



*"I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold... Anyone who enters through me will be safe."  
John 10:8-9*

**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 7 May 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Year A**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**

**Saturday 6 May**

<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 7 May</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Maurice and Eileen Flynn (dec.)
<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Linda Campbell (dec.)

*World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

Monday 8 May	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 9 May	<u>10.45am</u>	St Mary	Requiem Mass for Margaret Woodhall
Wednesday 10 May	10.00am	St Philip Neri	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Thursday 11 May	9.30am	St Mary	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Friday 12 May	10.00am	St Mary	Eddie and Mary Arnold (ann.)

**Saturday 13 May**

<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 14 May</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Oxley, Crilley and O'Brien Families
<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	George Kerr (birthday)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.05pm – 5.20pm



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Friday at St Mary

***We welcome into the Church this Sunday***

***Ella Rosa Byrne, Isla Faith Leask and Ella Louise Stonehouse, who are being baptised at St Mary, Whickham.***

**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, 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, Pat Shannon.

**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 Margaret Woodhall who died on 25 April. Her Requiem Mass is at St Mary on Tuesday 9 May at 10.45am followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. Please also pray for Robert Brown who died on 2 May and whose Funeral Service will be at Saltwell Crematorium at 2.30pm on Thursday 11 May 2017. May they and all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR annual retiring collection will take place in our churches this weekend.** 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. Please be generous today and please note there are Gift Aid envelopes if you are a tax payer and wish to enhance your contribution.

**A COFFEE MORNING** will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church **next 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 and 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](mailto:billcookson43@gmail.com)

**INDIA APPEAL** Fr Sarves will celebrate the weekend Masses on 20 and 21 May. He will make his appeal for the Balamma Satram Project which we have been supporting since 2011. There will also be a meeting on Friday 19 May for all the sponsors and anyone interested in hearing an update on the work that is being carried out and how your money has been spent. The evening will begin with Holy Mass at 6.30pm, the meeting starting at 7pm followed by light refreshments.

**OLLIE WILLIAMS' COFFEE MORNING/SPRING FAIR** will take place on Saturday 20 May in St Mary's Church Hall from 10am to 1.30pm. Ollie is a trumpeter at St Mary and an altar server at St Philip Neri. He has volunteered to join the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this July and needs our support with his fundraising efforts. Donations for the cake, tombola/raffle, plant/toy/bric-a-brac stalls would be very much appreciated as well as your attendance on the day. Please call Jo Williams (0191 488 3549) to let her know if you can BAKE for the cake stall or have any other donations or queries.

**SENIOR MOMENTS** Thank you to everyone who came along and made the first day a great success. We have received a message from someone who attended saying that they rarely go to social events by themselves, but had a great time and is telling everyone how good it was. The next one is on 7 June. Also a massive thank you to all volunteers who made it possible.

**MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION DAY** In response to feedback from Forward Together in Hope, there will be a day on "Ministry of Consolation", focussing on support for people and their families during terminal illness or the journey through dementia. The day will take place on Saturday 10 June 2017 at Ushaw College, Durham, DH7 9RH from 10.30am to 3.30pm. Lunch is provided, kindly sponsored by Walker and Morrell Funeral Directors. There is no charge for the day but booking is essential, no later than Friday 2 June by calling 0191 243 3302 or [spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk)

**THE DIOCESAN DEPARTMENT FOR INTERRELIGIOUS RELATIONS** invites you to a joint Christian and Muslim event to pray for peace. It takes place at 1.30pm on Saturday 20 May at St Mary's Chapel, Reid Park Rd, Jesmond, followed by refreshments in Holy Name parish hall. (This event is for women and young children only). See poster for full details and contacts available on the diocesan website at <http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/communications/2017/may/prayforpeaceevent.pdf>

**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](http://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk) or visit the website at [www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.hexhamandnewcastlelourdespilgrimage.co.uk)

**LADYEWELL PILGRIMAGE** There will be a pilgrimage to the ancient shrine of Ladyewell situated in Fulwood, Preston on Saturday 24 June 2017. The cost is £20 and participants should take along a packed lunch and a rosary. For more details contact Jose Blay on 0191 267 8693 or visit the website at <http://ladyewellshrine.co.uk/>

**CELEBRATION of MARRIAGE** Bishop Séamus will celebrate Mass in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 10 June at 11.00am to give thanks for the Sacrament of Marriage. He has invited each parish community to be represented by at least two couples, young or old, newly married or celebrating a significant anniversary. In addition, everyone is welcome to attend. This promises to be a wonderful celebration providing affirmation and support for Marriage across the diocese and the wider North-East community.

**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](mailto:admin@ymt.org) Details also on YMT website [www.ymt.org](http://www.ymt.org)

**A PEER SUPPORT GROUP** for those with mental health concerns, anxiety or depression, is running in Newcastle at Brunswick Methodist Church, Brunswick Place, Newcastle, NE1 7BJ every Thursday evening from 7pm to 8.30pm. This project is underpinned by the Methodist Church and offers a safe space to share without being judged. Be heard, respected and accepted, and receive peer support to help you work through mental health concerns. Please see the poster at the back of church or visit [www.peertalk.org.uk](http://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 11 May** 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.