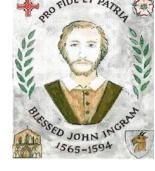


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Matthew 21:42-43

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

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Sunday 8 October 2017

**Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year** 

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## MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

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Saturday 7 October Our Lady of the Rosary Vigil Mass Sunday 8 October Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year Day of Prayer for prisoners and their dependants	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
	9.30am	St Mary	Edward & Mary O'Rourke (ann.)
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Bob Andison (dec.)
Monday 9 October Tuesday 10 October <i>St Paulinus of York</i> Wednesday 11 October Thursday 12 October <i>St Wilfrid</i> Friday 13 October	9.15am 6.30pm 9.30am 10.00am	Immaculate Heart Immaculate Heart St Philip Neri St Mary St Mary	Service of the Word and Holy Communion Service of the Word and Holy Communion No Service Oliver Gabriel Roberts (ann.) John & Elizabeth Arnold (ann.)
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	9.30am	St Mary	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	William & Lilian Keating (ann.)

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.05pm – 5.20pm Friday at St Mary 9.40am – 9.55am



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 9.30am at St Mary

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.

Please note that if you or any member of your family are going into hospital and would like to see the Chaplain, please ask a member of the ward staff to let the Catholic Chaplain know.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Please pray for Fr Michael Conaty who died recently. Fr Michael's body will be received into St Anthony of Padua church, Walker, Newcastle on Thursday 12 October at 7pm and Mass will be celebrated. His Requiem Mass will be on Friday 13 October at 12.05pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle followed by burial at Heaton Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Amen.

MISSIONARY APPEAL This weekend 7/8 October we are very pleased to welcome Fr Rob Morland SMA, who will be celebrating all Masses and making an appeal on behalf of the Society of African Missions - please be generous!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – HELP NEEDED We are 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 <a href="mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk">stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</a> 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.

**RED MISSION BOXES** are now due to be emptied for both St Mary and St Philip Neri. For St Mary please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 15 October. For St Philip Neri please could all monies be brought into church during the month of October.

WISH TOKENS It's that time of year again, the Chronicle will be starting to print their wish tokens each day from 11 October through to January 2018 so can we ask you to help HCPT GROUP 41 again this year. Collection boxes will be placed at the back of church. Last year's effort was excellent so let's give it our best shot again this time. Thank you.

**CHRISTMAS PIETY STALL** A selection of good quality Christmas cards, calendars and other Christmas piety items are now available to buy at the back of Immaculate Heart Church.

**ST ANNE'S CHURCH LADIES GUILD** St Anne's Ladies' Guild meet in the parish hall (Rokeby View, Gateshead NE9 7UD) from 8pm to 10pm on a Monday evening to enjoy supper, games, knit and natter sessions and would like to extend the invitation. For further information please contact Ann Bains, Tel. 0191 435 7388.

**PARTNERSHIP MATTERS** The latest edition of the bi-monthly news update on Partnerships is now available on the front page of the diocesan website: <a href="www.rcdhn.org.uk">www.rcdhn.org.uk</a>. It includes information on Developing Discipleship, Communications and a feature from Blackfriars Partnership. Contributions of news items from Partnerships are always welcome.

YOUTH SUNDAY PREPARATION An afternoon to prepare for Youth Sunday will take place at St Joseph's Academy, Hebburn this 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 <a href="mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk">stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</a> Booking forms are also available from the Youth Ministry Team on 01207 592244 or <a href="mailto:admin@ymt.org">admin@ymt.org</a>

**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

**'ON FIRE' CONFIRMATION RETREAT** Booking is now open for this year's Confirmation Retreat at the Youth Village from 13 to 14 October. Bookings are also open for 20 to 21 April 2018. For further information or to request a booking form please contact Mary.hughes@ymt.org

**A CHURCH WITHOUT PRIESTS?** A lecture given by Professor Werner Jeanrond, Master of St Benet's Hall at Oxford University on 'A Church without Priests? - The need for new forms of leadership in the Catholic Church' will be held at Holy Name Church, Jesmond on Thursday 26 October at 7pm. Professor Werner Jeanrond is one of the most important theologians working in Britain today and has taught in several European countries. Professor Jeanrond believes the renewal of our Church requires a radical rethinking of ministry.

**ST ANTONY'S PRIORY** *Together in Meditation.* Two separate hours of meditation rooted in the Christian tradition will be held on Saturday 14 October at 10am and 11.30am. Come to either or both at St Antony's Priory, 74 Claypath, Durham DH1 1QT tel. 0191 384 3747, email info@stantonyspriory.co.uk

A PASTORAL DAY WITH BILL HUEBSCH On Thursday 26 October, Bill Huebsch, an internationally renowned theologian, catechist and writer, will be visiting the Diocese and leading a day on his most recent book, "The Art of Accompaniment." In this pastoral workshop Bill will help us explore Pope Francis' frequent proposals that the Church needs to be open and trained so that we can accompany people from all walks of life on their faith journeys – from the very earliest steps through to major discernment about life choices. You are invited to consider making use of this great opportunity to hear Bill speak – share ideas with others – and, feel enthused about exploring these ideas further. There is no charge for the day but should you wish to have a light lunch there is a charge of £10. Lunch bookings must be made in advance, and payment will be collected at the point of registration on the day by diocesan staff. The day will run from 10.30am to 4.00pm at the Sunderland Marriott Hotel, Sunderland. Booking is essential and can be made by contacting the Diocesan Department for Spirituality tel. 0191 243 3302 email spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk

THE PIVOTAL PLAYER A series of talks by Bishop Robert Barron reflecting on the life and work of some of the Church's most influential people are being shown on DVD at St Patrick's Parish Centre in Felling on a Monday evening from 6.30pm to 8pm. This will commence on Monday 30 October and admission is free. In these DVDs you will discover the places where St Thomas Aquinas lived, learned, and wrote. Visit the countryside where St Francis gathered a group of friars and revived the Church. See the places where St Catherine of Siena ministered and prayed. Trek through England to where Blessed John Henry Newman and GK Chesterton left their mark and sparked an English Catholic revival and, through unprecedented HD footage, marvel at the extraordinary art of Michelangelo, from his David statue in Florence, to the Pietà at St. Peter's and to the Sistine Chapel.

DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVERS MASS Bishop Séamus will celebrate the annual Diocesan Guild of St Stephen Altar Servers Mass on Saturday 4 November at 11am at St Mary's Cathedral. Servers are asked to wear an alb or cassock and cotta and the Guild medal. Parishioners and parents are most welcome to join in this celebration of dedicated service to the Altar. Any altar server wishing to attend please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart by Tuesday 10 October, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email <a href="mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk">stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</a>

CELEBRATE The *Celebrate* Conference will take place on Saturday 4 November 2017 from 9am to 8.30pm and Sunday 5 November from 9am to 3pm and will be held at St Joseph's Academy, Mill Lane, Hebburn NE31 2ET. Speakers include Fr Dermott Donnelly, Founder of YMT, Chair of CYMFed, and Dean of the Cathedral in Newcastle and Drew Fava who is an internationally renowned speaker and teacher. Drew is a member of Cor et Lumen Christi community in Wigton, Cumbria. There are streams for young people and children of all ages led by experienced leaders running a programme of relevant and fun activities. The weekend also includes lively praise, daily Mass, time for adoration and an opportunity for Reconciliation and Prayer Ministry. There is a varied programme of workshops on both days. Families are particularly welcome but you are equally welcome whatever your age or circumstances. Booking is essential and it is recommended that you book early. The cost for adults is £30.00, young people (4-21 + Full time education) £10.00 and children (0-3) FREE. All prices include an evening meal for the Saturday evening. For further information please visit www.celebrateconference.org where booking forms can be downloaded or email. northeast@celebrateconference.org

**A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS** A Service for those who mourn the loss of a child is being held at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle on Sunday 5 November 2017 at 3pm. All are welcome.

JOB VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE 1. Administrator, Department for Adult Formation and Evangelisation, full time, fixed term contract until Aug 2019. 2. HR Administrator, Department for Finance, 15 hours per week. For further information on either of these vacancies please visit <a href="www.rcdhn.org.uk">www.rcdhn.org.uk</a> 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 <a href="mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk">stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</a> or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart by 10am on Thursday 12 October at the latest. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

First Reading Isaiah 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. Any now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plan. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 79:9. 12-16. 19-20 R/ Is 5:7

Response: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

- You brought a vine out of Egypt;
   to plant it you drove out the nations.
   It stretched out its branches to the sea,
   to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.
- Then why have you broken down its walls?
   It is plucked by all who pass by.
   It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
   devoured by the beasts of the field.
- God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.
   Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.
- 4. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Second Reading Philippians 4:6-9

The God of peace will be with you.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 15:15

Alleluia, alleluia! I will call you friend, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:33-43

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

He will lease the vineyard to other tenants.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's dong and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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