

"My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus, the last will be first, and the first, last. Matthew 20:13-16

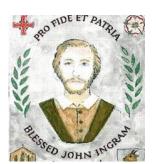
NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF IMMACULATE HEART of MARY = LOBLEY HILL ST MARY = WHICKHAM and ST PHILIP NERI = DUNSTON

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The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be available in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am − 2pm and Wednesday 11am − 3pm ☎ 0191 460 4274 ☒ stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk

Sunday 24 September 2017

Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year

Year A

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 23 September St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Vigil Mass5.30pm St Philip NeriChristopher Daunt (dec.)Sunday 24 September9.30am St MaryPeople of the ParishTwenty Fifth Sunday of the Year11.00am Immaculate HeartMaria Foy (dec.)

Monday 25 September 9.15am Immaculate Heart Service of the Word and Holy Communion

Tuesday 26 September 6.30pm Immaculate Heart Priests Intention

Wednesday 27 September St Vincent de Paul 10.00am St Philip Neri St Philip Neri School Mass

Thursday 28 September 9.30am St Mary George & Margaret Porteous (ann.)

Friday 29 September SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael 10.00am St Mary May Stephenson (dec.)

Saturday 30 September St Jerome

Vigil Mass5.30pm St Philip NeriMichael Almond (dec.)Sunday 1 October9.30am St MaryAlbert Drummond (dec.)Twenty Sixth Sunday of the Year11.00am Immaculate HeartPeople of the Parish

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



This Sunday we welcome into the Family of the Church Conor Patrick O'Hara who is being baptised at St Mary, Whickham

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Marjorie Gray, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Christine Taylor, Terry Gardner, Alan Crame, Pauline Mulholland, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Peter McLoughlin, 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, Kathleen Buxton, Adrian Devlin, Liz McKenna, Fr Michael Conaty.

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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – HELP NEEDED We are greatly in need of volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy at Immaculate Heart church as we currently have only two volunteers continuing this year. No experience is necessary and there is no age limit. Children's liturgy leaders work in pairs for about 30 minutes prior to the Offertory during Sunday Mass with young children (approx. 3 to 8 years). Resources will be provided. If you are interested, please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk Until we recruit more volunteers we may not be able to have Children's Liturgy every week so please check for notices on the entrance to the weekday chapel.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2017/2018 If you have registered your child to prepare to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2018 you should have received details of the initial meeting for parents/carers this Tuesday 26 September at 5pm in St Mary's Primary School, Whickham. St Philip Neri Primary School, Dunston will be holding their initial meeting for parents/carers on Friday 6 October at 3.30pm in the school. Depending on where your child will be celebrating their First Holy Communion next year, please attend one of the initial meetings as it will be an opportunity to discuss in more detail the catechesis process and a chance to ask any questions that you may have.

ST MARY'S RED MISSION BOXES are now due to be emptied. Please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 15 October.

SENIOR MOMENTS A planning meeting for volunteers will be held this Monday 25 September at 2pm at Immaculate Heart church. The next Senior Moments is Wednesday October 4 at 11.30am. All welcome for lunch, chat and entertainment!

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING On Friday 29th September, The Friends of St Mary's will be hosting and taking part in the World's Biggest Coffee Morning with all donations going to Macmillan Cancer Support. Invitation is open to everyone, so please bring friends and family along and join us in the school hall from 9am to 10.30am for a cuppa and a slice of cake. We are asking you to lend your support by baking or buying a cake to sell on the day; you can find plenty of ideas and inspiration at www.coffee.macmillan.org.uk We look forward to seeing as many people as possible on the day.

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Our Lady of Lourdes Church at Chopwell will be running an RCIA programme which commences this Wednesday 27 September starting at 7pm. St Patrick's Church in Felling will also be running a programme which commences on Tuesday 3 October at 7pm. If you are interested in either of these programmes please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart for further information, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk

CONGRATULATIONS to St Thomas More School, Blaydon on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary. Bishop Séamus will preside at a Mass of Thanksgiving at the School this Wednesday 27 September at 7pm.

THE SOURCE The next *Source* for young people in School Year 9 and above is on Wednesday 4 October at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. All students are encouraged to attend especially those who attended the Summer Festival. The Source dates for this year are 4 October 2017, 6 December 2017, 7 February 2018 and 7 March 2018. This has been reduced to four evenings this year as numbers have been dropping especially at exam times and this might allow schools and parishes to focus on the four nights and bring a larger group who could, hopefully, commit to the event. For further information please contact mary.hughes@ymt.org.

YOUTH SUNDAY PREPARATION An afternoon to prepare for Youth Sunday will take place at St Joseph's Academy, Hebburn on Sunday 8 October from 3.00pm to 5.15pm. This year's theme is 'YES' inviting us to reflect on how Mary, as a young person, had the faith and courage to say 'Yes' to what God was calling her to do. Each church is invited to be represented by adults and young people (Year 9 and above). Booking forms are in parishes now. If you would like to attend please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart for further information, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk Booking forms are also available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

JOHN PAUL II AWARDS 2017/2018 If you or someone you know is aged 16 to 18 and would like to have your voluntary work in the community and your parish work recognised then this is the award for you. Over the next year you can achieve Bronze, Silver or Gold certificate. For further information please contact Christine by text on 07957 810471 or email angelrays14@hotmail.co.uk

YOUTH MINISTRY MODULE Adults who work with young people or have an interest in youth ministry are invited to take the CCRS module in youth ministry as a stand-alone module. The course covers the theology and principles of youth ministry, an understanding of faith development, a variety of approaches to working with young people and a great opportunity to share ideas and good practice in parishes and partnerships. It takes place over two Saturdays 30th September and 28th October at the Emmaus Youth Village. If you are interested, please tel. 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

JOB VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE 1) Cathedral Outreach Co-ordinator at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract. 2) Children's Ministry Co-ordinator at Durham Martyrs, full-time, 3 year fixed term contract. 3) Administrator at St Joseph, Stanley, St Patrick, Dipton and The Sacred Heart, Byermoor, 10 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. 4) Cleaner at St Augustine, Darlington, 14 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. 5) Cleaner at St Anne, Sunderland, 3 hours per week, 12 month fixed term contract. 6) Director of Operations at Youth Ministry Trust, to provide overall leadership to all its activities at the Emmaus (Youth) Village and across the Diocese, 30 hours per week, 2 year fixed term contract. For further information on any of these vacancies please visit www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact 0191 243 3301, email human.resources@diocesehn.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 (i.e. description of the event or notice, dates, times, contact person, links to further information) and either email to stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart by 10am on Thursday 28 September at the latest. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.