

"I will make you into fishers of men." Mark 1:18

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

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Sunday 21 January 2018

Third Sunday of the Year

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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 20 January

Vigil Mass 5.30pm St Philip Neri People of the Parish

Sunday 21 January 9.30am St Mary Trish & Mary Primmit (dec.)

Third Sunday of the Year 11.00am Immaculate Heart Private Intention (AC)

Weekday Readings at Mass - Ordinary Time, Week 3, Year 2

Monday 22 January 9.15am Immaculate Heart Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 23 January Immaculate Heart Requiem Mass for Kathleen Mary Johnson

Wednesday 24 January *st Francis de Sales* 10.00am St Philip Neri Priest's Intention

12.00 noon St Mary Unity Octave Service

Thursday 25 January *The Conversion of St Paul* 11.00am St Philip Neri Requiem Mass for Mary Ellen Place Friday 26 January *ss Timothy and Titus* 10.00am St Mary Edward & Mary Arnold (dec.)

Saturday 27 January

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri Michael Almond (dec.)

Sunday 28 January

9.30am St Mary People of the Parish

Fourth Sunday of the Year

11.00am Immaculate Heart Bob Payne (first ann.)

Day of Special Prayer for Racial Justice

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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



Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 9.30am at St Philip Neri 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, Pauline Mulholland, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Peter McLoughlin, Isaac Dawson, Ray Deponio, Astrid Muse (Gower), Ann Camozzi, Lesley Gough, Susan Walker, Kai Thompson, Monica Meaney, Tammie Blair, Winn Brooks, Helen Bain, Kathleen Buxton, Liz McKenna, Fr Jim Doherty, Bernard Lyons, Mary Orr, Geoff Taylor.

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. For the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, you can contact the Chaplaincy Department Office directly tel. 0191 445 2072.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please remember in your prayers Kathleen Mary Johnson, Mary Ellen Place and Mary Theresa Webster who have died recently. The Requiem Mass for Kathleen Mary Johnson will be at 10.00am at Immaculate Heart Church on Tuesday 23 January followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. The Requiem Mass for Mary Ellen Place will be at 11.00am at St Philip Neri Church on Thursday 25 January followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. The Requiem Mass for Mary Theresa Webster will be at 10.00am at St Mary's Church on Thursday 1 February followed by burial at Garden House Cemetery. May they rest in peace. Amen.

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18 – 25 JANUARY 2018 Services will be held in the various Whickham Churches at the following times:

Monday 22 January, 12 noon at St Mary's Church of England Church.

Tuesday 23 January, 12 noon at Fellside Methodist Church.

Wednesday 24 January, 12 noon at St Mary's RC Church.

Thursday 25th January, 10am Coffee, 11.30am Service at Spoor Methodist Church.

Information and resources for the 2018 Unity Octave have been provided by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and are available on their website www.ctbi.org.uk

RED MISSION BOXES at St Mary are now due to be emptied. Please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 28th January. Red Mission boxes at Immaculate Heart are also now due to be emptied. Please could all monies be brought into Church by the end of January. Lilian Gray has now taken over the responsibility for coordinating the Red Mission boxes at Immaculate Heart from Dorothy Simmons. Thank you to Dorothy for all her work over the years and to Lilian for agreeing to take over this role.

WISH TOKENS *The Chronicle* has now finished printing the wish tokens. Please can all tokens be returned by Sunday 28 January at the latest. Thank you.

ANGEL TREE APPEAL We have received a letter from Tony Nicholson of Gateshead Council expressing sincere thanks and gratitude for an overwhelming year for the annual Angel Tree Appeal. A copy of the letter is at the back of each church for all to read.

QUIET TIME BEFORE MASS - Just a reminder A bell will be rung a few minutes before the beginning of Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses to encourage us to observe a short period of quiet reflection and so better prepare ourselves for the great mystery we celebrate in the Eucharist.

PROPOSAL TO FORMALLY AMALGAMATE OUR THREE

PARISHES In many respects, for over six years now, our three parishes have been worshipping and working together effectively as one parish e.g. one parish priest, one parish council, one finance committee, centralised administration, joint events. Within the context of the new Partnerships that have been established throughout the diocese, and with particular reference to our own Partnership (John Ingram), and following discussions at our parish council and finance committee meetings, it has been decided to begin the initial process to consider the formal amalgamation of our three parishes. This process, which is primarily intended to foster unity and community, will be undertaken with reference to new guidelines produced by the diocese and, of course, will include full consultation with all parishioners before any final decision can be made.

In accordance with the new guidelines, the initial stage of this process will be a short presentation outlining the rationale for the amalgamation which will be made to the John Ingram Partnership Development Group Meeting at the end of January. Should you wish to have further information or to ask any questions about this proposed amalgamation, please contact Katie Wilkinson, Parish Council Chair, on 07837 386760 or email teachkate1@gmail.com

FAITH AND MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT We have received in the parish office the diocesan programme for Adult Formation and Evangelisation for January to July 2018. The directory intends to communicate the opportunities that are available across the diocese for individuals and groups to grow. If you would like to view this booklet, which outlines the full programme of courses, we have a small number of these available in the parish office. Please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart for further information, tel. 0191 460 4274 email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or Alternatively, for further information, you can visit the Diocesan Departments/Evangelisation and Formation pages of the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk or email adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL EVENING - 'The Power of Music' In the presence of Bishop Séamus, Mr Simon Wallfisch will tell the story of his Grandmother, Anita Lasker-Wallfisch, a survivor of Auschwitz and Belsen. This Memorial Evening will be held at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road, Longbenton, Newcastle, NE7 7PE on Tuesday 23 January at 7pm. For further information please contact Mr Graham Wilkins tel. 07929 115 712,

email interreligiousrelations@diocesehn.org.uk

For further information about the Holocaust Memorial Day 2018, please visit the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust website www.hmd.org.uk

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD STUDY DAY This study day will cover the fundamentals of the Children's Liturgy of the Word and will be held at St Hilda's Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY on Saturday 3 February 2018 from 10.30am to 3.30pm with registration and refreshments from 10am. Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. The cost is £5 per person and a booking form is displayed at the back of each church for anyone wishing to attend. For further information please contact the Department for Liturgy tel. 0191 243 3312, email. liturgy@diocesehn.org.uk

SVP VINCENTIAN CONCERN MAGAZINE is offering free copies of the three editions of the magazine scheduled for publication in 2018. If you would like to receive these, an order form is available in the parish office please contact the parish secretary at Immaculate Heart for further information, tel. 0191 460 4274 or email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk Alternatively, if you would prefer to receive a copy of the magazine by email, in pdf format, please send your details to comms@svp.org.uk with the subject heading "Free VC."

EVENTS AT MINSTERACRES - *Walking Retreat* Enjoy a walk of seven to ten miles through the beautiful countryside around Minsteracres, with time for prayer, reflection and sharing of the beauty of creation. You will need suitable walking boots and warm, weatherproof clothing. Please bring a packed lunch. This walking retreat will take place on Wednesday 21 February 2018 from 10am to 5pm. The walk will be led by the Minsteracres team. There is a suggested donation of £10. For further information and to book please visit the Minsteracres website:

http://www.minsteracres.org/retreats/walking-retreat

PEACE SUNDAY Last Sunday was Peace Sunday and the Justice and Peace Group at Sacred Heart Church, North Gosforth have kindly shared the following International Peace Prayer:

Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead use from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Peace, Peace. 2018 ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY Do you have any spare time this new year? The Alzheimer's Society is currently looking to recruit volunteers, who would be willing to spend time with people with dementia and or their carers to offer companionship and provide support, enabling people to maintain hobbies and interests and inclusion in social events. The volunteers would be supported by the Befriending Manager. For further information or a copy of the full role description please tel. 0191 477 7490 or email angela.todd@alzheimers.org.uk

THE GALILEE TALKS resume at St Mary's Church, Hencotes, Hexham NE46 2EB on Saturday 27 January with a return visit from Sr. Gemma Simmonds who is a theologian broadcaster and sister of the Congregation of Jesus. The talk is entitled 'The Hope That is Within You' and will look at her profound belief that 'we find our heart's desire by giving it away, by letting go.' Refreshments will be served from 10:30am, with the talk itself starting at 11:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend. For further information please visit www.stmaryshexham.org.uk

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please type or write the item with as much detail as possible (i.e. description of the event or notice, dates, times, venue, 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 25 January at the latest. Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5. 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24:4-9. R/ v.4

Response: Lord, make me know your ways.

- Lord, make me know your ways.
 Lord, teach me your paths.
 Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour.
- Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me. because of your goodness, O Lord.
- The Lord is good and upright.
 He shows the path to those who stray,
 He guides the humble in the right path,
 He teaches his way to the poor.

Second Reading

I Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is close at hand: believe the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:14-20

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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