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Matthew 22:1-4

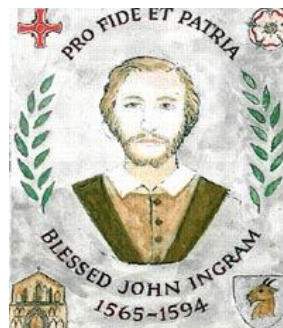
NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF
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Sunday 15 October 2017

Twenty Eighth Sunday of the Year

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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 14 October

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri Allan Smith (dec.)

Sunday 15 October

9.30am St Mary People of the Parish

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11.00am Immaculate Heart William & Lilian Keating (ann.)

Monday 16 October

9.15am Immaculate Heart *Service of the Word and Holy Communion*

Tuesday 17 October *St Ignatius of Antioch*

10.00am St Philip Neri Requiem Mass – Bernard Sloan

Wednesday 18 October *St Luke, Evangelist*

9.30am St Philip Neri Private Intention

Thursday 19 October

12.30pm St Mary Requiem Mass – Mary Evelyn Moyle

Friday 20 October

10.00am St Mary Joe Welsh (dec.)

Saturday 21 October

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri Christopher & Margaret Daunt (dec.)

Sunday 22 October

9.30am St Mary Mary & Michael Bradshaw (ann.)

Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year

11.00am Immaculate Heart People of the Parish

World Mission Sunday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.05pm – 5.20pm



Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 9.00am at St Philip Neri

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 members 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 remember in your prayers Bernard Sloan who died recently and whose Requiem Mass will be at St Philip Neri church on Tuesday 17 October at 10am followed by burial at Saltwell Cemetery, Gateshead. Please also remember Mary Evelyn Moyle who has died and whose Requiem Mass will be at St Mary's church on Thursday 19 October at 12.30pm followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium, Gateshead. May they rest in peace. Amen.

SOCIETY OF AFRICAN MISSIONS a big thank you to all parishioners for welcoming Fr Rob Morland SMA into our parishes last weekend. Your generosity raised £1147.24 for the Society of African Missions.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is next Sunday 22 October and there will be a retiring collection at all Masses. This year's World Mission Sunday campaign encourages the faithful of England and Wales to '*help bring peace to South Sudan.*' There are envelopes available at the back of church today which you are invited to take home and return next weekend with your donation. Thank you.

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 today 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.

SERVICE OF LIGHT The annual Service of Light, to remember all who have died this year in the Gateshead hospitals, will be held at St Mary Church, Whickham on Sunday 19 November 2017 at 3pm. All are welcome.

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 and St Philip Neri.

ST ANNE'S CHURCH LADIES GUILD St Anne's Ladies Guild meets 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.

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 open for the Confirmation Retreat at the Youth Village which is to be held from 20 to 21 April 2018. For further information or to request a booking form please contact Mary.hughes@ymt.org

USHAW LECTURE SERIES '*The cause Thereof...*' *Speculation about why the Reformation took root in England.* A lecture given by the Rt Hon. the Lord Roy Hattersley, PC FRSL, author of 'The Catholics' (copies available to purchase on the night). Date and venue: Monday 16 October, drinks reception 5.30pm, lecture 6pm - 7.15pm in the Exhibition Hall, Ushaw College, Durham DH7 9RH. All are welcome but registration is required – to book a place please register online at <http://centreforcatholicstudies.eventbrite.com/> or telephone Jane on 0191 334 1656.

FROM CONFLICT TO COMMUNION: STILL REFORMING? An Ecumenical Study Day to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation concentrating on what the Church of today can learn from the Reformation, including contributions from John Derry, Colin Carr OP and Thomas Jantzen. Date and venue: Brunswick Methodist Church, Brunswick Place, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7BJ, on Saturday 21 October 2pm – 5.15pm. All are welcome – please contact janeteappleby@yahoo.com if you intend to attend.

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, Queens Parade, Sunderland, SR6 8DB. Booking is essential and can be made by contacting the Diocesan Department for Spirituality tel. 0191 243 3302 email spirituality@diocesehn.org.uk

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, 7 North Jesmond Avenue, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 3JX 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 *The Love of Mary Magdalene.* In this workshop we will consider together who Mary Magdalene really was and why she has been marginalised and misrepresented by the tradition church. We will also explore how we devalue and belittle ourselves and how understanding the Archetype of the Magdalene can help us to reclaim our rightful place as women of power and grace. This day is for women only and will be held on Saturday 21 October from 10.30am to 3pm at St Antony's Priory, 74 Claypath, Durham DH1 1QT tel. 0191 384 3747, email info@stantonyspriory.co.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 is 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 G. K. 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, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk

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.

ST HILDA'S DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE is reaching out to any house bound people in the area or Partnership to form an adult colour club and/or a reading club to borrow, read and share. They are looking for bookcases, medium sized church/school benches, donations of the programme 'Catholic Alpha' on DVD, volunteers to ticket and sort books and welcome people who call in to use the facilities. St Hilda's facilities include *The Milburn Room* which holds old reference books which can be viewed by private appointment by anyone wishing to carry out any research. For further information, please contact Pat Kennedy on 0191 243 3313, email pat.kennedy@diocesehn.org.uk

JOB VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE 1. Administrator, Department for Adult Formation and Evangelisation, full time, fixed term contract until Aug 2019 (closing date for applications is 16 October). 2. HR Administrator, Department for Finance, 15 hours per week. For further information on either 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 19 October at the latest.** Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

First Reading*Isaiah 25:6-10*

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all people, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Ps. 22. R/ v.6*

Response: In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

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| <p>1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.</p> | <p>3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.</p> |
| <p>2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.</p> | <p>4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.</p> |

Second Reading*Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20*

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 1:12. 14*

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading*Matthew 22:1-14*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murdered and burnt their town. Then he said to the servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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

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