Christmas party. Biscuits for sale on Easter Sunday at St Mary.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR wish to thank everyone for their donations of stamps, notes and coins through Cath Salmon – please keep up the good work. The sisters remember benefactors in their Masses and prayers. They also collect old military medals and broken pieces of gold/silver jewellery - even the backs of earrings or odd links of chain. So far they have raised almost £6500 for the home.

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

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

A DAY FOR CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS and those interested in becoming Confirmation catechists will take place on Saturday 29 April 2017 from10am to 3pm at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Gateshead, NE8 1LX. To book a place visit www.eventbrite.co.uk, email adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk or tel 0191 243 3313.

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

COUNTING TEAMS Many thanks to those parishioners who have come forward to offer their help with the counting teams. There is still room for others so, if you would like to be considered to join one of the counting teams who diligently count our offertory collections and other monies coming into our three churches each weekend, please pass your name, contact details and the church you attend to the Parish Secretary 0191 460 4274 or by email to stmarysphilip@aol.co.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 Wednesday 19 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.